

City of High Point

*Municipal Office Building
211 South Hamilton Street
High Point, NC 27261*



Meeting Agenda

Tuesday, March 22, 2016

9:00 AM

City Council Retreat

Council Chambers

Special Called Meeting of City Council

*William S. Bencini, Jr., Mayor
James C. Davis, Mayor Pro Tem
Latimer B. Alexander, IV, Cynthia Y. Davis,
Jason P. Ewing, Jeffrey J. Golden,
Alyce E. Hill, Christopher Williams,
Jay W. Wagner*

- 160144** City Council Retreat - Strategic Planning Session -
The City Council met on Tuesday, March 22, 2016 at 8:30 a.m. at the High Point University for the purpose of a Strategic Planning Session. Ms. Meridith Powell, facilitated the session. At this meeting the Council adopted three long term strategic goals.

Sponsors: Committee of the Whole

Attachments: City Council Retreat - March 22 2016.pdf
STRATEGY SLIDES.pdf

- 160145** Presentation - Proposed Stadium Project - Taskforce Update -
Mr. Sims Hinds, with Dilworth Advisors, updated the City Council on the proposed High Point Multipurpose Stadium Phase II project during the City Council Retreat held on March 22, 2016 at High Point University.

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Attachments: High Point Multi-Purpose Stadium Phase II Update.pdf

City of
HIGH POINT NORTH CAROLINA

Strategic Planning

WELCOME

8:00 a.m.

Arrival

8:15 a.m.

Call to Order by Mayor Bencini

8:20 a.m.

Opening Remarks

Strategic Planning Agenda

8:30 to 9:00

Overview of the Day Ground Rules

9:00 to 9:30

Strategy Overview Prewrite

9:30 to 10:00

Key Success Measures

10:00 to 10:15

Break

10:15 to 10:45

Long Term Goals Group Work

10:45 to 11:30

Long Term Goals Selection

11:30 to Noon

Short Term Goals Group Work

Noon to 1:00

Working Lunch

1:00 to 1:30

Short Term Goals Selection

1:30 to 2:15

Action Plans

2:15 to 3:00

Action Plans Present

3:00 to 3:30

Buffer Time & Next Steps

Ground Rules!

