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Let's Talk - Host a Coffee Klatch

Would you like to host a Coffee Klatch to review and comment on the 2010 Draft Comprehensive Plan Map? This spring you are invited to host or attend an informal meeting where your neighbors and friends discuss this important effort in an informal setting. Councilors and staff are available for these community-based discussions following on the model employed in 2006.

Twenty-nine citizens hosted Coffee Klatches in 2006, including more than 400 of their neighbors. Participants commented that they liked the meeting format, saying it was “informal and not intimidating.” Coffee Klatches were approximately an hour-and-a-half, a small group (5-15 people), and held in community members’ homes or businesses. Members of the City Council attended and a facilitator was on hand to help guide discussion if needed and take notes.

A City Councilor and a staff person will meet with you and your neighbors to hear what you have to say, share the latest information, and be on hand to help record questions, concerns and recommendations on the draft map and the future of Damascus. The meetings are expected to last 90 minutes to two hours, up to the host.

If you are interested in hosting a Coffee Klatch this spring, please name the date, location and time of your preference. City Hall is available if you prefer to host a meeting outside of your home. If you prefer to simply attend a Coffee Klatch rather than host one, please let us know and we will match you up with a Coffee Klatch in your area. Please contact Theresa Nation at tnation@ci.damascus.or.us or 658-8545 for more information or to schedule an event.