

Summary

Catalina Vista Neighborhood Conversation, November 12, 2007

Question 2: What characteristics along Grant Rd. should be preserved?

- Curves (getting it straighter will bring the sun into drivers' eyes).
- Continuity of neighborhoods.
- Leave the south side of Grant Rd. alone (from Campbell Ave. to Tucson Blvd.)
- Catalina Vista's CCRs/deed restrictions protect homes on the south side – may need wall to distress noise, etc.
- Continue the "look" from Campbell Ave. [south of Grant Rd.] to Grant Rd.; continue the neighborhood's character.

Question 5: What characteristics along Grant Rd. should be changed?

- Separate bike paths.
- Pedestrian pathway, like along Rillito River and Reid Park, for walking, jogging, rollerblading.
- Need left turn lane on Tucson Blvd.
- Homes that have been already purchased by the City (and are empty but habituated by the homeless) need to be better maintained.
- Need wider bike paths contiguous on Grant Rd. and east of Swan Rd.

Question 6: What do we fear and hope for along Grant Rd.?

FEARS –

- The neighborhood likes the wall on Campbell Ave. ("it's good") and wants a similar wall to protect the homes on the south side of Grant Rd., between Campbell Ave. and Tucson Blvd.
- We may be creating a design that won't work in ten years, due to increasing costs of fuel, construction, and autos.
- Concerned that mini-dorms and other student housing may be built in the extended study area.
- Loss of the Grant Rd. curves.

HOPES –

- That there will be multiple project design scenarios with actual costs projected out past the next ten years.
- Two lanes will be dedicated to transit and light rail.
- Space on the roadway will be saved for electric streetcar.
- Rubberized asphalt will be used.
- Vegetation and trees.