



South Madison Update

Community planning with you

October 2019

Issue 1

Background

Over the next year the City will be working on an update to the 2005 *South Madison Plan*. We will be engaging residents, businesses, and other stakeholders to identify challenges and opportunities for South Madison. Whether you are a resident living in Bram's Addition, Burr Oaks, Capital View, or Town of Madison, we would like to hear from you! We need your input on topics like affordable housing, displacement, transportation, community facilities to name a few. This plan will provide the opportunity to crystallize ideas into formal recommendations for South Madison.

Past Events

Community Impact Session 1

The South Madison Plan update kicked-off on September 19 with a community gathering at the Catholic Multicultural Center. We heard what was important to participants: displacement, affordable housing, pedestrian safety, neighborhood businesses to name a few. Public input gathered at this meeting will be used to help shape the Plan.

You are invited to the next community gathering on October 24, 6:00 – 7:45 pm, see upcoming events below. Participants will be sharing their vision and shared values for South Madison.



Art and Placemaking Walk - 9/24/19

How can we harness the energy of local creatives to stimulate business, inspire innovation, increase diversity and strengthen civic engagement? Ten interested artists and residents walked along S Park Street and Wingra Creek brainstorming ideas to tap into the unique character of the Southside. The group explored ways to make the corridor more comfortable and inviting for residents. It was a lively conversation that put art, design, innovation, and the natural environment at the center and it will be continued on October 22, South Madison Library @ 6pm.

Bike and Talk

- Bike and talk event was held on 9/28.
- 11 people from the community participated.
- Feedback received at the event is posted to the South Madison Plan webpage : cityofmadison.com/southmadisonplan



Community News

Art Trading Post Unveiled

We want to get your ideas of what your community is or can be through your creative expression. Stop down at the South Madison Library, open the door of the art trading post, take a piece of art and leave a poem, drawing, idea, lyric, or other expression of what the southside means to you. Many thanks to artists Derek Hibbs and Andy Villanueva for constructing and supplying the “trading post” - please stop by to contribute your ideas and feel free to take a work or art that has been left for you. The art trading post will be moving to another southside location every month so get to it now and we'll tell you where it will pop up in November.

Supported by: Madison Arts Commission



Community Outreach

Neighborhood Action Team

The City of Madison is trying something new to better engage with residents who have historically been underrepresented in discussions about Madison's future. The City is partnering with Catholic Multicultural Center, Nehemiah, and NewBridge to proactively reach South Madison's communities of color, lower income residents, renters, and other residents whose voices are often missing from the community conversation. Neighborhood Action Team meetings will include in depth discussions about various issues to be addressed in the update to the South Madison Plan.

Neighborhood Ambassadors

The most important part of creating a neighborhood plan is to hear from you. Four neighborhood residents will be getting the word out about the planning process over the next few months. These Neighborhood Ambassadors will be asking what is important, what to keep and what changes would benefit the community, and how Southside residents want to get involved. Please contact neighborhoods@cityofmadison.com if you would like to invite neighborhood ambassadors to drop off information about the planning process or talk with your group about the future of South Madison. Many thanks to the Southside Neighborhood Resource Team for their support.

Upcoming Events

Join us at upcoming events! Bring your family, friends & neighbors

Art and Placemaking Session 2

Tuesday, October 22, 6:00 - 7:45 pm
South Madison Library
2222 S Park Street

Community Impact Session 2

Visioning & Guiding Principles
Thursday, October 24, 6:00 - 7:45 pm
Urban League of Greater Madison
2222 S Park Street

Community Impact Session 3

Key Issues, Strategies & Solutions
Thursday, November 21, 6:00 - 7:45 pm
Village on Park (Atrium)
2300 S Park Street

Let us know about upcoming neighborhood events.

What we can do to connect with the community? Email us at: neighborhoods@cityofmadison.com