

GRANT ROAD IMPROVEMENT PLAN TASK FORCE

April 10, 2008

MEETING RESULTS

MEETING TOPIC

Provide Task Force members with background information they will need as they move on to the concept evaluation phase of the project.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

- Dale Calvert was introduced as the new CTAC representative, replacing Jamey Sumner.
- Nicole Gavin will be stepping down as Grant Road Project Manager sometime this summer to accept another position with the City. She will be replaced by Melissa Antol. Melissa will be working side by side with Nicole for a time to insure a smooth transition.

PRESENTATIONS

- Background on Mainstreet business assistance program—Britton Dornquist
- Background on Tierra Right Of Way acquisition and relocation program—Mack Dickerson
- Key issue guidelines & Context Sensitive Solutions (CSS) glossary—Nicole Gavin
- Alternative Concept & Evaluation Process—Phil Erickson
- Initial Design Concepts—project-wide & segment specific—Dave Perkins

PRESENTATION DISCUSSION OUTCOMES

- The Key Issue Guidelines and CSS glossary documents will be added to as new issues and terms come up that need clarification. Task Force members can suggest items for addition by e-mailing the Facilitator, or bringing them up at a Task Force meeting.
- Clarification of process for developing the Task Force Preferred Concept recommendation:
 - Consultant team develops preliminary concept designs based on input received so far
 - Community Character Segment Workshops held on May 5, 7 and 8th to get public input on project-wide preliminary design concepts and segment-specific design features & alignment options
 - Task Force meets with consultant team through the summer to evaluate design concepts and alternatives, making a draft recommendation in August--June 5th(meeting), July 11th(workshop) and August 14th (meeting)
 - Draft preferred concept recommendation taken out for public review and comment in September
 - Task Force meets after the public involvement process to review, revise and finalize their preferred concept recommendation

Note: Task Force members expressed a concern that too much work was being scheduled for too few meetings and suggested an additional meeting be scheduled.

Facilitator will poll Task Force members regarding their availability on potential meeting dates to determine what dates will offer the greatest potential for attendance.

- In preparation for the Character Segment Workshops, it was agreed that Task Force members will be provided with a more detailed agenda than what is normally included in the promotional material.

PARTICIPATION SURVEY RESULTS

Primary outcomes of the survey discussion included the following recommendations:

- Task Force members need to make a renewed commitment to come prepared to meetings by reading advance background information provided.
- Future meetings need to include processes that encourage greater participation by all—more interaction, opportunities for the more quiet members of the group to speak.
- Consider providing time for a general round table at the beginning and/or end of each meeting, giving each Task Force member an opportunity to make a comment or pass.

NEXT STEPS

- The first Milestone report, highlighting progress to date, will be released to the public in the next couple of weeks.
- As the project moves forward Task Force members can help provide effective two-way communication between the Team and the community by talking to people and groups they come in contact with on a daily basis, helping arrange presentations to stakeholder groups and volunteering to serve in a more public role as a Task Force spokesperson representing Task Force activities and actions. The communications team will draw from the available pool of volunteers as needed. Those volunteering to represent the Task Force to date include: Roy Garcia, Sarah Evans, Nancy Laney, Wayne Cullop, Judith Anderson, Jim Hogan, Jay Young, Dale Calvert and Tom Bush.

CALL TO THE AUDIENCE

Carl Noggle of 1415 E. Spring St. made the following statement:

Please consider moving the bike routes onto the ½ mile streets (or ¼) like Pima, Glenn, and Blacklidge. Safety would be greater and it would greatly simplify traffic. I have ridden in Tucson for forty-three years

TASK FORCE PARTICIPANTS

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UNABLE TO ATTEND

Alice Roe

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