

The Wilkinsburg Plan will be producing a flurry of activity in the Borough over the next few weeks. This 10-year comprehensive plan will determine future land use and development objectives within the Borough, as well as a strategy for revitalizing the Wilkinsburg business district. As key stakeholders in the future of Wilkinsburg, Borough residents, and business and civic leaders are invited to join Borough officials in a series of neighborhood meetings and workshops to assist in the planning process.

During the month of April, six neighborhood meetings will be conducted at various locations throughout the Borough. Each meeting will begin at 6:30 p.m. and will end at 8:00 p.m. Meeting activities will be designed to gather input from neighborhood residents in areas such as housing, streets and highways, transportation, parks and open space, economic development, land use, and community facilities. Residents are encouraged to attend the meeting that is most convenient for them, based on location and meeting time. The six neighborhood meetings will be held as follows:

April 7 – 6:30 p.m. Wilkinsburg High School 747 Wallace Avenue Wilkinsburg, PA 15221

April 8 – 6:30 p.m. Three Rivers Center for Independent Living 900 Rebecca Avenue Pittsburgh, PA 15221-2938

April 16 – 6:30 p.m. Turner Elementary School 1833 Laketon Road Wilkinsburg, PA 15221

April 17 – 6:30 p.m. Mifflin Avenue United Methodist Church (Gymnasium) 905 Mifflin Avenue Pittsburgh, PA 15221

April 22 – 6:30 p.m. Blackridge Civic Center 1020 Beulah Road Churchill, PA 15235

[To be Determined] Beacon Hill Community Center Check Borough Web Site at <http://www.wilkinsburgpa.gov>; or Call the Borough Office, 412-244-2900 x 101 for the date

The next phase of the business district revitalization planning process will be a charrette. The charrette is a multiple-day collaborative design and planning workshop held on-site that includes all stakeholders. Standard public meetings often do not provide adequate time for meaningful engagement. In contrast, this week-long event will bring the community together in an interactive, dynamic process designed to

produce a realistic plan. Planned for the week of May 11-15, the charrette will take a holistic approach to issues such as land use, renovation, redevelopment, traffic, parking, open space, art, and amenities. Charrette afternoons will include committee work sessions and gallery open houses where interested citizens can review background information and comment on ongoing work. Two evening workshops will be interactive, hands-on planning sessions that explore alternatives, measure performance, balance costs and benefits, and integrate solutions. The concluding charrette evening session will be a public presentation of the preferred Business District Revitalization Plan. The schedule for public involvement in the charrette is as follows:

**Location and Directions:** The charrette will be held in Room 420 at the Hosanna House in Wilkinsburg at 807 Wallace Avenue. Please use the Wallace Avenue entrance, sign in at the front desk, and follow the signs to the Room 402.

May 11 6:00 p.m. – 9:00 p.m. Public Workshop #1

May 12 10:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m. Gallery Open to Public  
1:00 p.m. – 3:00 p.m. Gallery Open to Public

May 13 6:00 p.m. – 9:00 p.m. Public Workshop #2

May 14 10:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m. Gallery Open to Public  
1:00 p.m. – 3:00 p.m. Gallery Open to Public

May 15 6:00 p.m. – 8:00 p.m. Public Workshop #3

After the completion of the charrette, the final phase of the business district planning process will be to develop an implementation strategy, including priorities, actions, and responsibilities.

For information regarding the planning process, please send an e-mail to [compplan@wilkinsburgpa.gov](mailto:compplan@wilkinsburgpa.gov), or contact the Borough office at (412) 244-2900.