

Public Participation Plan

I. Background

The City of Elroy recognizes the need to engage the public in the planning process. This plan sets forth the techniques the county and its local units of government will use to meet the goal of public participation. Therefore, this Public Participation Plan forms the basic framework for achieving an interactive dialogue between citizens, local decision makers, staff, and the NCWRPC.

The creation of the Public Participation Plan is a task required in meeting the requirements of Wisconsin's Comprehensive Planning Legislation (1999 Wisconsin Act 9 and its technical revisions). The City of Elroy will comply with the Plan as appropriate to the situation. As the planning process develops, it should be expected that deviations from the plan may occur.

II. Objectives

The following is a list of objectives for public participation that the City of Elroy would like to achieve throughout the development and subsequent adoption of the City of Elroy Comprehensive Plan and local plans:

- That the residents of City of Elroy become fully aware of the importance of participating in the development of the City of Elroy Comprehensive Plan.
- That the public participation process be designed to engage all aspects of the City.
- That the public have opportunities to provide their input (both formally and informally) to the City, and its governing body.
- That the public have access to all technical information and any analyses performed throughout the planning process.
- That members of the City have input from the broadest range of perspectives and interests in the community possible.
- That input is elicited through a variety of means (electronic, printed, and oral) in such a way that it may be carefully considered and responded to.
- That this process of public involvement strengthens the sense of community present in the City of Elroy.

The goal will be to inform, consult and involve the public and the communities served during each phase of the planning process. Hopefully, this will help balance the issues related to private property rights.

III. Techniques

The public participation plan for the comprehensive planning process will incorporate the following:

1. All meetings for the planning process will be open to the public and posted. A large open house will be held near the end of the process.
2. Periodic press releases to the media and local counties will occur to promote the open house meetings.
3. Periodic updates of the planning process will be included in the City of Elroy Newsletter, along with notices of any meetings or opportunities for public participation.
4. Via the NCWRPC NEWS newsletter all interested parties and adjoining governments will be informed of the planning process.
5. Planning meeting summaries and handouts will be maintained in the office and on the website www.ncwrpc.org.
6. All planning meetings will have comment sheets available. All website comments will be included in the record as well.

Throughout the plan process, the City of Elroy Planning Commission will meet to monitor the development of the plan.

City of Elroy

RESOLUTION 878

For Adoption of a Public Participation Plan

WHEREAS, the City of Elroy is required to prepare and adopt a Comprehensive Plan as outlined in Wisconsin Statutes; and

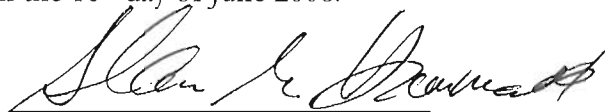
WHEREAS, public participation is critical for the development of a sound plan; and

WHEREAS, it is necessary for the City of Elroy to approve a process to involve the public in the planning process; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the City of Elroy does approve and authorize the Public Participation Plan as presented.

ADOPTED on the 10th day of June 2008.

ATTEST:



Adam Hammatt, Clerk

The governing body of the City of Elroy has authorized this Resolution, dated today.

ATTEST:



Sharon Knuth, Mayor