

# Wednesday, September 12, 2012 Starting at 5:30pm

To be held at The Lt. Col Matt Urban Human Services Center of W.N.Y., 1081 Broadway

#### 1) Welcome and Introductions

#### 2) Review minutes

### 3) New Business

From the <u>Buffalo Green Code</u>: A Draft Zoning Ordinance is in the Works! Over the past two years the Mayor's Office of Strategic Planning, its consultant team, and the community have been diligently working on the Buffalo Green Code. This past June, over 400 residents attended neighborhood open houses, providing significant input for the new Unified Development Ordinance (UDO). Based upon this input and the thousands of comments received prior to these meetings, our consultants have been busy preparing a draft of the UDO, and we are now ready to start reviewing the details.

We are inviting community stakeholders to work with us over the next month and a half to thoroughly study the draft UDO. We want volunteers to help us identify and smooth out rough edges, and discuss policy concepts in the code in detail.

We are forming groups to study ten subject areas in the code:

- Neighborhoods
- Retail strips and centers
- Industrial and office sites
- Medical and educational campuses
- Open spaces and the waterfront

- Streets, parking, and access
- The environment
- Signs
- Uses
  - Code Administration

If you have interest or experience in any of these topics, and would like to review materials, provide written comments, and participate in a follow-up session with other stakeholders, please contact Christine Giambra from the Mayor's Office of Strategic Planning at cgiambra @city-buffalo.com or 851-4012 by Friday, September 14. Thanks! We look forward to working with you.

### 4) Implementation Updates

Implementation Related to Neighborhood Planning, from published reports and ongoing initiatives:

- Seneca Babcock
  - 125<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Party for Seneca Street Church on 9/23/12, 1-3pm
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Kaisertown, Lovejoy

City plans infrastructure upgrades, see attached Buffalo News article, "Lovejoy Area to Get Lights, Streetscapes"

- Broadway Fillmore
  - Wilson Street Urban Farm Mark/Janice Stevens
  - Broadway Market and vicinity
    - Broadway Fillmore Alive! Announces the Alive Project, "a proactive way to get a good handle on the condition and status of buildings"; see: http://broadwayfillmorealive.org/2.0/2012/09/introducing-the-alive-project
    - Councilman Franczyk's office, BFNHS/HomeFront and the Fillmore District Impact Team planted flower beds
    - Proposal Announced for 998 Broadway: "Tech Training Program Parks at Sattler's Building," see: http://www.bizjournals .com/buffalo/print-edition/2012/08/24/tech-training-program-parks-at.html (source: *Broadway Fillmore Alive!*)
  - South Fillmore Avenue Block Club Update
  - Central Terminal Restoration Corp. Appoints Marilyn Rodgers Executive Director, see: http://buffalocentralterminal.org/
  - 2012/08/central-terminal-restoration-corporation-appoints-executive-director-officers-elected/
- Emerson
  - Concordia Cemetery
  - St. Luke's Gospa Village was featured in a *Buffalo News* article, "St. Luke's Complex to Add Housing for Single Mothers" and other local media, see: http://www.buffalonews.com/article/20120904/CITYANDREGION/120909925
  - The HOPE Center at Lt. Col Matt Urban Human Services Center of W.N.Y. announces NYS Homeless Housing Assistance Program approved \$3.6 Million for the construction of Hope Gardens - a 20 unit apartment building for chronically homeless women

# 5) Old Business

Update from Matt Urban Center Update from Broadway Fillmore Neighborhood Housing Services – John Murphy Problem Property Priorities Status of Monitoring of Planning Board, Preservation Board, Zoning Board & Council meetings

# 6) Next meeting(s) dates and topics

# 7) Upcoming events or announcements (Suggest yours by contacting bparke@city-buffalo.com)

The East Buffalo GNPA includes the following neighborhoods; Babcock, Broadway Fillmore, Emerson, Kaisertown & Lovejoy. East Buffalo GNPA is a neighborhood-based planning organization that seeks to actively involve citizens in the creation of action plans for their communities.