

# PLANNING TEAM MEETING #11 SUMMARY

# Far East Community Area Plan

Meeting Date: April 28, 2025

Time: 1:00 pm – 3:00 pm
Location: Zoom (Virtual)

#### **Planning Team Attendees**

Anita Franklin, Dellcrest Area NA Renee Watson, Bexar County

Dwayne Robinson, MLK Commission Chair

Kizzie Thomas, Essence Prep

Tina Beecham, Black Girls do Bike/Pedal SATX

Jacob Floyd, CoSA Neighborhood Housing

**Services Department** 

Isaac Levy, CoSA Transportation Department

Jessica Sifuentes, VIA

Ada Hoyle, Eastwood Village NA Mrs. Gallon, Eastwood Village NA

Keith Benavidez, HEB Lindsey Logan, SAGE

Rose Williams, Big Mama's Safe House

#### **Planning Staff & Consultant Team**

Marco Hinojosa, Project Manager (MIG)

Dave Powell, Project Manager – Far East

Chris Ryerson, Planning Administrator (CoSA) Community Area Plan (CoSA)

## **Meeting Objectives:**

The purpose of the 11th Planning Team Meeting was to initiate conversation on the initial draft Far East Community Area Plan and to highlight the results of the 4<sup>th</sup> community-wide open house. In addition, review the public discussion draft plan and seek additional feedback from Planning Team members regarding the draft plan. The Project Manager, David Powell, also shared next steps associated with the planning process.

#### **Meeting Format**

The meeting began with a recap of the SA Tomorrow planning process and a timeline of meetings conducted to date. A review of outreach was presented to the Planning Team by Project Manager, David Powell. This included an overview of previous planning team meetings, online surveys, and community meetings. Thereafter, the Project Manager reviewed the current content within the draft Far East Community Area Plan and highlighted the draft plan outline and implementation priorities. A review of the community meeting #4 results was also presented to the planning team. This included an overview of the meeting format and number of attendees who participated in the meeting. Additionally, the Project Manager highlighted comments that were received by the public for each of the plan topic areas (Land Use, Housing, Economic Development, Mobility, Amenities and Public Space, and Focus Areas). The Project Manager also presented on likely edits to the draft plan based on public comments from the 4<sup>th</sup> community-wide meeting where then Planning Team members were asked to provide their feedback

towards the draft plan. A summary of comments received by the Planning Team are shown below on page 2 of this document. Once comments were received by the Planning Team, the Project Manager overviewed next steps associated with the planning process.

# **Public Discussion Draft Plan - Discussion**

#### **Land Use Comments:**

No comments received.

## **Housing Comments:**

No comments received.

### **Economic Development Comments:**

• Facade improvements for business owners included as strategy. Create more outreach to bring awareness to business owner about these programs. (More important for auto repair shops)

## **Mobility Comments:**

- Enhancements of MLK Drive Near Eva Jo Drive and West of MLK Academy.
- Extend proposed MLK project to at least WW White Road.
- Leverage other investments and plans for MLK Drive.
- Apply MLK design concepts to other higher traffic streets like WW White Road.
- Create spaces in roads like WW White Road to allow drivers to safely pass VIA buses.
- Look at past examples for improvements for other state roads like Broadway.
- Crosswalk at WW White Road near HEB in front of school has caused problems.

#### **Focus Area Comments:**

• No comments received for specific Focus Areas.

## **Amenities and Public Space Comments:**

Look at businesses and physical improvements that create obstructions.

#### Other Comments:

• Gather all the neighborhood association leaders together to discuss future opportunities for the Far East CAP.



## **Next Steps**

# • Administrative Draft Plan Compilation

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

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