

General Plan Update Workshop

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- What happens if a plan would harm the environment? How would the EIR handle that?
- The downtown community and the business community were not reflected in the outreach summary report.
- Is there an ideal vision for the future?
 - Each alternative has a different vision.
- We would benefit from a system that allowed warehousing of cars.
- Will these new residents and employees walk?
 - Data is showing that they walk.
- As a resident of the Central District, I walk. It's easier to walk if there are services nearby.
- Delighted by moving around without cars. Need parking structure in North Lake area.
 - New mixed-use buildings could help.
- If we adopt plan D, will the City go broke?
 - Need to consider cost of amenities.
- If we have more growth then do costs increase?
 - Revenue depends on the mix and types of land uses.
- I heard there are more indicators, historic?
 - Yes, online. CommunityViz did not project growth on historic buildings.
- How does this impact the redevelopment areas?
 - The plans support the Lincoln Ave Specific Plan.
- In Alternative C, did the plan address new transit and the additional costs?
 - It didn't go that deep.
- Has Del Mar station worked?
 - Cars are driven less often but have same number of cars.
- Alternative C says it calls for more transit. How would we pay for it?
- When does the investment community come into this?
 - We interviewed them. The Chamber has two members on the Committee. The plans focus on the community's vision. Developers have come to meetings. Economic development strategy.
- Concern that there are not a lot of people from the direct neighborhood.
 - We share that concern. Bring your friends. We tried!
- Have meetings at churches.
- Does the graph show the existing General Plan will have net negative revenue?
 - Yes.
- Please give more information on the number of people within ¼ mile of a bus stop.
- How is PUSD involved?

- Represented on General Plan oversight committee.
- What are the state mandates on housing?
 - We are supposed to provide the zoning for our regional need. We also need to meet greenhouse gas emission requirements.
- Do all the plans have the same view on design?
 - Style is not addressed, but height is.
- Timing out on online surveys is a problem.
- There is sustainability in Alternative B, too.
- How does the General Plan address the street car?