

January Public Meeting Highlights

A. Quality of Life

1. Considerations for younger families (single family homes, better school district) and older residents (townhouses and apartments) are important.
2. The school district is getting better and making progress but still has a long way to go. All communities need to work together
3. South Fayette School District is getting better faster than CVSD. What have they done?
4. Community involvement in the school district is very important. Improving the school district will improve property values
5. The worst or biggest problems for the future of the township are drilling, overpopulation and more traffic/cut through traffic
6. The most negative change over the past 10 years has been traffic.
7. People from the community shouldn't have to drive to the trail head; connectivity should be increased.
8. There is insufficient parking at the Panhandle Trail trail head.
9. Collier needs a strong vision for future recreation opportunities and development because this is a unifying force in the community.

B. Regional Competitiveness

1. The township's proximity to many places/things is important.
2. Protect the convenience of the community- this is at risk as the density builds i.e. Peter's Township is too crowded to get in and out.
3. Gateways are not reflective of the township character.
4. The township needs signage at the gateways; no one knows about Collier; increase visibility. Collier should be 'open for business.'
5. Keep Collier a secret.
6. Being part of CVSD decreases visibility.

C. Growth and Development

1. Properties are available along Washington Pike/Route 50.
2. Most of the roads within the township are county and state roads. The state of repair on these roads hinders development. This is a good thing. The economic engine of the township is at the edges.
3. Campbell's Run Road area is open for development.
4. The Central Valley could be developed.
5. Low population makes Collier a gem.
6. Retain the rural area at the center of the community; growth should only happen at the edge of the community
7. Growth is acceptable at the center of the township but plans for expansion should include generous setbacks to retain community character. Residents need to be able to access highways. The standard of development should be high.

8. Having Rennderdale Store is nice; more neighborhood commercial wouldn't hurt the community.
9. A nursing home/assisted living facility could benefit the township.
10. Rennerdale: preserve small town America.
11. Is there the possibility that the Trader Jacks site could it become a trucking terminal? It is a prime location for one. Are there strong enough ordinances in place to stop that from happening?
12. If the Trader Jacks site is redeveloped, it should be a commercial/retail space, mixed use development with green space, CVSD expansion, college/university satellite campus or office park. A highway exit would make this site more viable.
13. Much of the vacant land in the township is not developable.
14. Power lines in the Central Valley hinder development.
15. Steep slope protections help keep development from happening where it shouldn't; tie steep slope protections to the green space and connect/link together.

D. Governance

1. If the township needs commercial development to pay the bills, it needs sound planning so that development doesn't change the character of the neighborhood.
2. The township needs a joint vision with the neighbors for many things like fire halls, schools, etc.
3. Collier Stone creates mud on the road; there are too many trucks coming through the center of the community.

E. Communication

1. The township is not effective at getting the word out: people don't know about meetings, events, ordinance changes, etc.

F. Infrastructure

1. If Washington Pike/Route 50 remains 2 lanes in Bridgeville, the traffic problem will never be solved.
2. The township needs one good road to get in and out. The rest should remain rural in character.
3. Widening Vanadium Road could be a solution to Washington Pike traffic.
4. Collier needs smart/green growth with storm water management, less infrastructure with green space and high quality neighborhoods.
5. Connectivity is a problem: sidewalks and street trees are lacking; more street trees would create a big impact in retaining the small community feel.