

## PLANNING TEAM MEETING DIGITAL DESIGN CHARETTE SUMMARY

### Far East Community Area Plan

**Meeting Date:** April 10th, 2023  
**Time:** 9:00 am – 12:00 pm  
**Location:** Zoom

#### Planning Team Attendees

Anita Franklin, Dellcrest Area Neighborhood  
Brad Alm, HEB  
Christine Viña, VIA  
Tina Beecham, PedalSATX  
Dwayne Robinson, MLK Commission Chair

Karen Bishop, SA River Authority  
Lindsey Logan, SAGE  
Uchennaya Ogba, EHCUC Public Relations  
Isaac Levy, CoSA Transportation  
Sarah Woeppel, CoSA Economic Development

#### Planning Staff & Consultant Team

Krystin Ramirez, Project Manager (MIG)  
Chris Ryerson, Planning Administrator (CoSA)  
Dave Powell, Project Manager (CoSA)

Saul Vazquez, Senior Project Associate (MIG)  
Jay Renkens, Principal (MIG)  
Evan Lanning, Senior Project Associate (MIG)

#### Meeting Objectives:

The purpose of the Digital Design Charette Work Session was to initiate conversation and conceptualize two sites within the Far East Community Area to help visualize future amenities, spaces, and places. Each site had approximately an hour and half (1:30) for discussion where project consultants assisted in gathering input from the Planning Team to render in real time initial visualizations of each area.

#### Meeting Format

The meeting began with a recap of the project team and a brief review of the previously identified focus areas and draft future land use map. We then went over the first Digital Design Charrette (DDC) site and Project Manager, Dave Powell, provided an overview of the site and the key elements entailed with it. Additionally, Dave provided guidance to how this area could be visualized and key considerations to take into account. This included providing examples of previous DDC designs, SA Tomorrow Place Types, and green infrastructure strategies. Thereafter, Brad Alm, from HEB provided an overview of their property that is adjacent to the site and how this site could integrate with theirs. The Planning Team then provided feedback and input pertaining to the first site where MIG staff visually rendered comments in live time. After discussion of the first DDC site, the Project Manager provided an overview of the second DDC Site, which lead to discuss amongst the Planning Team. MIG scribed input and visualized feedback in real time utilizing Adobe Photoshop and SketchUp.

## Digital Design Charrette – Site 1 Discussion (East Loop 410 & Rosillo Creek)

### General Comments:

- 180 acres
- Adjacent to industrial and commercial areas
- Rosillo Creek greenway
- HEB owned land east of creek with potential additional uses

### Planning Team Input/Comments:

- Entertainment type development
- Restaurants
- Child-care facilities
- Consider placement of transit
- “Mini” outdoor mall/shopping center with restaurants and services
- Maintain natural buffer around Rosillo Creek
- Creek trails and bike share in area – provide options for multi-modal transportation
- Medical facilities (Hospital)
- Fitness center
- Traffic gardens
- Indoor and outdoor recreation areas
- Area for soccer/football/ frisbee
- Senior living and green living with amenities catered to residents
- Connection to neighborhood should be off Houston St. or Rigsby
- Incorporate variety of housing types
- Consider access into site
- Potential access from trail to HEB development and connection to DDC site
- Potential trail access along Rosillo Creek







### Next Steps

- **Community Open House: Tuesday, May 23<sup>rd</sup>, 2023** – 5:30 PM to 7:30 PM, Copernicus Community Center (5003 Lord Rd.)
- **Planning Team Mixer: TBA** - 6:00 pm to 8:00 pm via local restaurant (TBA)
- **Planning Team Meeting 8: Tuesday, June 27<sup>th</sup>, 2023** – 3:30 pm to 5:30 pm via Zoom

The meeting summary, presentation, and Mural board will be shared to the Documents Library on the Far East Community Plan Area website in the coming days: <https://fareast.sacompplan.com/> Please contact the project manager if you have any questions.

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