

GRANT ROAD IMPROVEMENT PLAN TASK FORCE**August 30, 2007****MEETING RESULTS****TASK FORCE MISSION**

The Grant Road Improvement Plan Task Force has been formed by Mayor and Council to work with the Grant Road Improvement Plan Team to evaluate and select alternatives and develop stakeholder supported recommendations regarding the Roadway Alignment Plan, Roadway and Streetscape Plan, and Urban Design and Revitalization Plan for the project. Task force members will also help provide effective communication between the neighborhoods/ stakeholders they represent and the Grant Road Improvement Plan Team.

MEETING TOPIC

Presentation of project background and development of Task Force operating principles/ground rules.

PRESENTATIONS

Background presentations included the following topics:

- The Context Sensitive Solutions Approach to Transportation & Land Use Planning
- Communications and Public Involvement Plan
- Task Force role

DISCUSSION

In the process of developing operating guidelines for itself the Task Force responded to the following questions:

- *Three years from now, when this process is completed, what do you hope to be able to say about the Task Force and your participation in it?*

Responses

- Personally made a difference
- Make Grant Road a better road for all users
- That there's someone to "open the door" (public consideration for handicap accessibility)
- Came to agreement and helped create a positive sense of place and community
- Developed a design that sets a national standard and shows off Tucson
- Worked among diverse groups with goodwill & cooperation
- Accomplished a recommendation that the vast majority can accept
- Reduce the fear factor among stakeholders and create a community vision
- Inspire neighborhoods to bring passions to the process
- Don't waste time
- Project gets built as envisioned by the Task Force

- *What rules or guidelines we want to impose on ourselves to create a climate in which this group can work together effectively?*

Groundrules adopted

- Treat each other with respect and courtesy at all times.
- Stay focused, on topic and be succinct
- Keep open minds; think outside the box
- Keep the focus on solving the problem
- Come prepared to meetings (reading advance materials, etc.)
- Meetings will start and end on time
- A tentative meeting schedule will be set quarterly
- Cell phones will be turned off at the beginning of meetings
- Task Force members are asked not to make public statements prejudging the outcome of the project.
- When discussing the project with members of the news media, Task Force members should be careful to present only their own views and not those of others.

Considered, but not adopted

- Maintain a sense of humor, professionalism, collegiality at all times
- Help others reframe issues to resolve conflicts
- One person speaking without interruption
- Any member can move to table a discussion and/or call for a vote or poll on whether to continue
- Respect for opinions/LISTEN
- Simple majority of people present guides procedure
- Signal before you speak (raise hand)
- Poll everyone periodically to be sure all viewpoints are being expressed
- Be clear about which hat you're wearing

NEXT STEPS

- In preparation for the next Task Force meeting, members will:
 - Complete an E-mail survey designed to give fellow Task Force members and the Planning Team a sense of the different points of view around the table. Member responses will be compiled and distributed to members before the next meeting. The compiled document will also be available to interested public.
 - Take a "road trip" tour of Grant Road using the guide that will be provided by the Planning Team.
 - Attend some of the planned public involvement events and record observations to share with the Task Force. Having some Task Force representation at these meetings will help the Task Force understand community perspectives.
- The next meeting of the Task Force will be a Visioning Session that will take place in two half-day sessions on consecutive days. The facilitator will poll Task Force members regarding their availability, once the potential dates are identified. The

Visioning Sessions will be set on the consecutive days that will afford the greatest member participation.

TASK FORCE PARTICIPANTS

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