

Meeting Summary
City of Tucson
Ward 2 Citizen Design Review Committee (CDRC)
Houghton Road, Northern Segment: Tanque Verde Road to 22nd Street
Feb. 4, 2010
Tucson Eastside City Hall, 7575 E. Speedway Blvd.

ATTENDEES

Ward 2 Citizen Design Review Committee Members

Dominique Drenteau, Casas de Santo neighborhood
Frank Salbego, Eastside neighborhood association (NA)
Carol Zoch, Eastpointe II Estates NA
Mike Collins, five homes on Houghton
Tom Stefanek, Mesquite Ranch NA

City of Tucson Department of Transportation (TDOT) Staff and Consultants

M.J. Dillard, TDOT Project Manager
Joe Vaskovic, PB Project Manager
John Hucko, Olsson Associates
Steve Taylor, Regional Transportation Authority (RTA) MainStreet Business Assistance Program
Melissa Benton, Gordley Design Group, Public Involvement
Jan Gordley, Gordley Design Group, Public Involvement
Alice Templeton, Gordley Design Group, Public Involvement

Guests

Nina Borgia-Aberle, Houghton Road Corridor Art Planner
Vickie Scott, self
Julia Potter, self
Lou Potter, self

MATERIALS

- Agenda
- Implementation plan map
- Art planner fact sheet
- Art planner questionnaire
- Art planner map
- Public meeting evaluation form

INTRODUCTIONS

- Alice Templeton showed the new detailed map of neighborhoods represented by CDRC members.
- Melissa Benton reviewed the parking lot items: street lighting, passive rainwater harvesting, landscaping, bus shelter quantity/location and Sun Tran.

PROJECT UPDATES

- The entire Houghton Road Corridor is now 30 percent planned and designed. The Houghton Road and Old Vail Road intersection construction is to be completed in the spring. Psomas is the contractor selected for the central and southern segments. The Houghton Road: Irvington Road to Valencia Road project and Houghton Road and Valencia Road intersection project have been combined. Federal funds in the amount of \$800,000 have been received and may be applied at the Houghton Road Railroad Bridge over Interstate 10.
- The Broadway Boulevard intersection project has progressed to 75 percent design. The Houghton Road: Irvington Road to Valencia Road project is moving from 75 to 90 percent design. Pima County is at 15 percent design completion for the Houghton Road Railroad Bridge over Interstate 10.
- The Houghton Road and Broadway Boulevard open house is scheduled for March 17.
- Sun Tran wants a Park-and-Ride lot at Broadway Boulevard to accommodate up to 100 cars.
- Homeowner concerned about retainment wall, bus traffic.

ART PLANNER UPDATES

- Nina Borgia-Aberle gave a PowerPoint presentation on funding sources, the art planning process and examples of art.
- The Houghton Road Corridor art planners will not create art, but will seek input from the community on the art, including locations for the art throughout the Corridor. They will then create a general art plan. The art plan will help the future artists selected to connect with the community and produce a common theme.
- Tucson Pima Arts Council (TPAC) will be handling artist requests for proposal.

GENERAL

- A request has been made for CDRC meeting minutes to be distributed within two weeks of meetings.
- Alice Templeton distributed a public meeting evaluation form to obtain CDRC member input regarding the public process.

PARKING LOT ADDITIONS:

- Retainment wall
- Bus route timing
- Bus parking
- Need for Park-and-Ride lot

Meeting adjourned at approximately 7:20 p.m.