

## RECORD OF MEETING

### Williston Comprehensive & Transportation Plan Update Focus Group for Williston and Missouri Ridge Townships

September 24, 2008 7:30 PM

Williston City Hall

Members in Attendance:

Dan Kalil  
Kelly Boone  
Jay Solem  
Bill Lynn  
Cindy Gray  
Rick Lane

Representing:

Williston Township  
Missouri Ridge Township  
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Introductions were made. Cindy and Rick explained that the purpose of the focus group meetings was to gather input from township representatives for use during the preparation of Williston's Comprehensive Plan and Transportation Plan. SRF explained that it is important to gain an understanding of township issues associated with city growth, and to discuss land use, the transportation system and how city growth and city traffic patterns are currently affecting townships roads, physical characteristics of the townships, and anything that relates to city growth and its relationship to the surrounding townships.

- The group discussed the potential for extending University Avenue out to the airport. University would make a good parallel route to Highway 2, but currently becomes a very poor route north of 26<sup>th</sup> Street, and ultimately goes through a neighborhood that is not inside city limits. Possible extension of University Avenue to the north would open new areas for housing.
- 13<sup>th</sup> Avenue NE is on a section line. The road curves to the west, away from the Little Muddy River north of 26<sup>th</sup> Street, and becomes 11<sup>th</sup> Avenue NE.
- At the north end of University Avenue, there is an unincorporated neighborhood that is not on city services. The septic systems in this area are in a very low area. Ultimately, city services would be the best solution for this area.

- Dapple Gray area likely to expand, with recent development application. This would generate more traffic in that area. There's a drainage area and high water table south of the Dapple Gray area.
- The area north of airport was platted in the 1950s but never fully developed.
- The Hagen family controls a significant amount of land west of the city. They will have a particular interest in the land use plan.
- Issues related to drainage, land use and access will need to be considered with regard to the future of the OK Tire Corner.
- Along Highway 85 just north of the Missouri River, Madison Ridge Subdivision has been proposed. Commercial land use is proposed along the east side of Highway 85 with single family residential lots to the east, behind the proposed commercial land. Likely going on rural water, with water supplied by City of Williston. Probably 115 houses. Maybe 5-10 building permits issued per year. Middle-high cost homes on lots of one acre or larger are expected.
- Williston, Missouri Ridge and Stony Creek Townships follow Williams County Zoning, as they do not have their own zoning ordinances.
- 26<sup>th</sup> Street West (township portion west of city limits) is in terrible condition. High truck volumes and traffic volumes in general being experienced.
- CR 4 to 26<sup>th</sup> Street W – is likely being used as an alternative route to avoid the weigh station at the intersection of Highway 2 and 85.