Involved

Open Minded

Listen

Silence is Agreement

Be Honest

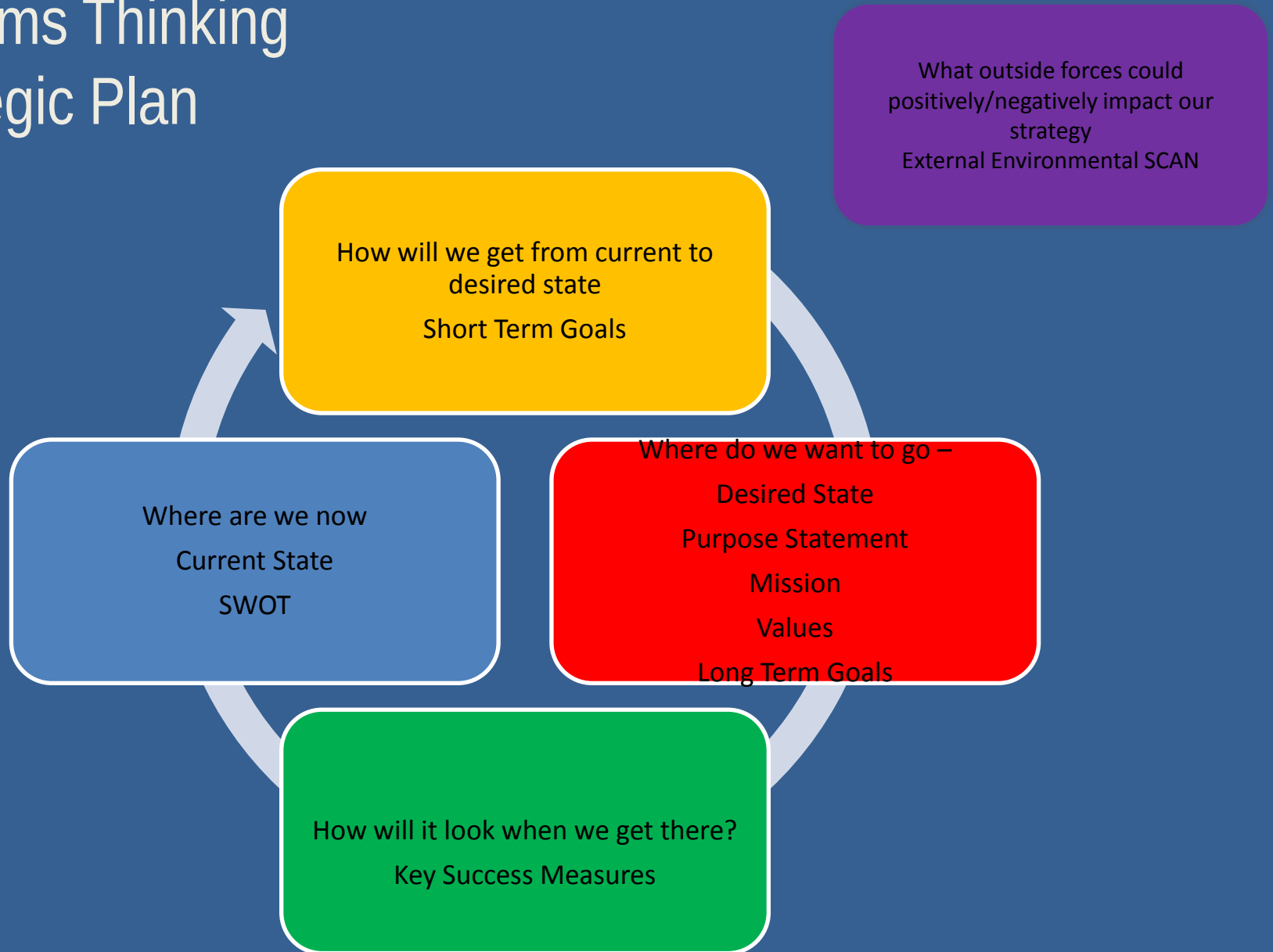
Solution Oriented

Encourage

Fun



Systems Thinking Strategic Plan



PREWORK



STRENGTHS

Service	Location in Piedmont Triad
History	region and proximity to two larger
Employee experience,	cities (Greensboro and Winston
Relationships internal and	Salem)
external	Technology
Morale	Diverse parks system
Presence of and relationship	Culture
with High Point University &	Non Union
Guilford Technical College	Key community relationships
Philanthropic nature of	Strong partnership with business
citizens	community
	Economically affordable
	Four seasons
	Good place to work

WEAKNESSES

Staffing – over and under	Resistant to change
Responsiveness	– staff and council
Training	Reputation
Lack of trained employees	Lack of empowerment
Dead downtown	Stagnant tax base
Troubled neighborhoods	Lack of strategic direction
Lack of activities for residents	Economic challenges
and visitors	Serious diversity communities
Inexperienced team members	Communication
& turnover	Lack of Identify
HR Issues – regulation, lack of	I
career progression	

OPPORTUNITIES

Diversify economic base	More open to change
Branding	Define and claim our identify
Special events	Better utilize technology and
Diversity industry	social media to promote the city
Attract new business	govern efficiently
Define and claim the growth	Privatization
we want	Community relationships
Downtown	Career and advancement
Lakes and Green Space	opportunities for staff
The Environmental Center,	Technology
sports fields, golf courses,	Increase benefits to keep
lakes, marinas,	employees
campgrounds etc...	Environmental market
Visibility with social media,	Millennials
programs	Council leadership

THREATS

Fear of Innovation	Not keeping up with
High Taxes	technology
Home ownership	Competition
Loss of talented staff	Low paying and lack of jobs
Not keeping up with	Not recognizing that the
emerging technology	community and society is
Holding on to old ideas	changing
about growth	Thinking that furniture is the
Loss of knowledgeable	option
staff/lack of succession planning	Employees and talent long
Lack of new revenue resources	term
Tax structure becoming	Allowing others to define us
inadequate to support the	Not changing
services desired by the	Not accepting reality
population	

FEES

- S – Society** – More diverse, multi-cultural, younger, high expectations, low-paying jobs, entitled, fearful, changing rapidly, lack of respect of authority, health oriented or not
- K – Compete** – Mergers, acquisitions, more and more of it, strong with close cities, growing and expanding, more pressure on how to get seen and heard, privatization
- E – Economics** – Service focused, slower than ever, not small business friendly, fluctuating, overly regulated, has affected manpower and skill level, local focus to buy and live
- P – Political Reg.** - Changing, social media, polarizing, not business friendly, budget cuts, regulations self, state and federal
- T – Technology** – Virtual, constant changes, online services, continued growth and change, create more ways to service people, remote working, creating opportunity and challenges
- I – Industry** – Temporary, changing out furniture and pharmaceutical, creating more efficiency, highly competitive, centralized labor, outsourcing
- C – Customers** – They want more service, more attention, less loyal and highly demanding

VISION & MISSION

VISION STATEMENT

“Creating the Single Most Livable, Safe and Prosperous Community in America”

MISSION STATEMENT

The City will serve as the catalyst for bringing together the community's human, economic & civic resources for the purpose of creating the single most livable, safe & prosperous community in America.

VALUES

Integrity. Saying what we mean and consistently doing what we say with no desire other than the good of the citizens that we serve. It means standing up for beliefs.

Creativity. The commitment for developing new and effective ideas. It is an everyday practice involving the continual encouragement of creative, imaginative and innovative service alternatives involving the whole organization.

