

City Launches Comprehensive Planning Process

What is a Comprehensive Plan?

It is a vision of what the City will be 10, 15 or 20 years in the future. It will compile policy statements, goals, standards, and maps for guiding the physical, social and economic development for Fairmont. It will include sections on growth, housing, recreation, infrastructure and business. Strategies for goal implementation will also be included.

The Comprehensive Plan reflects the community's collective vision and provides direction for the future development of the community. City officials, land owners and business developers will use the plan as a guide as they make decisions about development of the City. The most recent comprehensive plan for Fairmont was adopted in 2008 and needs updating.

Engineering/Planning Firm W.S.B. & Associates will assist with the process.

W.S.B. is a consulting firm *providing engineering, planning, design, and construction services*. They work with Cities to assist them in determining goals specific for their community and then identify realistic methods to achieve those goals. W.S.B.'s Jim Gromberg has more than 25 years of experience in Community Economic Development including working for state and local governments in attracting new business. Molly Patterson-Lundgren is a Land Use Planner with W.S.B. who specializes in downtown redevelopment and day to day planning and zoning. Jim and Molly will be leading a group from W.S.B. which will include experts in GIS mapping, housing, and engineering.

Steering Committee Kick Off

The City established a steering committee to collaborate with staff and WSB throughout the update process. They kicked off the first of several meetings on August 29th. If you were unable to attend but would still like an opportunity to be part of this committee, please let us know!

Public Involvement:

The "Popular Links" tab on the City website (<http://fairmont.org/>) will track the comprehensive planning process and provide notices of upcoming events and opportunities for the public to participate.

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