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CITY OF KINGSTON COMPREHENSIVE PLAN PUBLIC INFORMATION MEETING

Kingston, NY – December 2012 - The City of Kingston Comprehensive Plan Committee has initiated a program to inform the public about the project status and process and also to obtain comment and opinion from City residents, business owners, and stakeholders. Chairman James L. Noble, Jr., Alderman-at-Large, announces that a public meeting will be held on January 31, 2013 and a public opinion survey is available on the City's website.

“With this initiative, the City will position itself for a future which addresses balanced growth and development, respecting multiple community assets, opportunities and sustainable practices. In addition, an updated, current Comprehensive Plan will assist in obtaining funding opportunities to address necessary infrastructure and community needs,” commented Chairman James Noble.

The public meeting will be conducted at City Hall on Thursday, January 31, 2013 at 6:00 PM. The meeting will not only present and provide information regarding the comprehensive planning program but, will be organized to afford residents an opportunity to participate in active round table discussion. The forum will allow participants to provide opinions that will be used during preparation of the plan.

A Public Opinion Survey is posted on the City's website, www.kingston-ny.gov. It provides an opportunity for residents and business people to express their opinions regarding Kingston's strengths and weaknesses, priorities for action, and specific concerns and recommendations.

Mayor Shayne R. Gallo states, “Kingston has embarked on a new citywide revitalization campaign under my administration. An updated Comprehensive Plan will set forth our community's vision for the future of Kingston and become a tool that can be utilized to guide development, set growth priorities and make our community a destination for residents, tourists and businesses.”

The Comprehensive Plan process was authorized by the City Council in 2011 and a committee, chaired by Pres. Noble, was appointed to guide the program. The City Planning Office, under Planning Director, Suzanne Cahill, is responsible for administering the program. Planning Consultants Shuster-Turner of Stone Ridge were selected to assist the City and entered into a contract in May of 2012.

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