



MEETING SUMMARY NOTES

Comprehensive Plan Advisory Group Meeting #5

Date: Friday September 14, 2008
11:30 a.m. to 1:00 p.m.
Location: Pinal County Government Complex; 31 N. Pinal; Bldg. F
Purpose: Comprehensive Plan Visioning Results

Handouts: Agenda

Participants:

Leslie Burnett, Ak-Chin Indian Community
Harold Christ
Kathleen Esposito
Lisa Fitzgibbons, Fitzgibbons Law Office
Shirley Ann Hartman
Frank Jones
Michael Leigh
Ron Rickel, Mammoth-San Manuel Unified School District
Rosemary Shearer, Superstition Area Land Trust

Staff: Peggy Fiandaca, Partners for Strategic Action, Inc.

Meeting was called to order at approximately 11:40 a.m.

Welcome and Project Overview

Peggy gave an overview of the process to date. The Compendium has been finalized and will be on the website soon. The website has been receiving quite a bit of visitation and the database has grown to over 2,000 email addresses. The E-Newsletters are being used to communicate about the project. The first of the Economic Development and Transportation Task Forces have been held. The purpose of the groups is to provide focused input to the planning process.

Peggy gave an overview of the discussions occurring with the various cities within Pinal County regarding improving coordination. The planning directors are discussing developing common land use classifications county-wide, common roadway classifications, and creating one Energy Element for Pinal County that each of the cities will utilize.

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Peggy reviewed several development suitability maps with the CPAG. They included residential, environment, and economic suitability. These maps were developed by combining many of the GIS layers that are included in the Compendium. These maps will be used to create the land use alternatives. The CPAG discussed the maps and provided input related to each.

Visioning Workshops Summary Report

The Visioning Workshops have been completed. We have received a tremendous amount of input and over 300 people attended to provide input to the vision statement. The consulting team is reviewing and documenting the input and a draft vision statement will be produced. The vision statement will be discussed during upcoming public events. Peggy presented and the CPAG discussed some of the key elements of a potential vision statement.

Planning Workshops

The consulting team is preparing for the Design Workshops/Charrettes that will be held throughout the county in October 2007. The purpose of these events is to conduct a land use gaming exercise where the public can provide direction related to future development. Six design charrettes will be held and the land use maps will be used to create a set of potential alternatives that will then be evaluated.

Next Steps

The next CPAG meeting is scheduled for Tuesday December 11th at the ASU Decision Theater in Tempe. The purpose of the event is to bring together the CPAG with other key individuals to review and discuss the vision and potential land use alternatives. ASU Decision Theater provides an opportunity for a multi-screen presentation and an interaction exercise for discussing components of the vision and land use alternatives.

The meeting was adjourned at approximately 1:00 p.m.

These meeting summary notes reflect the notes taken by Partners for Strategic Action, Inc. during the meeting. If corrections are needed, please provide those recommendations as soon as possible, preferably within two weeks of receipt of these notes.

Respectfully submitted,

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Project Manager