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EASTERN RACINE COUNTY TRANSPORTATION TASK FORCE ANNOUNCED

Group will explore the future of transportation in eastern Racine County

Racine – As Racine County prepares for tremendous growth in the coming years, County Executive Jonathan Delagrave is convening a group of community leaders to explore the future of transportation in eastern Racine County.

Facilitated by the Wisconsin Department of Transportation, the Eastern Racine County Transportation Task Force's work comes as the transformational Foxconn development moves forward in Mount Pleasant. The task force will inform the State on practical, pragmatic solutions to two central challenges: How to ease the east-west travel time in eastern Racine County, and how to get people to the influx of new jobs.

Voting members of the task force include eastern Racine County governmental leaders. Additionally, to inform and advise both the task force and WisDOT on important issues and considerations regarding transportation needs, an advisory committee comprised of key transportation stakeholders, experts and advocates will be invited to join the discussion at the meetings.

"We are amid an historic moment in Racine County. It's extremely important we plan carefully to take full advantage of the unprecedented opportunities ahead of us," Delagrave said. "We've brought together a wide-ranging group to do important work over the next several months, and I'm looking forward to seeing the group's recommendations to the State."

Eastern Racine County Transportation Task Force meetings are open to the community. The first meeting will be held at 5 p.m. Thursday, March 22, at the Ives Grove Office Complex, 14200 Washington Ave., Yorkville. Subsequent meetings will be held in April, May, and June on the third Thursday of each month.

Eastern Racine County Transportation Task Force members are Delagrave, Racine Mayor Cory Mason, Caledonia Village President Jim Dobbs, Mount Pleasant Village President Dave DeGroot, Sturtevant Village President Jayme Hoffman, County Board Chairman Russell Clark, and former Wispark President Jerry Franke.

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