

OPEN HOUSE MEETING SUMMARY

Stone Oak Area Regional Center Community Meeting #1

Meeting Date: May 17, 2022

Time: 5:30 pm – 7:30 pm

Location: Wayside Chapel Worship Center, 1300 Evans Road

Planning Staff & Consultant Team

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Meeting Purpose

The purpose of the first community meeting was to gather input from the public so that vision and goals statements could be prepared for the plan area. Several engagement activities, facilitated by Planning staff, were available for participants to record their feedback. Meeting attendees conversed with Planning staff to learn more about the planning process, ask specific questions about the Stone Oak Area Regional Center, and provide their input about a vision for this Regional Center.

Meeting Format

The meeting had no formal presentation and was entirely open-house. At the entrance, a sign-in table was set up where attendees were encouraged to sign in and sign up for updates related to future public meetings, and obtain handouts related to the plan, the planning process, and SA Tomorrow. The meeting format included stations with display boards that had information related to the planning process, the Regional Center, and activity stations to collect input and ideas from meeting attendees regarding what they like about the plan area, what is missing, and what they would like to see in the future.

Equity Maps

As part of the City of San Antonio's commitment to equity, the Planning department is incorporating equity related information into the plan. Maps of the entire city were displayed that showed information related to access to grocery stores, employment, and access to parks, trails, and recreational 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 Information

Information related to employment, population, and housing data for the Stone Oak Area Regional Center were also displayed during the meeting to help meeting attendees understand existing conditions for this Regional Center area compared to the larger City and/or the San Antonio metropolitan statistical area. The demographic information included statistics related to total population, housing, total employment, as well as the largest employment sectors, wage distribution, education and commuting patterns for the Regional Center.

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 three iPads for attendees to complete the online survey through the Stone Oak Area Regional Center website: <https://stoneoak.sacomplan.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?"*

The survey will close on Monday, July 4, 2022.

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 Stone Oak 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. Results will be provided in a summary document that will be uploaded onto the website for the Stone Oak Area Regional Center.

Planning Team Meeting #2: Thursday, June 30, 2022, Virtual via Zoom

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