



MEETING NOTES

Thursday, September 1st ~ 3:30 – 5:30 pm

Attendees: Dominique Sayer, Mitch Sears, Chris Granger, John Mott-Smith, Chris Blackman, Manny Rin, Cindy Dirks, Judy Moores, Lynne Nittler, Lisa Baker – Yolo County Housing, Kate – Tuleyome

Special Guest Speakers:

Stacey Winton: Collaborating w/ Davis Neighborhood Associations

Bob Wolcott: Davis Transportation Planning

1) Guest Speaker: Stacey Winton, City of Davis

Strategies to collaborate with Neighborhood Associations

-Neighbors Night Out – October 9th – If we'd like to include materials for the host/hostess packets, we need to get 125 copies to Stacey by October 1st. She does one sample packet for each, and the rest goes on the website. If we'd like to get any other information about what the CDI is doing for community engagement, then we can forward our information to Stacey and she can send it out via her list-serve. There are currently 17 Neighborhood Associations (not Homeowners Associations), with approximately 100 households per group.

2) Discussion Items (30 minutes)

- Planning for next Partner Meeting – November 16th @ 7:30 am at YSAQMD. Possible themes with guest speakers –Zero Waste Events and Transportation Planning. The date may be bad considering that it is the week before the Thanksgiving holiday. Chris Blackman will send out a Partner email to gauge interest and availability. May have to bump the date to beginning of December. This still needs a planning group, although Kathy Coulter and Chris Blackman have volunteered to help, the Breakfast needs a Chair.
- Cool Communities Challenge – Timeline and visit by David Greshon the week following the Festival - Monday/Tuesday, October 17th & 18th. This Challenge will select a few cities across the nation to participate. It is estimated to begin in June 2012 and run for three years. It would be great to have host a public forum and have Mr. Gershon speak to the City Council on Tuesday, October 18th. Mitch will send out a summary of what the Challenge entails.
- Drinking Station Proposal – Cindy Dirks presented her idea on having hydration stations in Davis. Looking for guidance and comments on idea of having available, clean water sources for the community as one way to get away from disposable water bottles. Her proposal will be sent out to the CORE for review, and as a possible working group.

3) Action Items (30 minutes)

- Approve New Partnership Proposals (Standing Item) – **There are a few in the works, but none to present today.**
- Economic Development Plan – **Chris Granger will work on a summary sheet, but it looks good to go per the CORE vote.**
- Cool California Challenge Project – **As of today, have not heard if Berkeley has taken up the Challenge. The group was reminded to review the Preliminary proposal included with the agenda. An oversight group will be needed once the program is officially established. Some folks have volunteered to be part of the group, such as Judy Moores and Lisa Baker. Other thoughts were to have Alan Doyle and Alan Pryor included as well.**
Please send your ideas for membership to either Mitch or Dominique before the 15th!
The Leadership Group will be meeting on September 15th and will include the oversight committee planning strategy. Everyone is welcome!
- Provide direction to Leadership Group regarding public policy issues – **The CORE approved the Leadership Group to come up with some kind of policy language and to re-look at the Mission Statement to make sure our policy is in line.**

4) Project Group Reports or Action Items (15 minutes)

- *Festival* – **Day of Service projects are on the web! Next Festival meeting is September 14th. Please forward your comments regarding the Eco-Hero nominees to Judy ASAP. She has had only 2 or 3 responses to her email.**
- *LCD* – **none to report**
- *Measurement* – **none to report**
- *Lite House* – **none to report**

5) Support Group Reports or Action Items (15 minutes)

- *Communications* – **The new CDI website is making progress. Nick and Manny met on August 18th and have been formulating goals, resources and guidelines. If you would like a copy of those meeting notes, please contact Dominique Sayer.**
- *Finance & Fundraising* - **none to report**
- *Leadership* – **Next meeting is September 15th – all are welcome!**

6) Guest Speaker: **Bob Wolcott, City of Davis Principal Planner Transportation Planning in Davis**

-Update on Transportation Plan and Technical Advisory Group (TAG) work
Bob presented a copy of the Transportation General Plan Element Update and Implementation Plan (TIP) that the TAG has been working on. This is a work in progress and is currently in draft form. A copy of the TIP has been included with these Notes.