Helpfulness. A passion for excellent in service quality as defined by the citizen. It means serving as a catalyst for bringing people and resources together to improve the quality and responsiveness of our services. We expect all employees to be helpful and willing to assist others in a timely, dependable and accurate manner.

Responsibility. A continual process that emphasizes a high level of personal accountability by each member of the organization.

Partnership. Adding competitive value and quality to the services provided to our residents, businesses and visitors through responsible fiscal stewardship, increased innovation, greater use of technology, and expanded civic, neighborhood and regional partnerships.

Balance. Valuing a style of life that encourages the whole person, and a balance of time for self, family, community and work. Values, honors and respects community and work force diversity.

KEY SUCCESS MEASURES

Breathe!

LT GOALS

Examples:

Increase Tax Base By 10 Percent

Reduce Crime By 20 Percent

*Increase Small Business Success by
25 Percent*

*Identify and develop a strategy for new
revenue resources*



GROUP Work

SCRIBE

Leader

Time Keeper

Questions:

Given Desired State & Current State

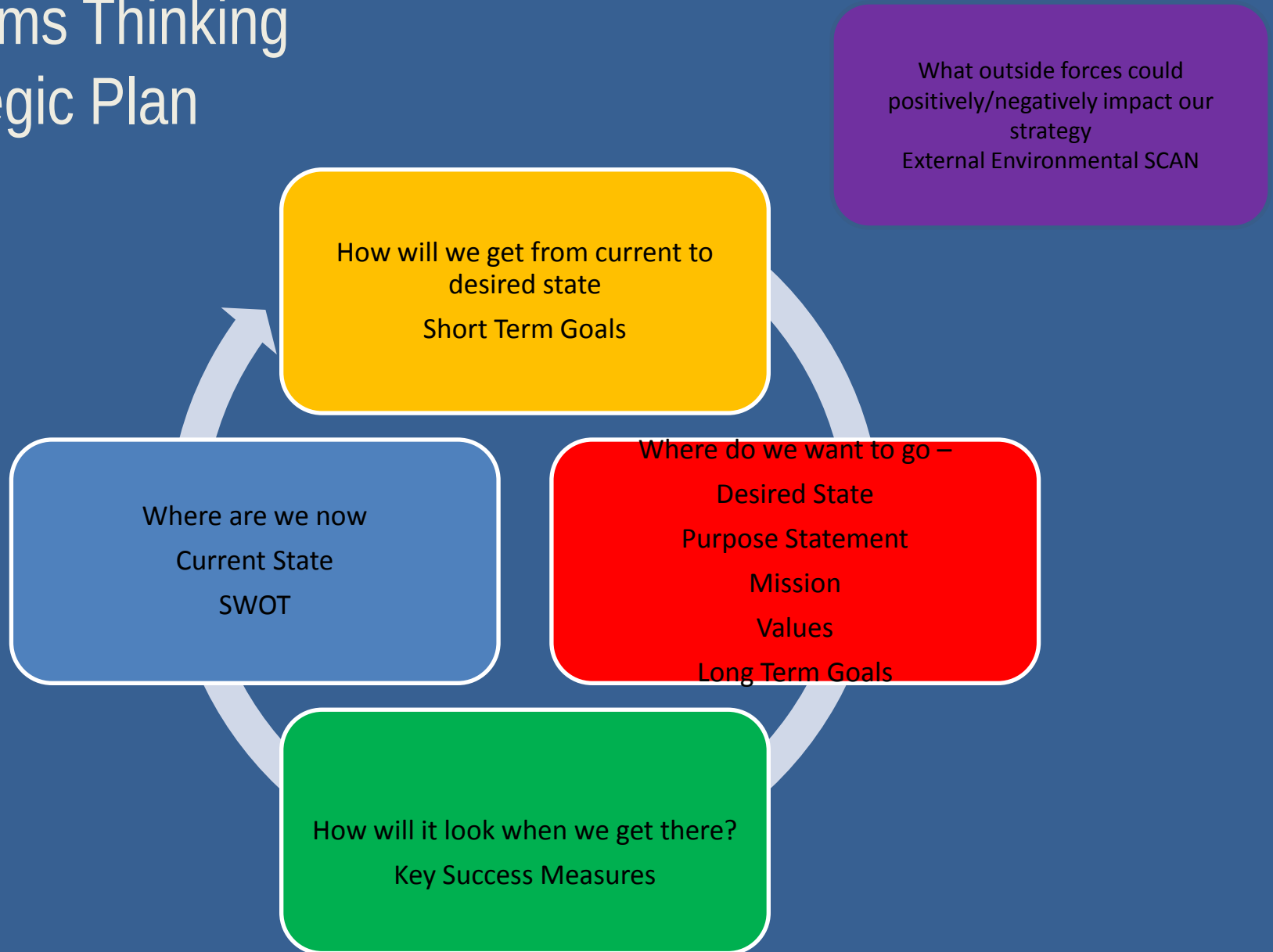
Identify 3 LT Goals

Groups PRESENT



SHORT TERM GOALS

Systems Thinking Strategic Plan



ST GOALS

Examples:

