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Public invited, encouraged to participate

NKAPC is inviting the public to participate in "Direction 2030: Your Voice, Your Choice," the planning process that will craft a new comprehensive plan for Kenton County.

A series of public meetings is scheduled for members of the public – including residents, builders, developers, business owners and operators, and others – to offer input on the Comprehensive Plan, a policy and planning document that is designed to guide the development and growth in Kenton County over the next 20 years.

The first public engagement meeting is scheduled for Wednesday, Oct. 26, at Dixie Heights High School in Crestview Hills from 5:30 p.m. to 7:30 p.m.

“NKAPC is in the process of developing a new comprehensive plan that will provide policy and direction for future zoning and land-use decisions,” said Keith Logsdon, NKAPC’s Deputy Director for Long Range Planning. “An effective comprehensive plan starts with strong public participation, which in turn establishes a foundation that represents the interests of the entire community.”

“Direction 2030 will help develop the framework for important decisions that will guide community’s future,” Logsdon said. “This process will serve the community by analyzing community needs, collecting citizen input, crafting plans to address those needs, and helping to ensure a more prosperous, safer tomorrow.”

NKAPC, which is celebrating its 50th anniversary this year, works with 20 local governments in Kenton County. The Comprehensive Plan is an important tool in helping to make Kenton County a more livable and prosperous community over the next two decades. Since the county's first Comprehensive Plan was completed in 1972, only minor updates have been made. Direction 2030 will help to create an entirely new plan for the county.

The first phase of the process to develop a new comprehensive plan will be to address the goals and objectives that reflect the community's wishes regarding land-use, housing, and transportation needs.

“Since public input is crucial to this process and will serve as a foundation of the entire plan, citizens will have a key ownership role in creating this important roadmap for the future of Kenton County,” Logsdon said.

Direction 2030: Your Voice, Your Choice will be a strong public-engagement plan that prepares Kenton County for the challenges and the possibilities of the next 20 years. The public meetings are being held at locations throughout the county — including urban, suburban, and rural areas — to elicit input from all neighborhoods and communities within the county itself.