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Subject: saag annotated agenda

Hi all,

Here's the SAAG annotated agenda for tonight. Please plan to log in at 5:45. You should all be panelists. If not, raise your hand so Jennifer can pull you over.

Thanks!

Lori

Lori Severino

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CITY OF SAN JOSE
STATION AREA ADVISORY GROUP (SAAG)

Notes:

Presentations by City staff

- Kevin Christman very angry about deluge of information, HSR; mentioned the issue that angered him most, which is the notion of a community center
- Ed Saum also annoyed about length of presentation. Picked apart amount of land for parks. Park funding always cut. City proposing to underserve significantly.
- Sondra Weber, Plant 51. Concerned about public art section and street network also. -Likes notion of San Fernando bike/ped. Thinks that we need to think about auto access more specifically. There is already bottlenecking here.
 - o Jess: there are many design options that we will take up with Plant 51. Jess will keep people apprised of this.
- David Meyer: concerned about loss of residential capacity, even if he does understand that this is a job center. Are there any projects under review
- Kathy Sutherland:
 - o DANG sent a letter on Sept 25 in response to last SAAG presentation. Letter asked that Planning Dept. defer any development that is non-residential aside from Downtown West.
 - o Suggests that heights in Berryessa should increase. Doesn't need to be much.
 - o Also mentioned letter that DANG sent today
- Tim:
 - o interesting idea to issue commercial moratorium. Not within staff's authority to do this.
 - o With respect to development capacity, Downtown West and DSAP are adding development capacity to the area as a whole. Citywide team that does growth allocations in consultation with GP task force continually refines numbers based on trends.
- Rev. Ray, concerned about community stability

Jeffrey Buchanan

Kristen: preservation of units

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Harvey

Disappointed with changes that were made to building heights. Quite disappointing. These areas abut single family areas. Has been involved in GP process for a long time, wanted to make sure that there are good relationships. Thinks we are not providing enough park space in the new housing that we are proposing.

Justin Wang, Greenbelt Alliance

- Wants to remind people that we are in a climate crisis
- Height is one of the tools that we can use
- We can avoid displacement ~~of~~by density
- Takes issue with notion that 4 percent is not a lot of land
- We need to build densely here in a place where it makes sense. This allows us to preserve land elsewhere

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Jason Su

Wants to make comment on idea of reduction of park fees to
Don't let pendulum to swing too far in one direction
We need housing and parks

Nichole

No changes in park fees are being considered for Diridon area

DW presentation

Ed Saum: 9 historic resources in area

Proposal looks to demo all but 2

Google has a ton of money

Not enough effort to propose adaptive reuse

Conflicting proposals for Diridon Station

No coherence.

Kyomi Yamamoto, Law Foundation

Rob Rennie

- What about bike parking? Where is it? In what uses?

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Kevin Christman

- Very excited about protected bikeway on Bird
- Let's not stop there though, let's also think about the pedestrian infrastructure
- For Nichole: riparian areas included in park acreage. Should not count areas that are too steep to accommodate active park use
- Thing that stuck in Gardner recently, which made Kevin and others think long and hard.
- Let opportunity slip for Yosef project ? ... [didn't fully follow]

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Jeffrey Buchanan

Community benefits, has talked with folks nation-wide

Kathy

Re. DANG letter from today

Senses contradiction – Nanci says that high-rise development doesn't pencil, so why not develop at densities that will pencil.

May make sense to focus development in places that already have BART and high-capacity transit

Nanci

Reason for draw of Diridon is wealth of transit

Diridon will command more in rent in the long-term

Great comment from Melissa re. support for DSAP principles

Roland

should cross tracks at Park

What we heard about business about adding another 7 acres

What is solution? Google has assembled world class team

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ANNOTATED AGENDA – November 9, 2020 MEETING *(updated 11.09.20)*

Date + Time: November 9, 2020 | 6:00-8:00 pm (log on by 5:30, Interpreters by 5:40, SAAG by 5:45)

Location/Platform: ZOOM Webinar

Link: <https://sanjoseca.zoom.us/j/99443238889>

Phone: 408-638-0968 or 888 475 4499 (Toll Free)

Webinar ID: 994 4323 8889

Meeting Purpose and Outcomes:

- Provide an overview of community engagement activities since the last SAAG meeting and a preview of upcoming engagement events.
- Provide an update on the Downtown West project, including results from the October 19th Community Meeting and interim insights on the Development Agreement negotiation.
- Provide an overview of the Draft Amended Diridon Station Area Plan (DSAP), an update on Draft Diridon Station Area Affordable Housing Implementation Plan, and information on the small business context in the Diridon Station Area.