LT Goal:

Reduce Operating Expenses by 20 percent in the next three years

ST Goal:

Create a strategy to reduce operating expenses by 10 percent in 2016



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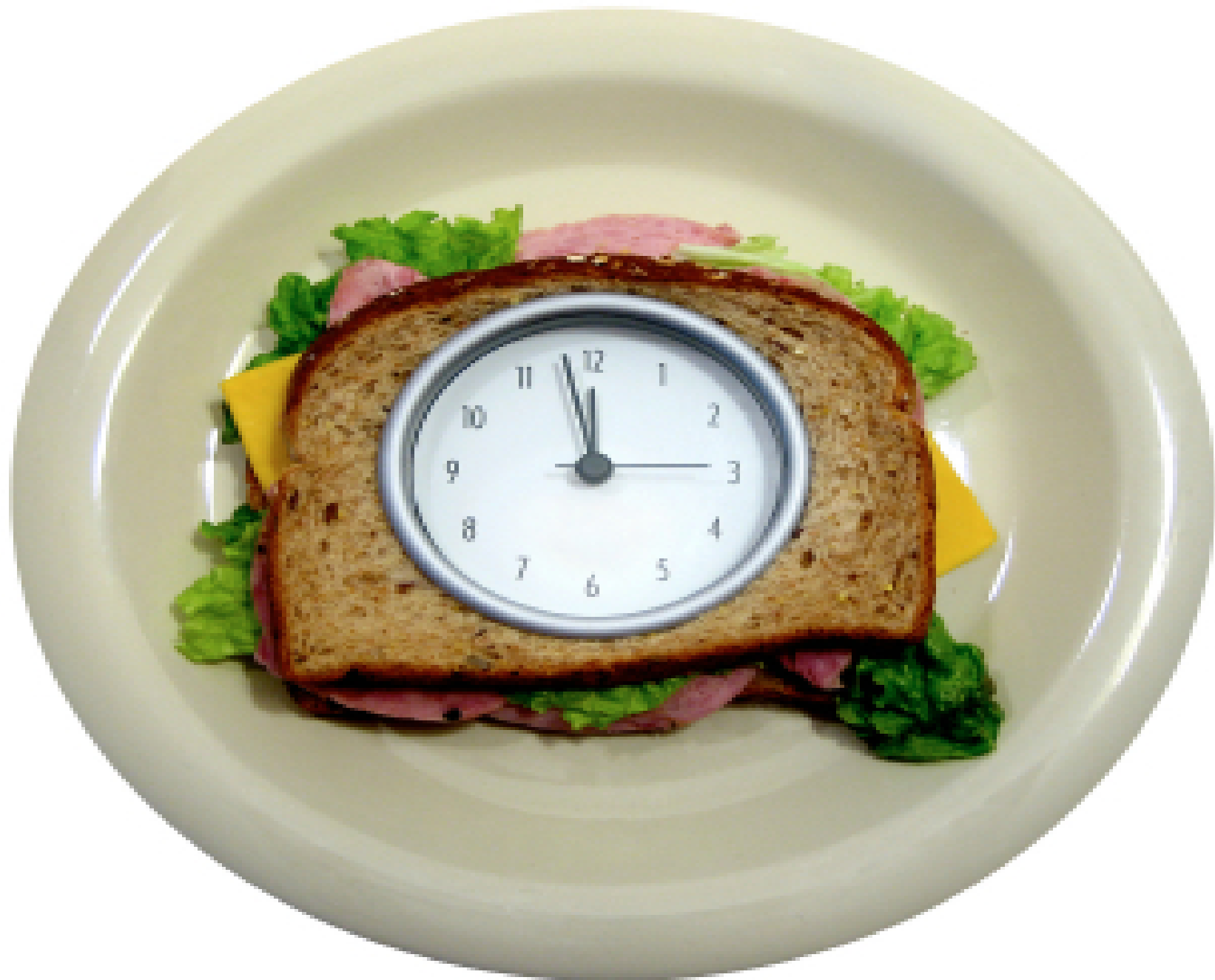
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Groups PRESENT





ACTION PLANS



Action Plan

Goal:

Time Frame:

Actions:

Measurement:

Accountability:

Team Members:

Goal:	Create a process that will determine both the current # of active, engaged & entrepreneurial millenials we have; then develop and implement a need assessment to understand how to grow & retain them.
Time Frame:	Now until – Dec 2016
Actions:	Develop a millenial task force (next 90 days) - Updated interested citizen list - urban ag task force - Chamber participants - HPU participates Establish downtown business/creative incubator (60 days) - recruit groups to help establish incubator - identify locations downtown
Measurement:	5 locations within 6 months Report of task force to council & business community quarterly
Accountability:	Increase in active, engaged millenial population Active and full incubator
Team Members:	CPE Department, Council, Business Community Partners, HPU Participants

