



COMPREHENSIVE LAND DEVELOPMENT PLAN

NOTES – QUALITY OF LIFE FOCUS GROUP

July 12, 2018
Brock Recreation Center
10:00am

Attendees: Phillip Sheldon - Davie County Intern, Paul Moore - Parks and Rec, Rich Maconochie – Lacrosse, Melanie Cook - Farmington Community College, Bruce White - Farmington Arts Studio, Sidniee Suggs - Davie County Arts Council, Marie Craig - Davie County Singing Seniors, History books, Scott W - Twin City Sport, NC Fusion

The meeting began at 11am with a brief overview of the Davie County Comprehensive Plan and the question, “What do you first think of when I say Davie County?” Answers included:

- Agriculture and History
- Lots of Green
- Solid but divided
- Ownership in Community
- Conservative and Good to Raise Children
- Slower Lifestyle
- Sense of Community
- “The island”
- isolated
- sense of heritage and family
- stubbornness
- dominant with athletics
- supportive
- strong ownership

Meeting attendees noted they would like to see a more inviting and aesthetic pace, increasing beautification. They also discussed the importance of understanding what the county stands for and how to collaborate with surrounding counties.

Questions were asked to address needs, gaps, and concerns and what additional partners should be involved. The questions and answers are provided below. Items with * were identified as important issues to focus on by all focus group members.

What should be added? What is needed? (E.g. programs, facilities, or policies?)

- Greenways
- More sidewalks, connectivity
- Bike lanes - none around, but big cycling community
- Cultural Arts - how to use facilities
- Master plan for nature park - connection from nature park to middle school
- Hiking Club at high school, encourage more outdoor activity
- Geocaching

- Cultural and Arts Enhancement, have issues with overlapping events, lack of promotion causes confusion
*coordination and promotion of arts
- *Communication between County and sports facilities
- Assistance from county to share events and art community news *Advertise from County side
- Comprehensive App - events, municipal news, contacts, sporting, etc.
- Museum

What should change?

- Green Features
- Communication between sports teams and recreation, underutilized facilities.
- Get Davie County involved with Twins, missing big economic opportunities

What other ideas or concerns do you have?

- Housing Demand - Open and Green space Requirement for subdivisions
- No money to do all of these big things
- Lack of maintenance, deferred maintenance
- Lack of security

What else do we need to consider?

- Meeting Space, larger space. Have to stagger meetings now.
- Attractive housing, nothing for millennials
- Make sure accessible access for Seniors, easy terrain to manage wheelchairs and walkers

What partners or institutions need to be involved to ensure success?

- Youth football league association, Angie York
- Davie Little League
- Torque Performance - Adam Barber, building facility next to twins
- Smith Grove community center
- Community centers - **underserved communities