

Memorandum

City of Lawrence

Planning & Development Services

TO: Planning Commission

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Date: November 19, 2008

RE: Agenda Item #11: CPA-2008-07, Environmental Chapter to
Horizon 2020

The Comprehensive Plans Committee (CPC), in conjunction with Planning Staff has begun a process to draft a new chapter in Horizon 2020 concerning environmental issues. As a part of this process, the CPC would like to invite the Planning Commission and members of the public to comment early on in the process. At this point, the CPC has developed a working outline, as well as a basic overview with strategies that will set the tone for the chapter as it evolves. The purpose of the public hearing at the November 19, 2008 Planning Commission meeting is to collect specific comments from the Commissioners and the public regarding the chapter outline and overview. The CPC would like to encourage specific comments regarding anything that might be missing from the outline.

A website has been setup as a central hub for information regarding the drafting of this chapter. (<http://www.lawrenceks.org/pds/H2020-Env>) A current timeline, outline, draft language and meeting notes are posted to the site as they are developed. In addition, an email distribution list has been created to keep people informed about the chapter as it moves through the process. Members of the public can sign up to be a part of this email distribution list by visiting the City's subscription page (<http://www.lawrenceks.org/subscriptions>) and signing up for the "Horizon 2020 Chapter 16: Environment" list under the Public Meetings heading.

Finally, questions and comments are encouraged and welcome at any point during the process. Please direct questions and comments to Amy Brown at (785) 832-3166 or at amybrown@ci.lawrence.ks.us.