Action Plans

Goal:

Time Frame:

Actions:

Measurement:

Accountability:

Team Members:

PRESENT PLANS



WRAP UP
NEXT STEPS



PHASE II UPDATE FOR HIGH POINT CITY COUNCIL





PHASE I

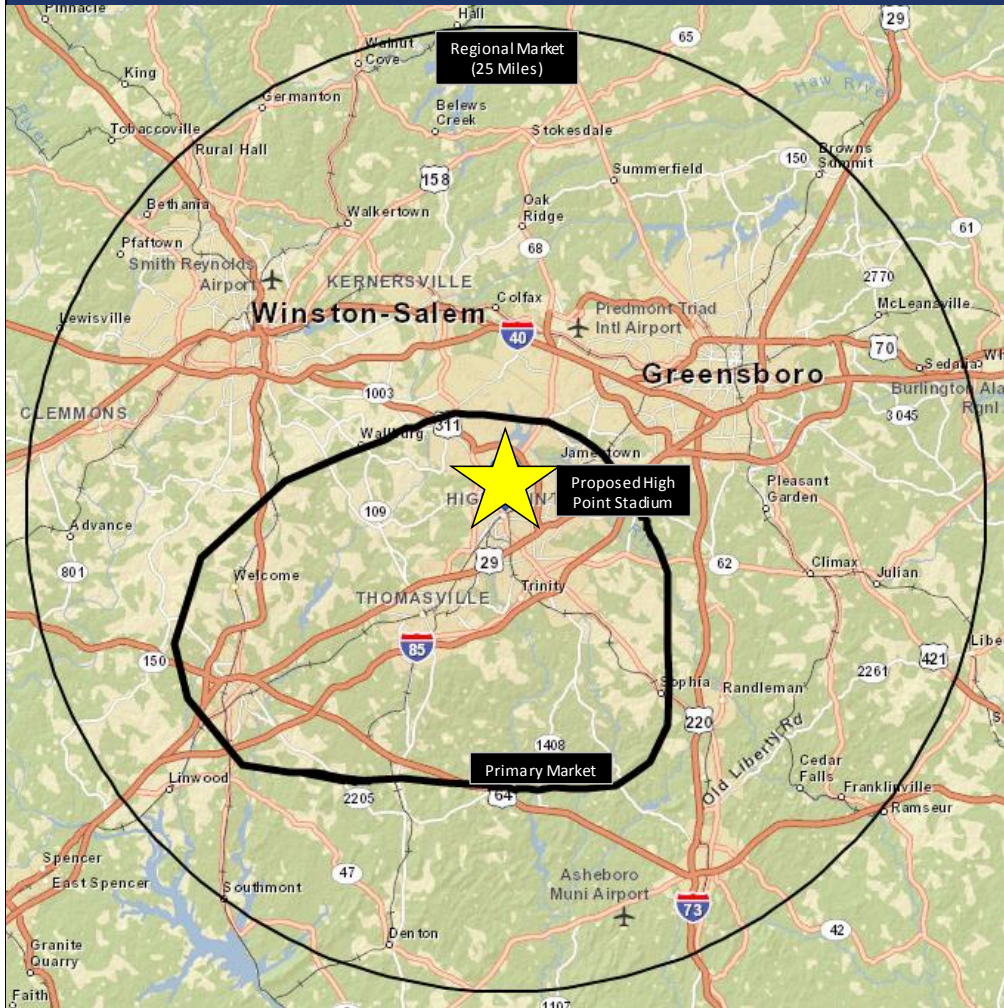
Overview



- Commissioned by Ballpark Task Force
- 100% of funds raised privately
- Completed December 2015

LOCAL AND REGIONAL MARKET CHARACTERISTICS

LOCAL AND REGIONAL MARKET PROPOSED HIGH POINT STADIUM



DEMOGRAPHIC PROFILE

PRIMARY MARKET

Demographic Variable	Primary Market	City of High Point	Regional Market	United States
Population:				
2015 Total Population	228,117	107,860	1,137,526	318,536,440
2020 Total Population	233,807	112,500	1,179,220	327,981,320
Historical annual growth rate (2010 to 2015)	0.3%	0.6%	0.6%	0.6%
Projected annual growth rate (2015 to 2020)	0.5%	0.9%	0.7%	0.8%
Age:				
Median Age	40.0	37.3	38.5	37.9
Age Distribution:				
Under 18	22.7%	23.6%	22.6%	22.8%
18 to 34	21.3%	23.5%	23.2%	23.6%
35 to 54	27.0%	26.7%	26.7%	26.0%
55 and over	29.0%	26.2%	27.6%	27.6%
Household Income:				
Median Household Income	\$40,483	\$42,923	\$44,236	\$53,220
Cost of Living Index	86	86	86	100
Adjusted Median Household Income	\$47,074	\$49,910	\$51,437	\$53,220
Income Distribution:				
\$0 to \$24,999	30.8%	29.6%	27.4%	23.1%
\$25,000 to \$49,999	27.9%	26.5%	27.4%	23.8%
\$50,000 to \$74,999	17.0%	17.5%	17.3%	17.6%
\$75,000 to \$99,999	11.1%	9.7%	10.8%	12.5%
\$100,000 to \$149,999	8.7%	9.9%	10.0%	12.9%
\$150,000 or more	4.5%	6.8%	7.1%	10.2%

Source: ESRI.

