

**MINUTES**

**KENTUCKIANA REGIONAL PLANNING AND DEVELOPMENT AGENCY (KIPDA)**

**REGIONAL PLANNING COUNCIL**

**MEETING CONDUCTED THROUGH ZOOM  
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**January 11, 2022**

The Regional Planning Council of the Kentuckiana Regional Planning and Development Agency met at 11:00 a.m. Tuesday, January 11, 2022, via Zoom video conference. Members in attendance were:

Mr. Ryan Libke, Planning and Zoning, Shelby County, Kentucky  
Mr. Craig Myatt, Road Engineer/Supervisor, Shelby County, Kentucky  
Mr. Keith Griffee, Chief Financial Officer, Bullitt County, Kentucky  
Ms. Julie Sweazy, Planning and Zoning, Spencer County, Kentucky  
Ms. Amy Alvey, Planning and Zoning, Oldham County, Kentucky  
Honorable Jerry Summers, Judge/Executive, Bullitt County, Kentucky  
Honorable Dan Ison, Judge/Executive, Shelby County, Kentucky  
Mr. Tony Mattingly, representing Mr. Mike King, Louisville Metro, Jefferson County, Kentucky

**OTHERS IN ATTENDANCE**

**REPRESENTING**

Danielle Story	KIPDA
Justin Carter	KIPDA
Rachael Miller	KIPDA
Hayden Kandul	KIPDA
Jennifer Wilson	KIPDA
Austin Dupré	Shelby County

**CALL TO ORDER**

Ms. Story called the meeting to order at 11:05 a.m.

## **COUNCIL MEMBER ROLL CALL**

Ms. Miller called roll. A quorum was present.

## **MINUTES FROM JULY 13, 2021**

Judge Ison moved to approve the minutes from the Tuesday, July 13, 2021, Regional Planning Council meeting. Ms. Alvey seconded. Motion carried unanimously on a voice vote.

## **KIPDA UPDATES**

Mr. Story stated that the KIPDA Community and Economic Development (CED) division has been hard at work on several projects in the region.

## **COUNTY QUARTERLY UPDATES**

### **BULLITT COUNTY**

Judge Summers stated that there are six major water projects on the books for 2022, including Cabin Hill and Roe Hill. A new medical center is going to be built and should be completed by Spring 2023. The county is also building two EMS/EMA emergency services facilities.

Mr. Griffee added that there are continual plans on road projects, especially Highway 44, and the county has been very busy.

### **JEFFERSON COUNTY**

Mr. Mattingly stated that the sustainability office is working on the new Solarize Louisville program. This program will work to help people access quality solar installers in the area. The sustainability office is accepting early access forms for those interested and is trying to get the word out about the program. There is a new plan for the entire county to switch over to electric vehicles for the Louisville Metro Government fleet, and the county plans to also install charger stations for those electric vehicles. The county is also analyzing plans and projects that can apply for and use funding from the recently passed infrastructure bill. Corridor plans and

master plans are underway, and neighborhood plans are also in the works, including the Shively long range plan.

### **OLDHAM COUNTY**

Ms. Alvey stated that the county is working on regulations for solar energy systems and solar farms. A planned neighborhood district zoning classification was recently passed, which will allow neighborhoods similar to Norton Commons. Single family housing permits are only up about 20%, but there is a decent increase in requests for multi-family housing permits. The county is working on several road projects and a new, 1,000-acre business park.

### **SHELBY COUNTY**

Judge Ison stated that the multimillion-dollar Highway 53 project is moving along. There will be approximately a billion dollars' worth of new industry coming into the county. The county is expecting many new projects that will bring many new jobs. There have been over 500 new housing permits approved. Shelby county is the second fastest growing county in the Commonwealth.

Mr. Myatt added that he is working on a list of roads that will be paved.

Mr. Libke added that industrial and commercial growth in the county is really taking off. There's also a newly proposed community development north of U.S. 60. Also, the school system is looking at a plan for growth, especially in the middle schools. Many of them are nearly at capacity, especially on the western side of the county.

### **SPENCER COUNTY**

Ms. Sweazy stated that lot inventory is at a minimum right now. Housing is booming, and there are several new developments in progress with many new developments already finished. The county has recently updated its subdivision regulations, and the cities will update their subdivision regulations next. The county is also working on updating its comprehensive plan.

### **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

Ms. Story gave an update on the activities in the Community and Economic Development (CED) division at KIPDA. The University of Louisville (UofL) will create a new program called “PRePARE”, which has three goals: (1) strengthen connections between UofL and community partners; (2) accelerate the development of technologies that mitigate pandemic-related economic, health, and safety risks; and (3) catalyze creation of new businesses or growth of existing businesses. PRePARE will solicit “lab-to-market” subprojects that address the Scaling Pandemic Resilience Through Innovation and Technology (SPRINT) Challenge goals and are responsive to specific, unmet needs identified by community partners. Applicant teams will be led by UofL researchers but must include a community partner from the 7-county KIPDA economic development district centered around Louisville.

Winning teams will receive grants worth up to \$75,000.00 for UofL-based, product-focused research and development subprojects plus project management and entrepreneurial support from our experienced program staff. These incentivized collaborations, between PRePARE staff, university researchers with relevant scientific or technical expertise, and community partners with real-world business insights, are expected to have lasting positive impacts on regional economic growth and community wellbeing. Target outputs/outcomes for this program include new projects, high-tech startups and jobs, and a more equitable and resilient economy.

The Build Back Better Regional Challenge is the marquee of the U.S. Economic Development Administration’s (EDA) American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA) programs that aim to boost economic recovery from the pandemic and rebuild American communities, including those grappling with decades of disinvestment. Phase 1 of this challenge will allocate \$500,000.00 to the winning team. The coalition led by the Louisville Healthcare CEO Council aims to establish the Louisville region as a national hub for digital healthcare by broadening the region’s artificial intelligence (AI) talent pipeline and supporting AI adoption in the healthcare sector. If provided an implementation grant, the coalition proposes to invest in; an innovation and learning center; workforce development with wraparound support; entrepreneurship, innovation, and commercialization programs; a Health Tech Applied Research Center, Tech Innovation Center, and Tech Learning Center as the region currently has no physical home for its existing tech training and incubation programs.

The two-phase competition will ultimately award 20-30 regional coalitions between \$25 and \$100 million to implement 3-8 projects that support an industry sector.

KIPDA CED division staff provided technical assistance on 61 projects totaling \$516,112,301.00, submitted funding requests for 58 projects totaling \$472,573,621.00, and received approval for 38 projects totaling \$33,133,781.00. Grant applications were submitted for all seven counties within the KIPDA region. Funding sources pursued included FEMA, AFG, Crumb Rudder, CDBG, CDBG-CV, LWCF, Senate Bill 36 (Cleaner Water Grant Program, and SRF. Some of the recently approved projects in the KIPDA region include:

- Weiland Project - \$100 million, 75 jobs
- Angels Envy Project - \$100 million, 80 jobs
- Hardy Creek
- Roe Hill
- CDBG-CV funded projects
- CEDS funded projects

The next Regional Hazard Mitigation Council meeting will be held on Wednesday, January 19, 2022, via Zoom video conference.

The next Regional Planning Council meeting will be held on Tuesday, April 12, 2022, at 11:00 a.m. via Zoom video conference.

### **OTHER BUSINESS**

Ms. Story stated that there was no other business to discuss.

### **PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD**

None.

### **ADJOURNMENT**

Ms. Alvey moved to adjourn the meeting. Judge Summers seconded. Motion carried unanimously on a voice vote.