



Infrastructure Action Team Meeting #1

City Planning - Kara Smith, Sarah Yeager, Flore Marion

Green Building Alliance – Megan Zeigler

October 1, 2020

Tonight's Agenda

- Staff Team Introductions
- Review City's Neighborhood Plan Guide Process
- Equity Integration
- Role of the Action Teams
- Expectations
- Action Team Member Introductions
- Plan Framework
- Infrastructure Action Team Topics
- Next steps



Staff Team Introductions

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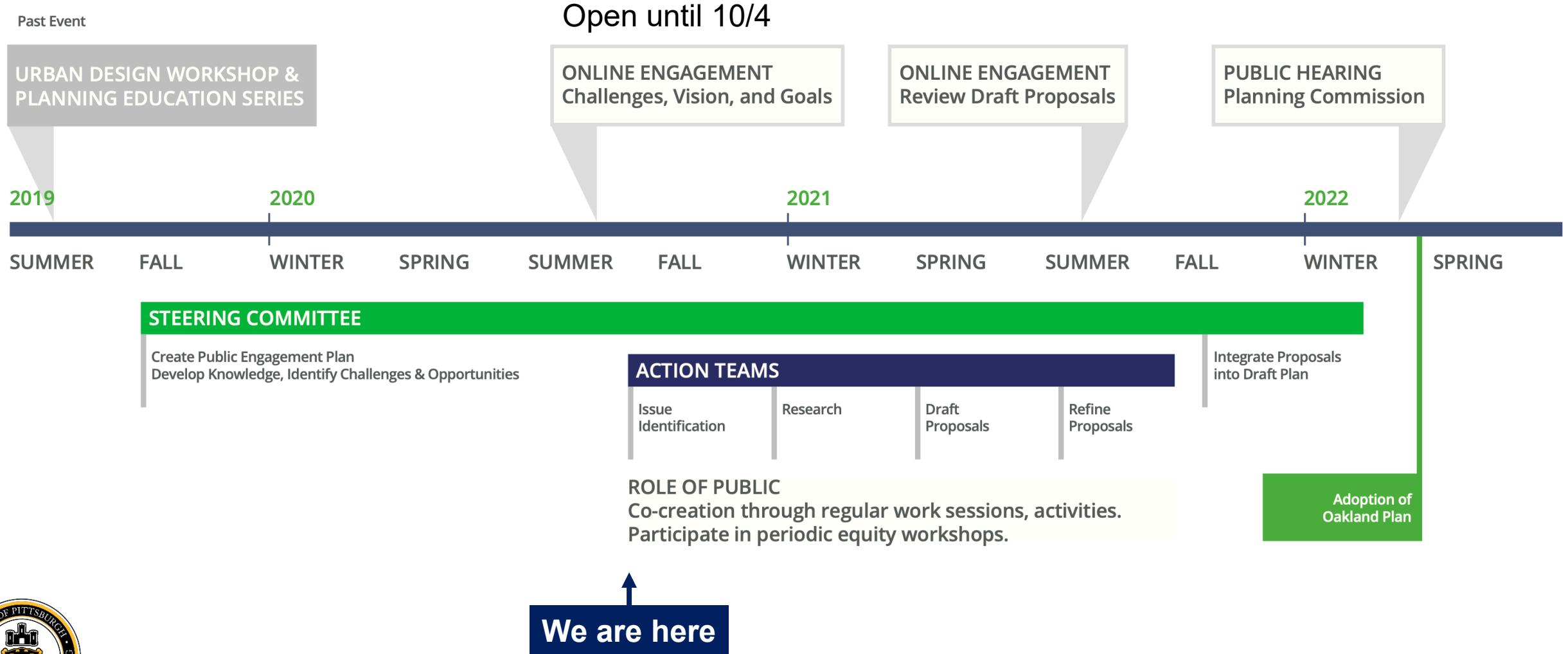
- Flore Marion – Energy Advisor
- Kara Smith – Environmental Planner
- Sarah Yeager – Climate and Energy Planner

GREEN BUILDING ALLIANCE

- Megan Zeigler, VP of Planning and Policy



Planning Process



Equity Approach

- Oakland Plan staff from the Office of Equity, Green Building Alliance, and City Planning have worked together to establish an integrated approach that will ensure equity is a lens for all proposals. Equity experts from the Pittsburgh region will be involved as part of this work.
- Staff managing each Action Team are developing draft equity goals based on best practices. Throughout the next year that we meet, we will review and improve these goals. It's important for all of us to consider how the proposals we develop together overcome inequities.
- Together, we will learn and grow our understanding and impact.



