

Lincoln's Comprehensive Long Range Planning Committee
FACTS Subcommittee breakout session notes
February 9th, 2008

Overall:

- Great input from the two breakout sessions
- Much discussion about projects vs. processes
- Everyone has their pet projects
- Much desire for better communication and coordination ("remove silo thinking") utilizing web & email in addition to the Lincoln Journal
- Encouragement to regionalize our efforts as much as possible
- Observation that the original goal of SOTT was to prioritize issues such as those under the FACTS purview

Services:

- 1) Service mix should continue to change in order to reflect the changing needs of the town
- 2) We should distinguish "must haves" from "like to have"
- 3) Recognize that some of the benefit of services that the town provides is better community involvement

Facilities:

- 1) We should strive to provide the most modest facilities that meet the needs of the town
- 2) Our facilities don't need to be gold plated
- 3) Facilities should always have a strong bias toward multi-use design elements
- 4) Recognize that municipal facilities say a lot about a community – aspirational design elements are important

Transportation:

- 1) Utilize or participate in regional networks as much as possible (including public-private partnerships such as the 128 business council)
- 2) Continue to emphasize paths and trails as a part of the transportation infrastructure
- 3) "push back" on conventional notions about what we can control, e.g. the state can call all the shots on state roads
- 4) Create incentives for using existing transportation infrastructure, such as the school buses, the train, etc.