

MINUTES – Aug 25, 10 am, Ward III office 1st-Campbell Coalition Meeting

Present: Bam Miller, Jane Hoffmann, Joanne Osuna, Suzanne Trappman, Judith Anderson, Margot Garcia, Bob Schlanger, Joan Hall, Rebecca Ruopp

Absent: Joan Daniels, Laura Lunsford, Katherine Lancaster, Sue Degginger, Dorothy Richmond, Richard Weeks, Betty Jo Drachman, Chris Stevens, Ron Frable, Vicki Hart, Nicole Ewing-Gavin

INTRODUCTIONS

NEW INFORMATION

- The public open house at Phase II 100% completion will be in late October. Tentatively the 27th. The water basin plans, H2O flows, and noise analysis will be presented. The plans for Phase III may not be presented at this open house.
- There will be a meeting with the engineers and Coalition, tentatively September 29th at 6:00 P.M. at Ward III. They may present preliminary information on basin design, noise analysis and water flow.
- The Citizen's Task Force will meet sometime in late September. It is intended that they provide clear concepts to go forward, with the land use subcommittee meeting more often than the roadway design subcommittee after this meeting.
 - Joan Hall requested that we be provided all of the materials that the Task Force receives so that we can be prepared with our questions and/or comments for the Task Force meeting.
 - The charette has been retitled "design workshop", as the process we are using is less comprehensive than a charette proper.
 - They will set up focus groups prior to the actual design workshop.
 - Jefferson Park may have their own focus group and workshop, with their recommendations being submitted to the Task Force, as each segment has different needs.
- The Revised Grant Road Vision statement has been posted online, comments are due Tuesday, Sep 1, 2015.
 - Jefferson Park will draft comments which will be submitted.
 - The Vision will be heard by the Mayor and Council on September 9th. It is not clear at this time if there will be a Call to the Audience at that time when we can speak, or whether it will be heard in Study Session, at which time no comments can be made.
 - We had asked for a definition of "best use", and Rebecca stated that it is usually defined from an economic viewpoint. This might, or might not, include public development/good.
 - There is still a possibility of a walking path along Grant in the Vision.
 - Examples of "best use" in the community would likely be presented during the design workshops.
- Regarding the RTA, budgets, and possible mitigations, it was suggested that we invite Jim DeGroot to speak to the Coalition sometime in September.
- Rebecca, et al, are collecting examples of remnant uses in other areas for use at the design workshops.
- Rebecca, et al, are developing a FAQ for the online Vision Statement where commonly asked questions and answers will be posted.
- We have not received any responses from the letter we sent to the Mayor and Council, the Task Force Members, or various other city entities. The Project Team, however, is drafting a response to be sent to us so that we receive consistent answers.
- Regarding the closure of Hampton, the City has scheduled a meeting with Andy McGovern. They state that the project will not result in increased traffic on Hampton (which means that the RTA would not pay for it). They are investigating to see if there are any other options, but it does not appear that full closure is an option now.
- In talking about vandalism, vagrants, drug dealers, etc. in the empty homes on Grant, Bob Schlanger noted that when there is police activity in the area that they refuse to disclose why they have been called or what they are doing. Rebecca will follow up on this.
- Henry Jacobson has now officially resigned from the Citizens Task Force. Joan Hall had inquired of Barbara Leonard to see if she was interested, but she is not. Other candidates being sought.
- The RFP for remnant parcels will not come until much further down the line. What happens to those remnants may be affected by the results of the design workshops. Comments from other developers and commercial entities will be solicited as well.

Next 1st-Campbell Coalition meeting: September 10th, 10:00-11:00 A.M., Ward III

Scheduled next OIP meeting and meeting with the Engineers: September 29th, TBA