

## MEETING SUMMARY

### **Southeast Planning Team Meeting #7: Housing and Economic Development Part 2**

**Meeting Date:** Wednesday, October 2, 2019

**Time:** 5:30 PM – 7:30 PM

**Location:** Schaefer Library

**Attendees:**

*Sara Mendiola, SARA*

*Ed Fears, Pasadena Heights*

*Isabel Fears, Pasadena Heights*

*Yulanee McKnight, Pecan Valley*

*Alicia Campbell, Lakeside*

*Allan Houck, Foster Meadows*

*Ian Palacios, Foster Meadows*

*Linda Cavazos, ECISD*

*Christine Vina, VIA*

*Greg Ripps, Highland Park*

*Isaac Bernal, CoSA EDD*

*Adrian Perez, CoSA EDD*

*Dr. D. Anthon Miles, Miles Development Corp.*

*Eartis Eaglin, Council District 2*

*Chris Villa, District 3*

*Shepard Beamon, CoSA Planning*

*Matt Prosser, EPS*

*Krystin Ramirez, MIG*

*Mukul Malhotra, MIG*

**Meeting Purpose**

The purpose of Planning Team Meeting #7 was to continue the discussion on Housing and Economic Development to refine draft recommendations and strategies. This meeting was a follow-up meeting to Planning Team Meeting #6.

**Meeting Format**

The meeting began with staff and planning team introductions and an overview of the Southeast plan process. Following this, a presentation was given which provided a summary from the previous planning team meeting, examples for potential housing types and business districts, and draft recommendations. The meeting concluded with next steps.

**Housing and Economic Development Presentation**

The presentation began with a recap was given from Planning Team Meeting #6, which included a summary of where various housing prototypes were applicable in the Southeast plan area and identification of opportunities and issues related to housing and economic development. Following this, the presentation provided case studies from other cities that illustrated what the planning team felt would be needed to establish or enhance neighborhood commercial districts within the Southeast area. Following the case studies, Matt Prosser presented the draft housing and economic development recommendations and opened it up for discussion and feedback.

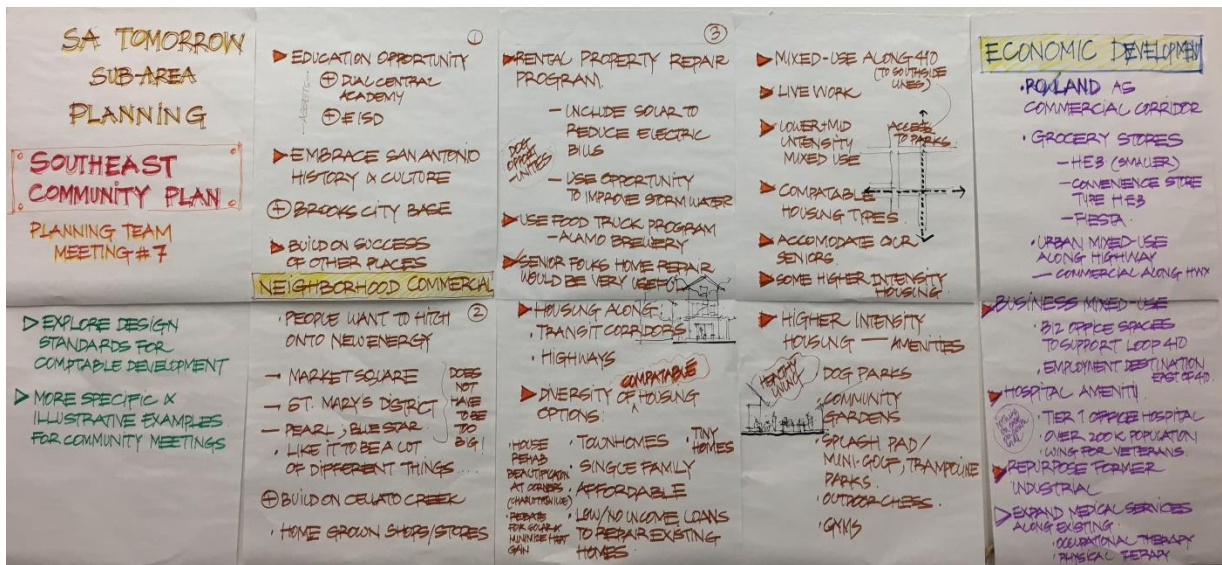
Group Discussion/Feedback

Economic Development

Neighborhood commercial districts could resemble or include businesses similar to those in other parts of the City, including St. Mary's Strip, Market Square, and the Pearl, that include different options for entertainment and dining suitable for all ages and relatively walkable in scale. Businesses could also concentrate on and around Salado Creek, which would then serve as safe and scenic multimodal connection that excludes vehicular traffic. Other programs could include the food truck program and establishing a food truck park in commercial districts or along the Salado Creek. The Planning Team felt the area can accommodate more neighborhood scaled-grocery stores, similar to Wal-Mart Marketplace, Royal Blue, and H-E-B SoFlo. The Team also felt there should be expansion of existing medical facilities along Southcross and building new medical offices and centers would be beneficial to increasing jobs and improving health for residents in the area.

Housing

Exploration of a rental housing improvement program, senior housing repair program, or low income housing improvement grants or loans, could aid in improving the appearance of areas around potential neighborhood commercial; near, or in, proposed mixed use districts; or within existing neighborhoods. Incentives could also be included in said programs, including solar panel installation to reduce energy bills or residential areas incorporating stormwater mitigation practices. Housing in the area should be diverse, compatible, rehabilitated, and affordable. In terms of diversity, Planning Team members encouraged the incorporation of more townhomes, tiny houses, live-work units, and single-family development. Where applicable, lower to moderately higher-intensity mixed use development along transit corridors and mixed-use districts. Higher density mixed use areas should include a variation of public amenities, including dog parks, parks and aquatic facilities, community gardens, outdoor entertainment and recreation, and exercise facilities, to promote healthy living that is convenient to nearby residents.



**Southeast Planning Team Meeting #7  
Summary**

**NEXT STEPS:** Planning staff will analyze the discussion and generate recommendations and strategies for the Housing and Economic Development section of the plan.

**Planning Team Meeting #8: Mobility Pt. 1**

Thursday, December 12, 2019; 5:30 PM – 7:30 PM  
Southside Lions Community Center

Meeting summaries and presentations will be available on the sub area plan website:  
<https://southeast.sacompplan.com/>

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