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Planning Commission hosts open house for 2015 master plan update

As part of continuing efforts to gather feedback for the 2015 master plan, Shelby Township and the Planning Commission are hosting an open house at 4 p.m. Oct. 28 for the 2015 master plan update.

The Planning Commission, with the assistance of LSL Planning, is updating the township's master plan seeking as much public input as possible through tools online surveys of the township's residents and business community and this latest opportunity for citizen engagement from 4 p.m. to 7 p.m. at Township Hall at 52700 Van Dyke Ave.

"The elected Board of Trustees, with insight from a Planning Commission that is made up of volunteer residents, guides the future of the township, and this open house allows out bosses, the voters and taxpayers, to give us one-on-one guidance," Township Supervisor Rick Stathakis said.

The open house is the latest step in the master plan process is expected to last until mid-2016. The update started with an online survey for residents and will be followed shortly by a similar survey for business owners.

"We've been very pleased with the feedback we've received with the online tools, and we're very excited about the possibilities represented by the open house," Planning Director Glenn Wynn said. "Our goal is to make this an interactive process that engages the public through multiple techniques, and the open house may be the most personal opportunity our community has to take part in the process."

Citizens are welcomed to stop by any time during the open house to interact with the Planning Commission and ask questions regarding the future of Shelby Township. Sharing ideas about just how residents envision the future of the township is encouraged.

"The master plan update is a natural extension of our annual community visioning process to set the year's priorities for local government," Stathakis said. "Where the vision sessions give us a to-do list for the next calendar year, the master plan process will shape how we seek to develop different portions of our township's infrastructure and economy."

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