7) Next Meeting and Upcoming Events/Notices

- Next Meeting: Thursday, October 6th - 3:30-5:30 pm
- Festival Planning Meeting: Wednesday, September 14th
- Leadership Meeting: Thursday, September 15th @ 1818 5th Street – 3:30-5:00 pm
- 350.org – Sept 24 Celebration at Village Homes

**Transportation General Plan Element Update
and Implementation Plan (TIP)**

Project Status

September 1, 2011

Purpose of Project

1. Update the General Plan transportation element

- Update background information and add an Introduction section to address the major themes of the element and transportation and circulation priorities.
- Update and add goals, policies and actions related to important transportation issues for the next 20 years.

2. Create a Transportation Implementation Plan (TIP)

- Establish a process to assist City Council and staff in developing priorities in transportation and implementing important projects and programs in current work and annual budgeting.
- Provide a basis for the selection of transportation projects in the City's capital improvement program.

Background

Council Goals for 2010 - 2012

- *Consider General Plan element updates in the area of transportation ...*(Community Strength and Effectiveness, Action CSE #8)
- Implement the Climate Action and Adaptation Plan. (Sustainability, Action S #1). The actions in the CAAP include:
 - *Develop a plan to de-carbonize personal transportation in Davis.* (Mobility #5)
 - Establish a Mobility Advisory Commission. (Mobility #1)

Revisions by Council in July 2011

- Develop a plan and implement enhancing human scale mobility and dining downtown. (Downtown Davis #7)
- Explore reconfiguration of parking and streets, maximizing utilization and convenience for customers. (Downtown Davis #4)

Existing Problems

1. **Mobility Element out of date.** The current Mobility Element in the General Plan contains sections that are many years out of date and need new / revised policies. The plan can address priorities for transportation system investments including but not limited to public safety, maintenance, efficiency, reduction of greenhouse gas emissions, and quality of life.
2. **Limited resources and need for prioritization.** Most of the 400 actions are not able to be implemented due to limited staff and financial resources. The City would benefit from a comprehensive and objective process to prioritize actions to be implemented in the short-, mid- and long-term.
3. **Need process for considering new programs and projects.** The City would benefit from a comprehensive and objective process for prioritizing new transportation plans,

programs, or capital improvement projects. Such a process could track actions that begin as plans and later become programs.

Sources of Projects

The City has adopted at least 11 plans with more than 400 actions related to transportation:

1. General Plan (GP)
2. Climate Action and Adaptation Plan (CAAP)
3. Current two-year City Council Goals (CC)
4. Bicycle Plan (BP)
5. Current Bicycle Advisory Commission goals and priorities (BAC)
6. Downtown – Campus Connections Concepts (DCCC)
7. Downtown Transportation and Parking Committee Work Plan (DTPC)
8. Core Area Specific Plan (CASP)
9. Capital Improvements Program projects (CIP)
10. Major Projects Financing Plan projects (MPFP)
11. Five-year implementation plan for Redevelopment Area (RDA)

Examples of Projects Already Underway or Committed

Planning projects

- Transportation and Circulation Element update and Implementation Plan (subject project)
- Design of Third Street improvements, A to B Streets (transitioning to a capital project)
- Multi-modal transit center / depot access, parking and crossing plan
- Richards / Olive / Gateway access and circulation planning
- Downtown access and parking plan (City Council, July 2011)

Programs

- “Street Smarts” program
- Bicycle wayfinding and signage program (Bicycle Plan action, with BAC)
- Collaborate with DJUSD to increase bicycling and walking to school (Council goal and CAAP action), with the supporting role by City staff to be determined