Our Expectations for Your Behavior

Action Team members are expected to participate in good faith. The following rules of behavior apply to all members:

1. Prepare for and attend all meetings;
2. Participate fully and honestly, commenting constructively;
3. Treat fellow members with respect, particularly when there are differences of opinion;
4. Allow others to say what they believe is true without fear of reprisal;
5. Abide by the rule that only one person can talk at a time; and
6. Only represent your views when speaking with others about the planning process.

Those who routinely break these rules will no longer receive invites to meetings and will be removed from mailing lists.



Role of the Action Teams

- Meeting regularly by Zoom to identify issues and opportunities, gather information, and develop proposals.
- Conducting engagements with the broader community (online for now) to inform our work and share our ideas.
- Developing draft proposals including what, who, and how.
- Presenting our ideas back to the Steering Committee to get their input and understand where two Action Teams should work together on a topic.
- Refine our proposals based on input from the general public and the Steering Committee. Create a table called an Implementation Matrix.



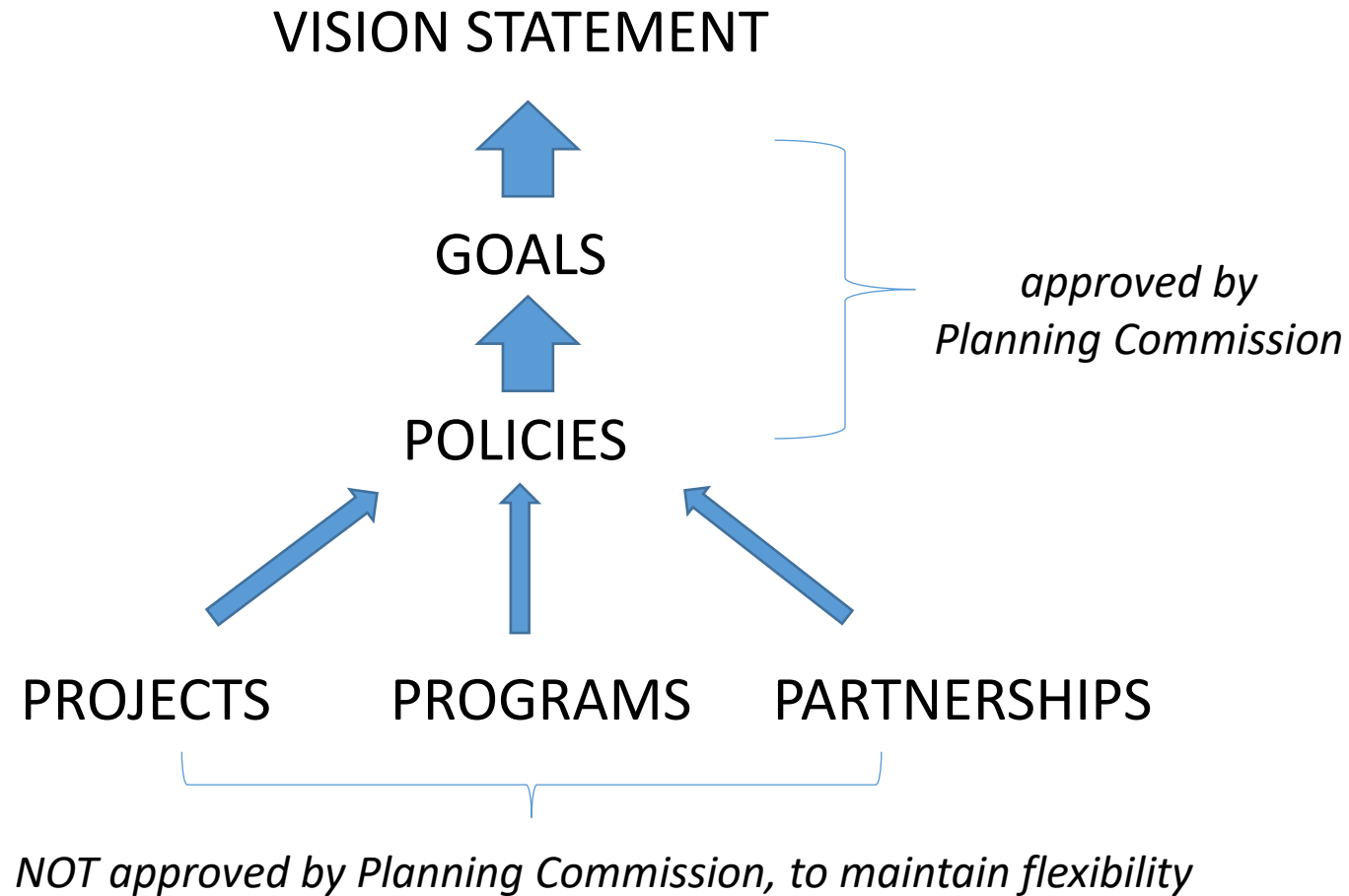
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Introduce Yourself!

