

OPEN HOUSE MEETING SUMMARY

South Community Area Community Meeting #1

Meeting Date: May 12, 2022

Time: 5:30 pm – 7:30 pm

Location: Stinson Municipal Airport Conference Center, 8535 Mission Rd.

Planning Staff & Consultant Team

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Meeting Objectives:

The purpose of the first Community Meeting was to gather input, from the public, to begin the development of the community's vision for the plan area. Several engagement activities, facilitated by Planning staff, were available for participants to record their feedback. The project manager was also conversing with attendees, at various stations, throughout the meeting.

Meeting Format

The meeting had no formal presentation and was entirely open-house. At the entrance to the conference room, a sign-in table was set up where attendees were encouraged to sign in and sign up for updates related to future public meetings, as well as general infographics related to the plan area and the SA Tomorrow planning process. The conference room was also organized with stations to collect input and ideas, from the attendees, for the future of the area. During the meeting, the Planning Department's Assistant Director gave a brief overview of the SA Tomorrow Plan and the Sub Area Planning process, and introduced the Project Manager to the group. The Project Manager explained that the sub area planning process is a 2 year process, and this is the beginning of public engagement and that there would be additional opportunities to provide feedback as the process continued.

Equity Maps

As part of the City of San Antonio's commitment to equity, the Planning department is incorporating Equity studies into the plan. Maps of the entire city were displayed and highlighted the sub area's equity score, access to grocery stores, employment, and access to Parks and Recreation options. Staff explained how through Equity Mapping, the planning team and staff can begin to identify underserved areas, and ultimately develop recommendations and strategies to address inequities within the plan boundary.

Demographic Maps

The next station had two infographics that showed employment, population, and housing data. The data included the total population, housing and household growth. The employment board displayed the total employment, as well as the largest employment sectors, wage distribution, education and commuting patterns.

Vision Board

A visioning station was set up for participants to write down what they enjoy, what's missing, or what they would like to change about the area. Stock images of development types, land uses, and amenities were provided to help participants illustrate their ideas. Attendees were encouraged by staff to write their feedback on paper and attach their responses to the board.

Survey Station

A table was organized with several iPads for attendees to complete the online survey through the South Community Area Website: <https://south.sacompplan.com/>

The survey asked respondents to provide their answer: *“What do you like most about this area?”*, *“What is missing from this area?”*, *“What would you change about the community so that it attracts future generations?”*, *“What is your vision of what are your ‘big ideas’ for the future of the area?”* Additional, optional, questions asked participants how long they've lived in the area, as well as their neighborhood.

The survey will close on Sunday, May 29th and is available on the sub area website or through the SA speak up link: <https://saspeakup.com/south-plan-survey>

Big Idea

The final station asked participants to write down their “big idea” for the future of the area. The responses were intended to provide broad direction for what the future of the South Community Area could look like in the future.

Next Steps

Staff will review feedback from the community meeting and the survey results (after the survey closes) to develop the draft vision and goals before being reviewed and discussed by the Planning Team at the next Planning Team meeting.

Planning Team Meeting #2: Monday, June 27th

5:30-7:30 pm. Mission Library, North Meeting Room, 3134 Roosevelt Rd

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