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Stone Oak Area Regional Center

Planning Team Meeting #9

Updated Mobility Recommendations, Updated APS Map and Draft Strategies, Overview of NPP

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Today's Objective

Updated Mobility Recommendations: Review updated mobility recommendations, and introduction of the draft mobility map and graphics

Updated Amenities & Public Spaces Map and Draft Strategies: Review updated Amenities & Public Spaces map and introduction of draft strategies

Overview of Neighborhood Profile and Priorities: Overview and status update of the NPP along with review of overarching themes

Vision

The Stone Oak Area Regional Center maintains its natural integrity with ample natural parks and trails, open space, and trees and is well-served with local shops, restaurants, employment and entertainment organized into walkable community hubs supported with resilient infrastructure and connected by a multi-modal roadway and trail network that respects the area's natural systems and topography.

Goals

Goal 1: Promote development, programming and design that encourages walkability in key areas and is compatible with existing neighborhoods and the natural landscape.

Goal 2: Facilitate development patterns that include local employment and entertainment opportunities in highly walkable and connected activity centers with a variety of amenities catering to different lifestyles.

Goal 3: Increase the number and diversity of housing opportunities while preserving natural and improved parks and open space interspersed throughout the area to create connectivity for multi-modal transportation options.

Goal 4: Ensure transportation and other infrastructure is designed to minimize impacts on the natural landscape and implemented prior to or concurrently with new development.

Goal 5: Increase equitable access to parks, open space, trails and diverse recreational amenities throughout the Regional Center.

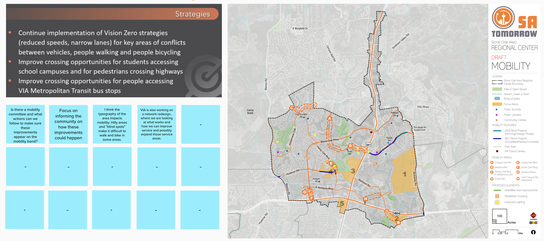
Goal 6: Create housing, employment, goods and services that serve, support and are accessible to youth, families and older adults.

Goal 7: Incorporate environmentally friendly and sustainable development practices to balance growth and preserving natural resources such as groundwater conservation and natural landscaping.

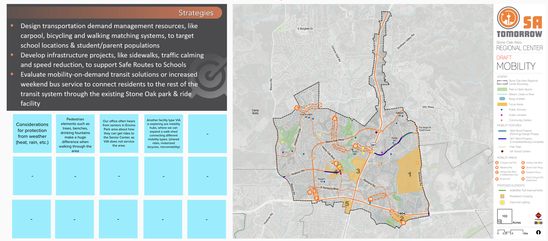
Goal 8: Create a business-friendly environment that attracts corporations of varying sizes to provide diverse employment opportunities and encourage higher education facilities to locate in the Stone Oak Area Regional Center to broaden educational opportunities for residents.

Overall Mobility Recommendations Comments

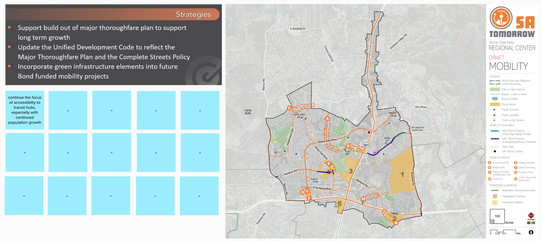
Prioritize Safe Mobility for All



Focus on Accessibility for Youth, Families and Older Adults to Key Destinations



Support Future Growth with Complete & Connected Transportation Network



Mobility Sketches Comments

TPC Pkwy & Bulverde

50 many students and families would be really happy with these recommendations applied

TPC pkwy sketch: connections to neighborhoods & easier for people to come in and out of schools

TPC pkwy: student fatality just south of this location

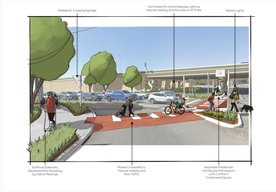
TPC pkwy: bulverde rd as a key with drivers not conforming to posted speed limits

TPC pkwy sketch: TPC parkway get rid of sidewalk on one side and work from its resconsider pedestrian safety

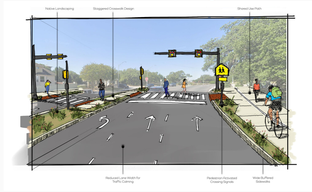
TPC pkwy sketch: add in crossings along bulverde

consider adding shading to protect from west sun

Evans Rd & Hwy 281



Evans Rd & Evans Spring



evans road sketch: make a standard crosswalk not staggered

I thought that one of the things we talked about in the meeting was that it is not ideal to have a crosswalk in a curve where the driver's view is obstructed by the vehicle ahead of them. Is this still a consideration?

