

CENTRE REGIONAL PLANNING COMMISSION

MEETING SUMMARY OF THE AUGUST 7, 2025 MEETING



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The CRPC took action on the following items:

RESOLUTION FOR PENNDOT CRPC MASTER GRANT AGREEMENTS

CRPC voted to approve the 2025 resolution, which authorizes the CRPA Director Pam Adams to execute Master Grant Agreements and/or periodic work orders with PennDOT, and special purpose legal agreements with PennDOT and other public agencies, as needed for the CRPA's completion of work tasks on behalf of the CCMPO.

HARRIS TOWNSHIP CH. 12 ZONING ORDINANCE REPEAL & REPLACE

CRPC supported the proposed amendments to Harris Township's Chapter 12 Zoning Ordinance, aimed at updating minor technical and grammatical errors staff have tracked over the past several years. These amendments aim to ensure legal clarity, administrative consistency, and public trust. Because ordinances are legal documents, precise language helps avoid misinterpretation and reduces the risk of legal challenges.

HARRIS TOWNSHIP CORRIDOR OVERLAY ZONING DISTRICT (COD)

CRPC supported the proposed amendments to the Corridor Overlay Zoning District (COD) and expressed concerns regarding pedestrian and roadway safety as it relates to street lighting. Specifically, the Commission emphasized the importance of considering the placement of trees in relation to street lights to avoid obstructing light coverage. They recommended selecting tree species with full maturation size in mind to ensure that street lighting remains effective over time.

CRPC held discussions and provided feedback on the following items:

COMPREHENSIVE PLAN - FLUM & TREND REPORTS

Community feedback is currently being gathered on the Future Land Use Map (FLUM), both through community outreach and online engagement.

LUCI received trend reports that will be useful guides in the comprehensive planning process to develop proactive strategies and anticipate future needs.

The following are the Trend Reports:

- Existing Land Use
- Housing
- Demographics
- Transportation
- Open Space, Preserved Land, and Farmland
- Economic Development
- Climate Change and Local Energy Infrastructure*

*currently in development

**The CRPC is
scheduled to meet
next on September
4, 2025 at 7:00 p.m.**

PHASES	1 - FORMATION	2 - BIG IDEAS	3 - OPTIONS	4 - REFINE	5 - REVIEW & ADOPT
PURPOSE	Build Framework; Form Values & Vision	Confirm Values & Vision; Gather Input for Big Ideas; Form Big Ideas	Discuss Options for Growth Strategy; Create Goals and Strategies for Big Ideas	Gather Feedback; Reach Consensus on Elements	Plan Adoption Process
GENERAL PLAN ACTIVITIES	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ✔ Confirm approach ✔ Survey & Input Map Creation ✔ Start Data & Resource Compilation / Map Updates ✔ Research and Compile Best Practices for Comp. Plans ✔ Launch Website & Create PR Materials ✔ Draft Values & Vision ✔ Compile Stakeholder & Interested Parties Lists 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ✔ Continue Data Collection, Resource Compilation & Map Updates, and Analyze ✔ Create Trend Reports ✔ Form Big Ideas ✔ Draft Values and Vision Sections ✔ Draft Initial & Big Idea Sections ✔ Create & Launch Second Mapping Outreach Effort 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ✔ Complete Data Collection & Analysis ✔ Complete Resource Compilation & Map Updates ✔ Form Goals & Strategies ✔ Draft Goals & Strategies Sections ✔ Form Metrics & Implementation Measures ✔ Future Land Use Map Updates 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ✔ Confirm Big Ideas, Goals, & Strategies ✔ Refine Sections as Needed ✔ Draft Metrics & Implementation Measures ✔ Finalize Maps, Graphics, & Format ✔ Final Draft Completed 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ✔ Public Review as required by Pennsylvania Municipalities Planning Code (including Centre County, adjacent counties and municipalities) ✔ Individual Municipal Adoption with Public Hearings
COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT AND MEETINGS	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ✔ LUCl & CRPC – Approach ✔ LUCl & CRPC – Survey Creation / Phase 1 Outreach Plan ✔ General Forum - Overview ✔ Municipal PCs – Overview ✔ Municipal PCs – Activity ✔ LUCl – Activity ✔ Stakeholder Meetings / Listening Sessions ✔ Community events ✔ Survey Marketing ✔ LUCl & CRPC – Survey Data ✔ LUCl & CRPC – Values & Vision ✔ Newsletter/PR 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ✔ LUCl & CRPC – Big Ideas Formation ✔ Municipal PCs – Summarize Outreach, Confirm Values & Vision, Discuss Big Ideas & Next Steps (including mapping effort) ✔ LUCl & CRPC – Big Ideas Finalization ✔ LUCl & CRPC – Discuss Plan Structure ✔ LUCl & CRPC – Trends, Data, Mapping, & Resources ✔ LUCl & CRPC – Future Land Use Map Discussion ✔ Newsletter/PR 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ✔ Focus Groups ✔ Open House Events in Each Municipality - Future Land Use Map & Goals/Strategies Focused ✔ Municipal PCs – Input on Future Land Use Map ✔ LUCl & CRPC – Future Land Use Map ✔ LUCl & CRPC - Discussion on Metrics & Implementation Measures ✔ LUCl & CRPC – Set Policies & Strategies ✔ Newsletter/PR 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ✔ LUCl & CRPC – Confirm Metrics & Implementation Measures ✔ LUCl & CRPC – Set Prioritizations ✔ LUCl & CRPC – Review of Final Draft Sections ✔ Municipal Joint Governing Body and PC Meetings ✔ Newsletter/PR 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ✔ LUCl & CRPC – Recommendation ✔ Executive Committee ✔ General Forum – Refer to Municipalities ✔ Municipal PCs ✔ Municipal Governing Body Meetings