- Name
- Where you live
- What organization you represent (if any)
- Why you joined this Action Team
- What topics are most important to you from the list we just reviewed



Plan Framework



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Example Implementation Matrix

ID	Strategy	PPP	Detail	Timeline (Years)				Funding Source(s)	Implementers (bold = lead)
				0-2	3-5	5-10	Ongoing		
A.3.a	Zone Change	Project	Rezone Elm Street from Urban Industrial to Local Neighborhood Commercial to provide a mixed-use corridor within the neighborhood.	X				None needed	Department of City Planning, Community-Based Organization
A.2.a	Mentorship Program for District Youth.	Program	Establish afterschool program within District Elementary School that allows seniors from the community to voluntarily mentor students in grades 6-12.	X				School District, Children's Foundation	District Afterschool Program, District Senior Center.
A.1.a	Park Exercise Equipment	Project	Release Request for Solutions for vendors to provide exercise equipment for all ages and abilities. Select most popular options and install in the community park.	X				City Budget	City Dept. of Public Works, Community-Based Organization
A.2.b	Neighborhood Walks for a Purpose	Program	Create program with residents, businesses and the university that organizes weekly walking tours of the neighborhood with each week		X			Community-Based Organization Operating	Community-Based Organization, Business Association, University



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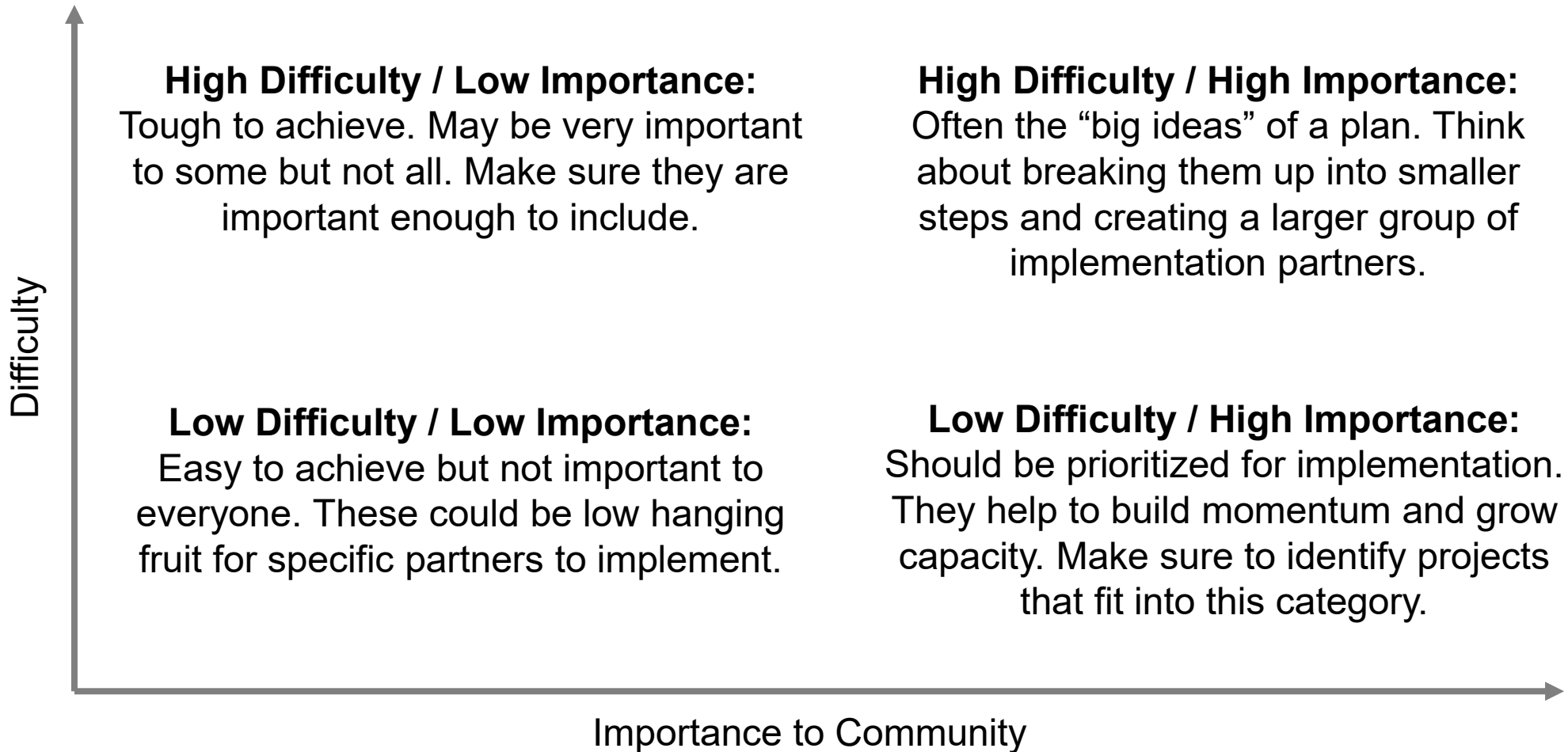
How are these "proposals" used?

- Proposed projects, programs, and partnerships represent a shared “to do” list for organizations in the community and public agencies.
