

TAC MEETING #3 SUMMARY

Meeting Held on September 29, 2015
Finley Community Center
2060 W. College Avenue, Santa Rosa

MEETING OVERVIEW

The purpose of the third Technical Advisory Committee (TAC) meeting was to present and discuss the Specific Plan's draft circulation and land use plans.

The project team gave a presentation summarizing the input considered in the development of each plan. The team also presented the details of the proposed land use and circulation plans and a list of potential implementation actions. The group then engaged in a discussion of the materials presented. Committee members were asked to provide technical expertise on the information presented and consider whether the proposals were technically feasible.

A list of meeting attendees begins on page 4 of this summary.

MEETING OUTCOMES

TAC members provided input on the feasibility of the draft land use and circulation plans. The following main discussion points were noted by the group:

- **Meeting MTC targets.** Confirm that the limited changes to land use still meet the MTC targets for density and residential units.
- **Location of the Sonoma-Marín Area Rail Transit (SMART) path.** The most recent design for the SMART path is along the eastern side of the tracks, and the draft bicycle routes will need to account for this change.
- **Additional east-west connectivity.** Desire for more east-west connectivity in the project area.
- **Accommodating transit.** Ensure that the circulation plan can accommodate transit vehicles.
- **Leo Drive, Campbell Drive, Lazzini Avenue, and Burbank Avenue.** Consider alternate designs and alignments of these streets.

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- **Implementation actions.** Clarify to the community that some of the implementation actions require the acquisition of right-of-way.

The following section provides additional detail about each meeting discussion item, including a summary of all comments provided during the discussion.

DISCUSSION OF LAND USE

A discussion with the TAC followed the presentation of the land use plan to identify committee members' concerns, issues, and questions. Individual comments are listed below.

- What do limited land use changes mean in terms of meeting the MTC targets?
- Why is there a space between the park sites near Roseland Creek?
- Isn't the park near Bellevue open space? Why is it shown as medium residential?
- How does the plan allow for small-scale businesses? Are only shopping centers allowed in the striped areas?

DISCUSSION OF CIRCULATION

A discussion with the TAC followed the presentation of circulation plan to identify committee members' concerns, issues, and questions regarding circulation. Individual comments are listed below.

General

- Show which streets are already part of an approved or pending project.
- What are the designations of the streets? Arterial, local, collector? One or two lanes?
- Was school pick-up/drop-off circulation considered?
- More east-west connectivity is desired.
- When do we look at street design?
- Is the plan consistent with the City's bike plan?
- Consider bike needs versus bus lane width needs.
- Ensure travel lanes are at least 10 feet wide to accommodate buses.

Integration with Transit

- Does the plan integrate with the need to accommodate transit service? Are the street widths able to accommodate buses?
- Leo Drive extension.
- Can western alignment change to diffuse traffic?
- The eastern extension is too close to the SMART rail corridor. Perhaps convert to a park between the road and the corridor?

Campbell Drive & Stony Point Road

- Is signalization or other traffic control needed to mitigate traffic?
- Concerned about traffic signals located at Lazzini Avenue and Campbell Drive along Stony Point Road.

Trails

- Why are there gaps in the Roseland Creek Trail? Why doesn't it continue farther northeast?
- Show Joe Rodota Trail on the street map (currently it looks like a street and isn't labeled).
- Concerned about the potential two new crossings of the Joe Rodota Trail. Bike paths are supposed to create conflict-free spaces for pedestrians and cyclists, and this is already an area difficult to navigate.

Burbank Avenue

- What about on-street parking?
- Would bioswales provide adequate mitigation for tiger salamander habitat? Sidewalks have been a challenge on this street due to tiger salamanders.

DISCUSSION OF IMPLEMENTATION ACTIONS

A discussion with the TAC followed the presentation of potential implementation actions to identify committee members' concerns, issues, and questions. Individual comments are listed below.

- Add bus stop amenities (e.g., benches) to the list of items.
- Clarify for community workshop participants that acquisition of right-of-way will be required for some sidewalks, bike lanes, etc. Identify what the tradeoffs are.

ATTENDANCE

CITY OF SANTA ROSA DEPARTMENTS

- Economic Development and Housing
 - Rafael Rivero (Community Outreach Specialist)
- Community Development
 - Jessica Jones (Senior Planner)
 - Lisa Kranz (Supervising Planner)
- City Manager's Office
 - Chuck Regalia (Assistant City Manager)
- Transportation and Public Works
 - Rachel Ede (Transit Planner)
 - Nancy Adams (Transportation Planner)
 - Rob Sprinkle (Deputy Director – Traffic)
- Utilities
 - Rocky Vogler (Senior Water Resources Planner)
 - Danielle Dugre (Associate Civil Engineer)
 - Chinmaya Lewis (GIS Analyst)
- Recreation and Parks
- Police
 - Megan Basinger (Administrative Services Officer – Police)
- Fire
 - Scott Moon (Fire Marshal)
- City Attorney's Office
- City Manager's Office – Violence Prevention Program

COUNTY OF SONOMA DEPARTMENTS

- Transportation and Public Works
 - Mitch Simson
- Health Services
 - Beth Dadko
 - Lori Norton
- Permit and Resource Management
 - Yolanda Solano (Planner)

OTHER AGENCIES

- Regional Water Quality Control Board
 - Craig Hunt
 - Robert Dickerson
- Sonoma County Transportation Authority
 - Janet Spilman (Deputy Director)
- Metropolitan Transportation Commission
 - Stefanie Hom
- Sonoma-Marin Area Rail Transit
 - Olivia Ius

MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC

- Duane DeWitt
- Ken Davis
- Arthur Deicke
- Tim Reese