coordinate with TxDOT on following SUP standards

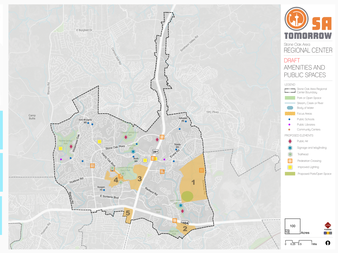
Stone Oak Pwky & Hwy 281

Amenities and Public Spaces Map Comments

Updated Amenities & Public Space Strategies

APS Recommendation #1: Utilize public art to establish character at existing parks, trailheads, and open spaces, as well as other key locations within the Regional Center.

APS Strategy 1.1: Incorporate public art into improvements to existing parks, trailheads, and open spaces.
APS Strategy 1.2: Prioritize public art in the design of new parks, trailheads, and open spaces.
APS Strategy 1.3: Explore opportunities to integrate public art into other public investments, including streetscape designs and community facilities.



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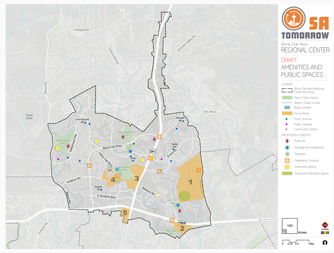
APS Recommendation #2: Improve navigation for pedestrians and cyclists by incorporating signage, wayfinding and lighting features along streets, trails and parks.

APS Strategy 2.1: Add people-scaled lighting along major roads and within neighborhoods.
APS Strategy 2.2: Incorporate wayfinding signage for pedestrians and cyclists, especially leading to schools, parks, and other community destinations.
APS Strategy 2.3: Develop entry monuments and gateway elements at key intersections.
APS Strategy 2.4: Add dark sky friendly downlighting in parks and open spaces.

low lighting/ visibility at retail, restaurants, bar networks along Stone Oak Pkwy "requires the need for a pedestrian light" Bedford Rd

lack of signage in Classen-Steubing Ranch Park



Updated Amenities & Public Space Strategies

APS Recommendation #3: Establish parks and open spaces of multiple scales east of Highway 281 to provide recreational opportunities that are evenly distributed throughout the Regional Center.

APS Strategy 3.1: Work with owners of larger properties to identify opportunities for new and expanded parks and open spaces.
APS Strategy 3.2: Partner to incorporate publicly accessible parks and open spaces into new developments.
APS Strategy 3.3: Improve access to existing parks and open spaces with pedestrian crossing improvements, sidewalk enhancements, and trail connections.

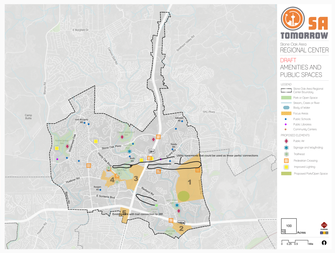
look into creating a network of trails connecting to park along gold canyon

Will need to update connection opportunities on map and add to legend

consider adding trails along utility easements

People ride motorcycles along the creek beds around Mud Creek Park and Stony Creek along any trails that connect to the trails.

The one just south of Stone Oak Parkway is a park and amenities area that was closed for the reasonal during COVID. I don't know if it will be there, but it was very busy. It's a very nice park. 2019 (have not the)



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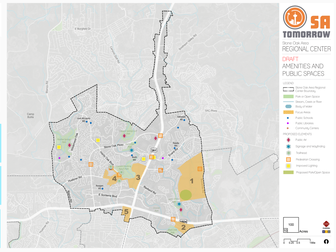
APS Recommendation #4: Enhance the experience for pedestrians moving along and across major thoroughfares and high traffic areas by incorporating pedestrian amenities, green infrastructure, and safe crossing opportunities.

APS Strategy 4.1: Add street trees and other shade elements throughout the plan area.
APS Strategy 4.2: Integrate green infrastructure and other Low Impact Development (LID) improvements in streets, parks, parking lots, and landscaping.
APS Strategy 4.3: Incorporate street furnishings (e.g., benches, trash cans, bike racks) throughout the plan area.
APS Strategy 4.4: Improve intersections and add new crossings for pedestrian safety and comfort.

consider adding GSI along arterial roads

add GSI along sidewalks in landscape buffer

consider orientation of placement of trees to protect from westsern sun



General Comments

This NPP example is cool. Any consideration to do this with other home prices for a neighborhood? That would be a great way to show affordable living where it can.

MLS data from SABOR would make it very easy to show home sales for current median neighborhood home prices. Zillow Tools data also has very good data.