

RESOLUTION 2007-____

TOWN OF ERIN PRAIRIE, ST. CROIX COUNTY, WISCONSIN

RESOLUTION ESTABLISHING PUBLIC
PARTICIPATION PROCEDURES FOR COMPREHENSIVE PLAN

WHEREAS, the Town of Erin Prairie has decided to prepare a comprehensive plan under the authority of Sec. 66.1001 Wis. Stats; and

WHEREAS, Sec. 66.1001, Wis. Stats, requires that the governing body of the local governmental unit adopt written procedures designed to foster public participation at every stage of comprehensive plan preparation, and that such written procedures shall provide for wide distribution of draft plan materials, an opportunity for the public to submit written and oral comments on the plan materials, and a process for the governing body to respond to such comments; and

WHEREAS, the Town of Erin Prairie believes that regular, meaningful public involvement in the comprehensive plan process is important to assure that the resulting plan meets the wished and expectations of the public; and

WHEREAS, the "Agreement for Professional Services" between the Town and Cedar Corporation, a consulting firm, includes written procedures to foster public participation, ensure wide distribution of draft plan materials, provide opportunities for written comments on such materials, and provide mechanisms to respond to such comments.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Town Board of the Town of Erin Prairie hereby adopts the written procedures included in the "Public Participation Plan" meeting the requirements of Sec. 66.1001, Wis. Stats. A copy of said procedure is attached as Exhibit A.

Adopted this 10th day of Oct, 2007.

TOWN OF ERIN PRAIRIE


John VanDyk, Town Chair

ATTEST:

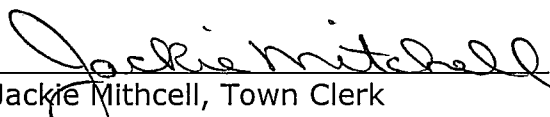

Jackie Mithcell, Town Clerk

EXHIBIT A PUBLIC PARTICIPATION PLAN

The following methods will be used, when practical, to foster public participation and input for the Town of Erin Prairie Comprehensive Plan.

- Newsletters: The Town will include an informational newsletter in all property tax statements.
- Press Releases: Press releases will be sent periodically to the New Richmond News and the Baldwin Bulletin.
- Websites: The Town will utilize a website and post drafts of the Comprehensive Plan.
- Open Houses: An open house will be used to educate and gather input on the more important issues.
- Public Meetings: The public is invited to attend all Plan Commission meetings.
- Public Hearing: A public hearing will be held. The hearing allows residents to express their views and offer comments before adoption of the comprehensive plan.
- Cognitive Mapping: Cognitive mapping allows participants to responding to a question by drawing or placing a mark on a map.

The Town of Erin Prairie is not limited to the public participation methods listed above and may engage in other methods not identified here as the planning process moves forward.