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Fairfield County to Hold Public Open House for 2023 Comprehensive Plan

Lancaster, Ohio – As Fairfield County prepares for future growth, the Fairfield County Commissioners in conjunction with *planning NEXT*, a Columbus-based consultant group, will share the results of an in-depth planning process by hosting a public open house August 8 through August 15 at the Fairfield County Courthouse, 210 E. Main Street in downtown Lancaster. The open house will allow the public to view displays bearing information regarding the updated comprehensive economic development plan and the land use plan.

The open house will take place on the third floor of the courthouse and consist of 10 different displays with a place for the public to leave comments if they choose. The public may visit the space during regular business hours, 8 am to 4 pm, Monday through Friday.

The comprehensive plan recommends a balanced land use pattern that includes priority growth areas and the improvements needed to make those areas ready for development. The growth areas are intended to maximize benefits while minimizing impacts to adjacent areas, while conserving farmland and open space. The plan, which incorporates public input, also identifies the industries the Economic Development Department should target based on the strengths and weaknesses of Fairfield County.

“We want to make sure we are ready for the growth that is coming to Fairfield County,” said Jeff Fix, Fairfield County Commissioner. “This plan, and the future of the county, belong to us all and it is essential that the public is aware of what is needed to ensure community success in the future and has the opportunity to play a part in the unfolding of a map to address those needs. What we have discovered is fascinating and valuable information.”

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