PRELIMINARY SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

Month	HIGH POINT STADIUM Preliminary Schedule of Events											
	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec
HiToms Season Schedule	35 Home Games											
H.T. Locos and 5K	3 Events											
HiToms Baseball Camps	9 Camps											
Division II Baseball World Series	1 Week											
High School Baseball Playoffs	Regionals / State											
High School Football	14 Games											
American Legion State Tournament	1 Week											
High Point Market Events*	4 Events 4 Events											
Other Youth Sports Tournaments* ⁽¹⁾	3 - 4 Small to Medium Sized Tournaments											
Concerts	2 - 3 Concerts											
Other Events / Corporate Outings	20 - 30 Events Per Year											

* Estimate.

(1) If Site 1 selected and proposed soccer field constructed.

Note: This analysis is preliminary and subject to revision upon completion of Phase II.



PHASE I

Conclusions



- High Point market large enough to support multi-purpose stadium
- High Point regional business community large enough to support commercial interest



PHASE II

Process Overview

CSL developed a scope of services to assist the Downtown Development Board and other project representatives in making informed decisions regarding a potential multi-purpose stadium in the City of High Point

Phase II Process Steps

- Comparable Facility Case Studies;
- Market Surveys;
- Estimated Market Demand;
- Finalized Building Program and Cost;
- Estimated Ancillary Development Potential;
- Financial Analysis; and,
- Economic Impact Analysis.

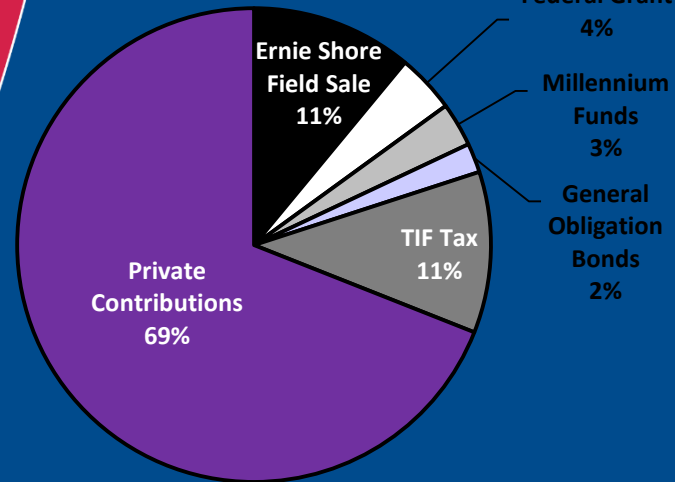


BB&T BALLPARK

Winston-Salem Dash



**BB&T Ballpark Funding
(\$48.7 Million)**



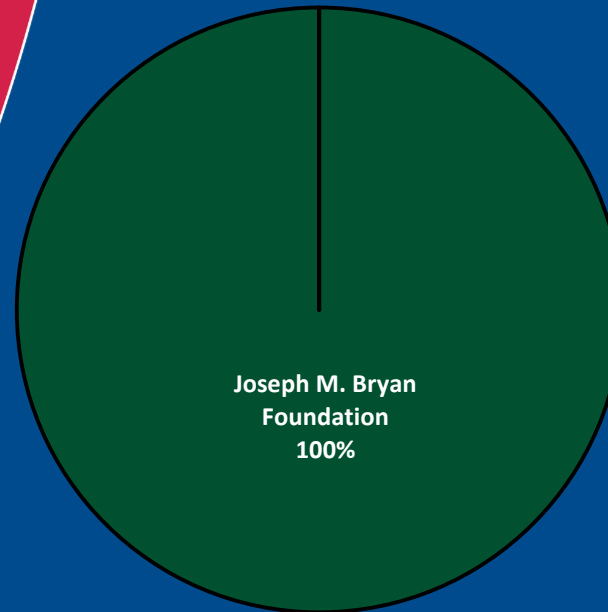
- Opened in 2010, \$48.7 million
- Originally anticipated to cost \$23 million
- 69% private / 31% public
 - \$5.5 million in TIF District Funding
 - Private Sector Funding:
 - \$15 million loan from ballpark revenues
 - \$12.7 million from City paid back from ballpark revenues and rent
 - \$5.7 million in upfront equity
- Team pays \$190K in rent and \$350K in ticket surcharges to repay City loan
- Undisclosed naming rights deal with BB&T Bank

