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Upcoming Meetings & Events

Phase II Community Workshops:

- **Foster Community Center**
  January 14, 6:30-8:30 PM
- **Letts Community Center**
  January 19, 6:30-8:30 PM
- **Fenner Nature Center**
  January 21, 6:30-8:30 PM
- **South Side Community Center (Hill)**
  January 26, 6:30-8:30 PM

Design Lansing Survey Results:

When we look at the things people like most about Lansing, one frequent theme is "Lansing is a small town with a big city feel". Although Lansing is a city of a little over 100,000 residents, small as cities go, it has colleges, state government, several major corporations and institutions that insure we have amenities (theater, sports, arts, bookstores, music, restaurants) and services (health care, travel options, shopping choices) beyond what is usually available in a city this size.

This is not just perception. Marketing data indicates the mid-Michigan area in general has a fairly high level of demand for, and support of, such amenities and services. Just sometimes it's not as high as we hope it might be. Effective planning identifies and builds on such strengths.

Due to continued interest, Phase I "Workshop-In-a-Box" are still available to anyone interested in holding one in their area. Call 483-4066

What's Next?

The Master Plan process is expected to take over two years to complete. Community participation is the hallmark of a strong plan. **Phase I** of this process was the more than 30 Workshop In A Box meetings that have been taking place all over Lansing for the past six months.

Coming in January, Phase II, the next step in the process, will be four public workshops to engage citizens in discussions about specific planning topics. Those topics are: *Transportation, Land Use, Economic Development and Green Infrastructure.*

All of the meetings listed to the left are the same workshop, but offered in different locations and dates for the convenience of the participants. Find a date and place that works for you and please plan to attend!

(Watch for info on Phase III starting in February!)

What else is going on....

- *Greater Lansing Next*
  is a regional plan for strategic growth that lays out the priorities for action necessary for a better economic future and improved quality of life in our region.
  http://greaterlansingnext.com
- A collaborative Culture Economic Development Plan for Greater Lansing's Urban Center.
  http://www.lansingmi.gov/Lansing/pnd/planning/CulturalEconomicDevelopmentPlan.pdf

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