

Trumbull County Future Growth/Land Use Plan Update Community Outreach Meeting No. 1 – Northeast Quadrant Meeting Minutes

Date: Thursday, September 3, 2026

Time: 6:00 p.m. – 6:50 p.m.

Location: Kinsman Township Building, 7890 State Route 5, Kinsman, Ohio 44428

Attendance: Approximately 50 people

Media Present: WKBN, WFMJ, and Tribune Chronicle

1. Welcome and Introductions

The meeting was called to order promptly at 6:00 p.m. Julie Green, Director of the Trumbull County Planning Commission (TCPC), welcomed those in attendance. The meeting was the first of three community outreach meetings for the Northeast Quadrant as part of the update to the Trumbull County Comprehensive Land Use Plan.

Director Green introduced TCPC staff and Planning Commission members, John Bralich of GIS Man Development, and the elected officials in attendance. She also thanked Kinsman Township for hosting the meeting.

2. Land Use Plan Overview

Director Green and TCPC staff provided a comprehensive overview of the Trumbull County Future Growth/Land Use Plan, including the goals of the planning process, the importance of public participation, and how information gathered from residents will help shape future land use recommendations for communities throughout the Northeast Quadrant.

The planning process is intended to develop future land use maps and recommendations that local leaders can use when making decisions related to future growth and sustainability.

3. Land Use Priorities Activity

Following the presentation, attendees participated in the Land Use Priorities Activity. The room was divided into three groups of three maps, allowing residents to work with maps representing their respective communities.

Residents were provided colored dot stickers and asked to place the dots on the maps in locations where they believed various land uses should be preserved, improved, or encouraged. The five categories identified in the activity were Farmland Preservation & Rural Character, Natural Systems, Economic & Employment, Housing & Neighborhood Stability, and Transportation & Safety.

TCPC staff and representatives were available throughout the activity to answer questions and assist participants.

4. Public Survey and Next Steps

Before the conclusion of the meeting, attendees were encouraged to complete the countywide public survey. Participants were also asked to take and share the survey code handouts with neighbors, friends, and other community members to encourage additional participation throughout Trumbull County. The agenda also advised residents that the survey and project updates would remain available online throughout the planning process.

5. Adjournment

The meeting concluded at approximately 6:50 p.m.