

Thursday, July 18, 2022

Far East Community Area Planning Team Meeting #2

Attendees:

David Powell-CoSA Channary Gould-CoSA Jay Renkens- MIG Matt Porsser- EPS Anita Franklin- Dell Crest Area NA Elliot Rogers- Board of Directors Pamela Ray- Roseville Housing Trust Board

Gretchen Roufs- Public Engagment Subconsultant Krystin Ramirez- MIG Major Neeley- Martindale Airport

Karen Bishop- SARA Christine Vina-VIA Miss Neka- Black Business SA Edwin Miles- Alamo City Black CC Chris Ryerson- CoSA

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Draft Vision & Goals Discussion:

Draft Vision

The Far East Community Area is comprised of safe and inviting neighborhoods with diverse, quality, and affordable options for housing, dining, shopping, medical services, healthy food, and community gathering spaces, all organized around quality parks and the area's own walkable arts, entertainment and shopping district. Residents of all ages and incomes can get around easily using well-lit and well-maintained sidewalks, trails, bicycle facilities, and transit amenities lined with trees and landscaping, green stormwater treatments, and

Draft Goals

- Improve comfort and safety throughout the area with improved lighting, signage, and enhancement of parks, trails, sidewalks, and other community assets.
- Increase access to healthy food and health care for all residents.
- Facilitate development patterns that include local employment and entertainment opportunities in one or more mixed use urban centers that are highly walkable and connected.
- Increase equitable access to parks, open space, trails, community gathering facilities, and recreational amenities.
- Create housing, employment, goods and services that serve, support and are accessible to a variety of income levels and age groups.
- Encourage commercial development to be less auto-oriented and more walkable and provide a greater diversity of locally serving restaurant and retail options.

Vision addresses the needs of the Far East Community.	Crucial for people to understand intent of the vision and goals	Goal #2- Reference District 2's break down for access to food. Provide food and diverse options that are comparable with and reflect the community.	Need to expand on "Housing" term and intent	Concern about healthcare access. Every day residents to do not have access to SAMMC and have to go downtown or the northside to receive care.	
Vision covered a lot and is a little long, but addresses needs.	Confirmation that vision and goals draft hits all the points.	Goal #2- Area east of Foster Rd is lacking access to healthcare. There are no emergency clinics. This area is lacking healthcare facilities.	Need to ensure greenery/ yard/ open space is preserved or provided within new housing developments.	Perhaps insert "destination" at mixed use to capture Pearl concept.	
Introduce the term	Goal #3: Include walkable arts district	Goals: Showcase the history of the area. Perhaps there is a need for an Eastside Museum			

public art.

- Improve comfort, safety and aesthetics throughout the Far East Area with treelined streets, other urban greening, and integration of sustainable infrastructure.
- Expand the amount and variety of multi-modal networks throughout the Far East Area.



Focus Area Identification:

Parameter Park Blvd	Upper Segurn Rd Upper Segurn Rd N Graytown Rd Occupied Control of the segurn Rd	Land Ownership in the Area: Analysis on ownership needed since organizations own land that could help form partnerships	Need a Dunkin Donuts	Take a look at primary truck routes especially near light industrial facilities	Create an entertainment facility for community events
Winans Rd Winans Rd Ww White Rd Ww White Rd Ww White Rd Winans Rd Provide Stars Provide S	HEB Owned Parcels Century Communities	Community Gardens: Opportunities to create new ones or highlight existing community gardens	Urban Agriculture: uses (Greenhouse, Indoor Growing, Urban Farm) are allowed as either permitted or specific uses in all residential and non- residential zoning districts. Let's explore in a variety of	Look at introducing/ improving community centers	Elementary school that is vacant has potential as well as other vacant parcels along



	Let's explore in a variety of areas throughout the Far East, as appropriate and desired by the community.		WW White
The area west of 410 along Houston has potential for ART facility and line. This area could be an activity center.	Need to include arts/culture to showcase the communities uniqueness	Create an area like Brooks City Base	Need better shopping facilities in the area
E. Houston & 410 with crossing of 90/ 10 is good location for redevelopment	City/Community Partners: Could reach out to partners for insight on what helps make a site work as a long-term success.	Need to attract business to existing strip malls	China Grove area could be more of a mobility hub.





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