NEWBRIDGE BANK PARK

Greensboro Grasshoppers



NewBridge Bank Park
(\$22.6 Million)



- 100% financed through Joseph M. Bryan foundation
- The team's ownership group exercised an option to purchase the stadium from the Bryan Foundation for \$12.8 million in 2012
- In 2007, the Grasshoppers entered into a 10-year naming rights agreement with NewBridge Bank for a reported \$300,000 per year
- First of several private investments to redevelop downtown Greensboro
 - \$40 million already invested
 - \$50 million planned for a mixed-use development, including 300 upscale apartments and a six-story 100+ hotel room with 3,500 square feet of meeting space
 - Also anticipating \$65 million performing arts center to open in 2017



PROJECT JACKSON

North Augusta, SC

- \$183 million development funded by a public-private partnership which includes a new ballpark, a new hotel and retail space
 - ~\$125 million from private investment
 - ~\$58 million from TIF District Financing
- Financing was originally opposed as private residents contended TIF District selected was not as blighted as might be required under TIF law
- South Carolina's Supreme Court sided with the City of North Augusta and upheld plans for TIF financing
- Augusta GreenJackets (full-season Class A) expected to be primary tenant



SHOCKOE BOTTOM PROJECT

Richmond, VA

- Downtown revitalization plan including Hyatt hotel, office/residential space, retail space, grocery store, historical site and a new ballpark
 - Anticipated to be a 7,500 seat ballpark (Richmond Flying Squirrels - AA)
- Alternative plan proposed to place the ballpark in an area of Richmond known as The Boulevard
 - \$68 million cost compared to \$80 million for Shockoe Bottom development site
- Shockoe Bottom projected to generate \$12 million in annual tax revenue while The Boulevard is anticipated to generate \$6 million
- No approval for either site has been made

High Point Multi-Purpose Stadium Survey

For

MARKET SURVEYS Overview

Community leaders are considering the merits of the development of a multi-purpose stadium in High Point-Thomasville HiToms ("HiToms") collegiate summer league baseball games, collegiate baseball games, concerts, high school football, youth sports, collegiate sports and community events in downtown High Point.

In many communities across the country, multi-purpose stadium developments have been a catalyst to drive economic development, support local businesses, provide residents with affordable entertainment options and generate community exposure through coverage in local media forums.

New City Project Foundation has hired a third-party consultant to conduct an analysis to determine the feasibility of a multi-purpose stadium and associated ancillary development in High Point. As a step in this process, the consultant is seeking input from area residents and visitors to determine interest and support for a multi-purpose stadium in downtown High Point. It will take 5 to 10 minutes to complete this survey. Your input is an important part of the process.

1. Are you answering this survey on behalf of yourself/family, your business or other organization?

- ☐ Myself/family
- ☐ Business
- ☐ Both

2. Have you ever attended a HiToms home baseball game?

- ☐ Yes
- ☐ No **(Skip to Q4)**

3. How would you characterize your current ticket purchase?

Please select all that apply

- ☐ HiToms Family Box 4 tickets (35 Home Games)
- ☐ HiToms Business Box 4 tickets (35 Home Games)
- ☐ Box Seat Reserved (35 Home Games)
- ☐ Tommy Box Plan (18 Home Games)
- ☐ Super Flex (General Admission)
- ☐ Flex Plan (General Admission)
- ☐ Single game **(Skip to Q4)**
- ☐ I do not currently purchase tickets

CSL developed a comprehensive market survey to test the opinions and feedback of groups within the High Point Community in regards to the proposed multi-purpose stadium in the City of High Point.

The survey was sent out to the Chamber of Commerce database on March 11th and will be distributed to the HiToms season ticket base over the next week. To date, we have received **443 total responses**.

Survey Topics

- HiToms ticket purchase status;
- Attitude towards stadium development;
- Attendance impact of new stadium;
- New stadium amenities;
- Other event interest;
- Premium seating options;
- Corporate partnership opportunities; and,
- Others.



MARKET SURVEYS

Extrapolation Process

CSL will utilize the results from the market surveys to extrapolate potential demand for seating in a new multi-purpose stadium. Below is an overview of that process:

1. Extrapolate Results to Population of Target Markets
2. Population Reduction Due to Email Survey Bias
3. De-Duplicate Target Market Populations for Cross-Over
4. Based on Specified Buying Intent
5. Apply Sales Conversion Rates Based on the Strength of the Purchase Intent (Definitely, Likely or Possibly)
6. Sales Conversion Rates Vary By Target Market Based on Past Financial Support for HiToms baseball
7. Factor Number of Seats Desired and/or Degree of Sharing with Other Parties



BUILDING PROGRAM Update

CSL will utilize the survey demand results and comparable facility benchmark work performed in Phase I to arrive at a finalized building program recommendation.

