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Taylorsville Updates 10 Year Strategic Plan

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Taylorsville elected officials and staff are beginning their revision of the Strategic Plan. On November 10, they will meet with the public and assess needs to prioritize goals for 2013.

“This is an annual event when we update our 10 year plan,” said Community Development Director Mark McGrath. “We discuss the vision for the city and nail down specific goals.”

McGrath said those in attendance will have a voice to determine future projects and the direction of the city. Although funds were tight this year, McGrath highlighted some of the accomplishments from 2012 during the city council work session Wednesday night. Those included improving communication with residents and businesses, improving weed abatement, building a community garden east of City Hall, studying the destabilization of neighborhoods and how to improve them, dedicating the Veterans Memorial, increasing public safety resources by joining Unified Police Department, encouraging volunteerism, completing the rebuild of 1300 West, and focusing on six commercial areas for economic development.

The Strategic Plan document aids elected officials when they make budgetary decisions. According to City Council Chair Jerry Rechtenbach, the document plays an especially important role come May and June when the city budget is discussed. “We (the city council) do not fund items unless they meet specific goals in our city’s Strategic Plan,” said Rechtenbach.

The public is welcome to attend the meeting, which begins at 8 a.m. and is expected to end around noon. The meeting will be held in the Taylorsville City Council Chambers - 2600 W. Taylorsville Blvd. Those wishing to attend are requested to RSVP to anewton@taylorsvilleut.gov.

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