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**PlanET Working Group Meeting #5  
Housing & Neighborhoods**

March 19, 2013  
Cansler YMCA, 1 pm – 3 pm

**Meeting Summary**

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**Meeting attendees:** Buz Johnson, MPC; Rebecca Longmire, MPC; Jeff Archer, MPC; John Lamb, Blount County Planning; Jim Ullrich; Joe Hultquist, Chris Hamby, City of Alcoa; Mike Dunthorn, City of Knoxville; Tera Davis, City of Knoxville; Phil Watson, Knoxville Habitat; Kaye Graybeal, MPC; Stan Jonson, SEED; John Thompson, SEED; Jackie Mayo, KHP; Jason Estes, CAC; David Cook, KCDC; Rogers Doughty, City of Knoxville; Rick Held, KEAP Green Jobs; Kahla Gentry, City of Oak Ridge

**WELCOME & Check-In**

Ice breaker and welcome by Mark Donaldson, Executive Director, Knoxville-Knox County Metropolitan Planning Commission.

**WHERE ARE WE**

Brief recap of where we are in the PlanET process by Mark Donaldson.

**CONCEPT EVOLUTION**

Review by Tim Kuhn of how we got from the chip maps to conceptual maps seen today.

**PlanET INTERACTIVE EXERCISE**

Mark Donaldson facilitated a modified Meeting in a Box Metroquest activity and asked for feedback from the WG members.

Feedback notes:

- What are we saying when we select traffic congestion?  
Response: On one of those should read want to minimize.
- Some of the indicators have relationships to others.

**PRIORITIES & CONCEPTS ANALYSIS**

Kevin Tilbury, GS&P, led the WG members through a more detailed discussion of the concepts and priorities.

Additional feedback notes:

- Question on slide Priority Housing Diversity Index – What are these numbers? Kevin explained that it is a ratio, not raw numbers, stating that they don't have access to information to get raw numbers.
- Question regarding ¼ mile distance...Is that as a crow flies? Response, yes.
- Cities – are we using city limits? Response, yes.
- Water quality on cities and towns...Why is that negative? Looking at existing and future impervious surface next to impaired streams and the impaired streams are in cities and towns.
- Intensification impacts impervious surface impacts, redevelopment cannot be worse from the stormwater impacts, impact of added stormwater regulations in urban area shift where developing in greenfields outside the urban area are easier and cheaper.

#### **NEXT STEPS & CLOSING**

Mark Donaldson discussed what is next in the PlanET process and what we need from each WG in terms of participation and input over the next 3 -4 months. Working Group members will be asked to meet 4-5 times between now and the fall.