- Public agencies look to neighborhood plans to identify what projects they should pursue in that community, how the project should be scoped, who they should work with, and how much funding they will need to complete it.
- As we work together to develop proposals, we should think about two aspects of our proposals: Importance to the community vs. difficulty.
- Note: “Community” includes all the stakeholders in a place. In this case, that is everyone who lives, works, studies, and plays in Oakland.



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Difficulty vs. Importance



Topics for the Infrastructure Action Team

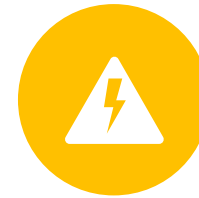
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Stormwater



Parks and Open Space



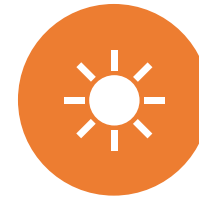
Energy and Utilities



Waste and Recycling



Tree Canopy and Habitat Restoration



Climate Adaption

OPTIONAL TOPICS:



Urban Agriculture



Digital Network



Air Quality



Engagement Discussion

Questions:

What engagement opportunities are there now.

- Is your community group meeting virtually?
- Suggestions to get more people involved?
- Have you engaged with the Oakland website

[Oakland Public Engagment Plan](#)

<https://engage.pittsburghpa.gov/oakland/oakland-infrastructure>

Public Engagement Plan under "How can I be involved?": <https://engage.pittsburghpa.gov/oakland>



Next Steps

Staff Will:

- Send out Doodle Poll for monthly meetings
- *What have we heard so far on the Engage PGH page?*
- *What questions do we want to ask next and how?*

Action Team Members Will:

- Engage with the site
- What are we missing?



Where can you find us?



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Online at engage.pittsburghpa.gov/oakland