Capital projects

- Fifth Street reconfiguration
- Cowell / Drummond traffic circle, Drummond bike tunnel connection
- Traffic safety improvements, transportation lighting and signal efficiency improvements
- Infrastructure maintenance

Technical Advisory Group (TAG)

	Member	Affiliation
1	John Berg	Bicycle Advisory Commission (BAC)
2	Ted Parks	Safety and Parking Commission (SPAC)
3	Paul Philley (subgroup member)	Planning Commission (PC)
4	Elaine Roberts Musser	Senior Citizen Commission (SCC)
5	Lars Anderson	Sustainability, climate action planning
6	Bob Grandy (Chair and subgroup member)	Local traffic engineer
7	Susan Handy (Vice chair and subgroup member)	Transportation policy, studies and research
8	Geoff Straw	Public transportation / transit (Unitrans)
9	Olin Woods	Regional transportation planning (SACOG)
10	Mark Rutheiser	Business (DDBA, Chamber of Commerce)
11	Steve Tracy (subgroup member)	Planner, Davis Bicycles! group

Progress to Date

General Plan element update - drafts

- *Vision:* A single general statement of the desired future of transportation in Davis. Draft:

“Davis will be a place where destinations are safely and conveniently accessible in an environmentally and economically sustainable manner.”
- *Background:* A description of transportation issues and values that provide a basis for goals.
- *Goals:* Expressions of ideal future states in the four areas of travel choices, sustainability, complete streets and bicycling.
 1. Travel Choices
 2. Sustainability
 3. Complete Streets
 4. Bicycling
- *Performance objectives:* Specified end states that are measurable that allow the community to determine whether progress is being made toward the goals.
- *Policy sections:* Outline of policy sections which will include updated policies, standards and actions.
 1. Transportation, Land Use, Air Pollution and Climate Change
 2. Road and Multi-modal Facilities and Programs (Including Complete Streets and Transportation Demand Management)
 3. Public Transportation
 4. Dedicated Bicycle and Pedestrian Facilities and Programs
 5. Parking Facilities and Management
 6. Transportation Planning and Inter-governmental Coordination (Including TIP)
- *Other:* Maps, figures, glossary

Transportation Implementation Plan (TIP) - drafts

- *Preliminary process:* A preliminary process for prioritizing planning projects, programs, and capital projects (see flowchart)
- *Initial testing:* Staff is currently testing a scoring system using the goals as criteria.
- *Draft criteria:*

Planning projects and programs

1. Promotes goal of travel choices
2. Promotes goals of sustainability
3. Promotes goal of complete streets
4. Promotes goal of bicycling
5. Promotes economic development, stimulates private investment

Capital projects

First score (-5 to +5 each, with double weighting):

1. Promotes goal of travel choices
2. Promotes goals of sustainability
3. Promotes goal of complete streets
4. Promotes goal of bicycling
5. Promotes economic development, stimulates private investment

Second score for higher scoring projects (-5 to +5 each, with single weighting):

1. Avoidance / mitigation of a public health and safety hazard
2. Enhances environment or reduces pollution
3. Completion or filling of a significant gap in the transportation system
4. Percentage of city population benefiting
5. Recreational / cultural / aesthetic value
6. Eligibility and competitiveness for grants and outside funding
7. Preservation of facility
8. Operating budget impact
9. Level of maintenance over life of project or improvement
10. Cost effectiveness

Next Steps

Latest anticipated schedule:

August - September

- Complete draft policy changes / concepts
- Complete TIP prioritization process and testing

October - November

- TAG review of draft policy changes / concepts and TIP process
- Review by commissions and public of draft policy changes / concepts and TIP process

December - January

- Consider comments by commissions and public
- Drafts of General Plan element, TIP, and a recommendation on long term transportation commission structure for City

February

- Commissions review and Council adoption of General Plan element, TIP, and recommendations on commission structure

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