Below are the preliminary results presented to the City as part of Phase I.

Preliminary Building Program

- 3,000 to 3,500 fixed seats with additional berm seating
- 300 to 350 club seats
- 6 to 8 luxury suites
- 365 day calendar of events

CSL utilizes the estimated demand and building program to construct cost estimates and a financial model to estimate revenues, expenses and economic impacts generated by the development of a multi-purpose stadium.



ANCILLARY DEVELOPMENT POTENTIAL

CSL has had initial discussions with multiple developers, both local and regional, interested in the stadium development.

Below are some of their preliminary thoughts about the two potential sites:

Site 1

- Large investment required for developers
- Site “boxed-in” by furniture showrooms (less potential)
- Limited service hotels (off-site)
- 200+ residential units
- Restaurant / retail development more challenged
- 10+ years for full economic development buildout
- More participation required

Site 3

- Highest ancillary development potential (closer to core City assets)
- Easily convertible sites
- Limited service hotels (off-site)
- 200+ residential units
- Restaurant / retail development
- 7 to 10 years for full economic development buildout
- Partner participation required



FINANCIAL ANALYSIS

Process Overview

CSL will develop Excel-based models capable of sensitivity analysis for the various facility development scenarios, sizes and configurations as identified in the previous tasks.

The model assumptions will be based on the estimated levels of event utilization and attendance derived from the market analysis.

Revenues

- Ticket Sales;
- Rentals;
- Food and Beverage;
- Merchandise;
- Parking;
- Premium Seating;
- Sponsorships;
- Naming Rights;
- Other Revenues.

Expenses

- Team Expenses;
- Ballpark Operations;
- Event-Day Expenses;
- Rent/Lease Payments;
- Debt Service; and,
- Capital reserve.



ECONOMIC IMPACT

Process Overview

CSL will quantify the incremental economic and fiscal impacts anticipated to be associated with the construction and operations of the proposed multi-purpose stadium, as well as the economic and fiscal impacts anticipated to be associated with ancillary development opportunities around each potential site.

Economic and Fiscal Impacts

- Utilize IMPLAN economic modeling system to prepare economic and fiscal impacts
- Economic multipliers specific to the City of High Point
 - Total Output (Direct, Indirect and Induced spending)
 - Employment
 - Personal Earnings
- Direct Spending
 - Construction
 - Facility Operations
 - Ancillary Development
- Focus only on “net-new” spending
 - Leakage (outside High Point)
 - Displacement (would have occurred in the City regardless)
- Tax revenues (sales, property, others) that accrue to the City of High Point

ECONOMIC IMPACT

Multiplier Effect

THE MULTIPLIER EFFECT

Net New Direct Spending

Construction

Ongoing

Venue Revenues

Out-of-Venue Spending

Multiplier Effect

Indirect Spending

Food & Merchandise Wholesaler

Transport Company

Manufacturers

Energy/Utilities

Numerous Other Industries

Multiplier Effect

Induced Spending

Business Services

Household Spending

Governmental Spending

All Other Economic Sectors



PHASE II

Next Steps

1. Conduct market surveys with HiToms season ticket database;
2. Analyze survey results and estimate market demand;
3. Prepare finalized building program recommendations and cost estimates;
4. Prepare financial and economic impact model incorporating survey demand results and ancillary development potential;
5. Propose potential funding options
6. Present **draft** report to the Downtown Development Board by the **end of April**.



PHASE II UPDATE FOR HIGH POINT CITY COUNCIL



Mayor and Council,

Attached is the agenda for our Tuesday March 22, 2016 Council work session and Strategic Plan Meeting.

Thank you for your efforts in completion of the SWOT Analysis and Environmental Scan. This work will be a key element as we tackle the hard work of priorities and short and long term goals.

Meridith Elliott Powell will lead our strategic plan development efforts and the result of the day should be focused strategies, key goals and methods of accountability.

Our meeting will start at 8:00 and will be in the Board Room of High Point University's Plato Wilson building.

Our Budget Briefings over the past weeks were intended to provide Council with information and insight important to developing public policy decision for High Point's future.

Monday March 21, 2016 Mike McNair will present information on the past and future work of our Community Development group. We are reshaping the efforts of Community Development to assist and resolve issues we face in our Community. Monday's discussion will provide an overview of the issues and potential work plans for our future.

The work you complete at our retreat will be the foundation for our 2017 budget and focus the resources, efforts and work for the next 3 to 5 years.

Attending:

City Manager – Greg Demko
Deputy City Manager – Randy McCaslin
Assistant City Manager – Randy Hemann
City Attorney – JoAnne Carlyle
Budget Manager –Eric Olmedo
City Clerk – Lisa Vierling
Community Development Director – Mike McNair
Communications Director – Jeron Hollis
Hinds Sims – Citizen
Meredith Powell – Facilitator

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