

Summary

Vista Del Monte Neighborhood Association Summary, September 19, 2007

Question: What characteristics along Grant Road should be preserved?

- “All of it”
- “None of it”
- Older homes east of Campbell Ave. on both north and south sides; anything taken away should be offered at fair market value by the City
- Existing buildings, as much as possible because it will be less disruptive
- Little stores such as House of Treasures, neighborhood businesses which offer walkability, all storefronts
- Utilities should be moved not the homes or businesses
- Street lighting and bus transportation should not be changed
- Keep family owned businesses such as Wags, Robert’s Restaurant, Casa Molina, Las Margaritas and others
- Keep AutoMax and Cimarron Services

Question: What characteristics along Grant Road should be changed?

- Address flooding problem at all major intersections including Alvernon Way, Tucson Blvd., Columbus Blvd.
- Have a 4 lane bridge from Oracle Rd. to Swan Rd.
- Acknowledge that changes will come
- Create a pleasant environment with medians and vegetation such as east of Swan Rd.
- Have bus pullouts at every bus stop/all corners; particularly at Alvernon Way.
- Create more curves and tree wells, bike paths, different textures such as along Mountain Ave. and Elm St. (by the Arizona Inn) because this will reduce speed.
- Create sound barriers so that it is less than now, particularly at Glenn St. and Columbus Blvd.
- With sound barrier placement, consider pedestrian walkway location.
- Need compatible crossways for bicycles and pedestrians (this doesn’t exist now).
- Use alternative technologies for lighting, paving that are energy efficient such as solar lighting [Note: a gentleman approached me after the conversation and wanted to add rubberized treatment, like on Stone Ave.]