Attendance

Consultants/facilitators:

Dave Javid + Suhaila Sikand – *Plan to Place*

Diana Benitez – *Raimi + Associates*

City staff:

Lori Severino – *Diridon Project Manager*

Kim Walesh – *Deputy City Manager*

Nanci Klein – *Director of Economic Development*

Rosalynn Hughey – *Director of Planning,*

Building, and Code Enforcement

Robert Manford – *Deputy Director, Planning*

Building and Code Enforcement

Tim Rood – *Division Manager, Planning Division*

John Tu – *Planner IV, Planning Division*

Jose Ruano – *Planner II, DSAP project Manager*

James Han – *Planner II, Planning Division*

Jacky Morales-Ferrand – *Director of Housing*

Kristen Clements – *Housing Division Manager*

Rachel VanderVeen – *Deputy Director, Housing Department*

Jessica Zenk – *Transportation Deputy Director*

Eric Eidlin – *Station Planning Manager*

Nicolle Burnham – *Deputy Director, Capital Projects, Parks, Recreation and Neighborhood Services*

Larissa Sanderfer – *Parks Planner, PRNS*

Julie Benabente – *Environmental Services*

City Technical Staff:

Jennifer Provedor

Kenneth WeiChe Chou

Interpreters:

Spanish = Armando Cruz and Ana Vidales

PRE-MEETING TASKS – LOG ON AT 5:45

1. **SET UP Co-Hosts** – Jennifer HOST, Dave Co-Host, Lori Co-Host – help promote folks to panelist as needed (City staff and SAAG)
2. **SET UP Interpreters – After they read the first slide**
 - a. Interpreters = Armando Cruz and Ana Vidales
 - b. Give Diana Benitez (Spanish) – give record privileges
3. **Ask Everyone to Rename** – including staff and SAAG

ANNOTATED AGENDA

1. **(6:05 - 6:15 pm) WELCOME AND INTRODUCTIONS – (10 min) – Kim and Dave**
 - a. **Live Simultaneous Interpretation Note Read by Interpreters – and Open Rooms – Dave**
 - i. Armando Cruz and Ana Vidales - Read the Spanish
 - ii. **Jennifer to Assign Armando Cruz and Open Spanish Room**
 - b. **Welcome to the Diridon Station Area Advisory Group (SAAG) – Kim and Dave**
 - i. Welcome, Intro of project team – **Kim**
 - ii. Agenda overview, approval of minutes from Sept 16th
 - iii. Reminder of Meeting Logistics
 - The meeting is recorded, streamed lived, and the video is posted on the website after the meeting.
 - In addition, staff is typing up the comments and will summarize them afterwards.
 - iv. Overview of Group Agreements
 - This is intended to support fair, open, respectful dialogue and a safe environment for all in attendance (posted in the back).
 - v. Process for commenting
 - We ask that members of the audience be respectful of the SAAG members and staff, and hold your verbal comments until the public comment period (all video will be off for duration and mics will be muted until called upon).
 - Anyone who is disruptive during the public comment period will be kicked out of the virtual meeting.
 - If you would like to speak during Public Comment time, please use the Raise Hand feature or dial *9 (there will be a slide to support), and Dave will call out names.
 - You can also submit electronic comments at www.diridonsj.org on the contact page.
2. **(6:15 – 6:20 pm) GENERAL PROCESS + COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT UPDATE – (3 min) – Dave**
 - a. **Timeline: what’s happened since Sept 16, what’s happening this fall, and what’s next**
 - b. **Approach to public engagement, upcoming events**
 - c. **SAAG Clarifying Questions - 2 min – Dave**

6:20 PM - INTERPRETER TRANSITIONS - STOP SCREEN SHARE – Jennifer to assign Ana Vidales

3. **(6:20 – 7:00 PM) DSA UPDATE – (40 min)**
 - a. **Draft DSAP Amendment**
 - i. Overview through heights - **Tim (4 min)**
 - ii. Open Space through Public Art - **Nicolle (3 min)**
 - iii. Related Transportation Plans through Parking: **Eric (2 min)**
 - iv. Environmental Sustainability + CEQA approach: **Tim (2 min)**

- b. Draft DSA AHIP – Kristen (5 min)
- c. Incentive Zoning Analysis – Kim (2 min)
- d. Summary of Small Business Assessment - Kim (2 min)
- e. Community Engagement for DSA Engagement – Kim (2 min)

6:40 PM - INTERPRETER TRANSTIONS - STOP SCREEN SHARE – Jennifer to assign Armando Cruz

- f. DSA - SAAG Q+A - 20 min – Dave

7:00 PM - INTERPRETER TRANSTIONS - STOP SCREEN SHARE – Jennifer to assign Ana Vidales

- 4. (7:00 – 7:35 PM) DOWNTOWN WEST UPDATES – (35 min)
 - a. Overview through Orientation to the DWDSG: Tim (4 min)
 - b. Open Space: Nicolle (3 min)
 - c. Mobility through Parking: Jess (3 min)
 - d. DEIR through District Utilities: David Keyon (3 min)
 - e. Development Agreement update: Nanci (5 min)
 - f. DTW Engagement Nanci (2 min)

7:20 PM - INTERPRETER TRANSTIONS - STOP SCREEN SHARE – Jennifer to assign Armando Cruz

- g. Downtown West - SAAG Q+A - 20 min – Dave

- 5. (7:35 – 7:40 pm) NEXT STEPS – (5 min) –Dave

7:40 PM - INTERPRETER TRANSTIONS - STOP SCREEN SHARE – Jennifer to assign Ana Vidales

- 6. (7:40 – 8:00 pm) PUBLIC COMMENT - Dave
 - a. 1 minute per speaker with timer through Hand Raise function
- 7. (8:00 pm) ADJOURN

[72 acres v. 19 \(planned at citywide level v. area level v. project level\)](#)