



SPECIAL SGVCOG Planners TAC Meeting Minutes

Date: October 25, 2018
 Time: 12:00 P.M.
 Location: **Monrovia Community Center**
119 West Palm Avenue; Monrovia, CA 91016

PRELIMINARY BUSINESS

1. Call to Order. The meeting was called to order at 12:06 P.M.
2. Roll Call

Planners TAC Members Present

M. Ronzio-Garcia, A. Tellez; Alhambra
 B. Lee; Covina
 C. Hensley, J. Golding; Duarte
 J. Kugel; Glendora
 E. Arreola; Irwindale
 J. Mayer, S. Bermejo; Monrovia
 M. Huntley; Monterey Park
 L. Stevens; San Dimas
 T. Steinkruger; San Gabriel
 C. Lin; Sierra Madre
 I. McAleese; South El Monte
 S. Reimers; Temple City
 M. Kim, J. Drevno, N. Ornelas, Jr.; LA
 County DRP

Planners TAC Members Absent

Arcadia
 Azusa
 Baldwin Park
 Claremont
 Diamond Bar
 El Monte
 La Verne
 Montebello
 Pomona
 Rosemead
 South Pasadena
 Walnut
 West Covina

SGVCOG Staff

P. Duyshart

Guests

E. Stadnicki; La Cañada Flintridge
 A. Ross; LA County DPW

3. Public Comment.

No public comment.

CONSENT CALENDAR

4. Planners TAC Meeting Minutes – 09/27/2018

Recommended Action: Approve.

There was a motion made to approve the Consent Calendar (M/S: L. Stevens/M. Huntley).

[Motion Passed]

Ayes	Alhambra, Covina, Duarte, Glendora, Irwindale, Monrovia, Monterey Park, San Dimas, San Gabriel, Sierra Madre, South El Monte, Temple City, LA County DRP
Noes	

Abstain	
Absent	Arcadia, Azusa, Baldwin Park, Claremont, Diamond Bar, El Monte, La Verne, Montebello, Pomona, Rosemead, South Pasadena, Walnut, West Covina

PRESENTATIONS

5. Temple City's Crossroads Specific Plan

Scott Reimers, who is the Planning Manager for Temple City, presented the Crossroads Specific Plan to members of the Planning TAC. He began his presentation by demonstrating the online story map feature component for the Crossroads Specific Plan. Throughout his presentation on this specific plan, he went into detail about the background of the City, both demographically and in terms of land-use. He also discussed the zoning changes to the Crossroads area, the new development standards of the specific plan, the City's mobility plan, the plan for implementing the Crossroads Specific Plan, design guidelines for new structures, setback requirements, and parking strategies. Additionally, Mr. Reimers also went over the guiding ideas of the Crossroads Specific Plan, which are to:

- Utilize multiple land uses to create vitality
- Make the area a destination for Temple City residents and give people a reason to stay in and frequent the area.
- Break up large sites to improve connectivity and walkability.
- Build projects with a pedestrian oriented design and mindset.
- Cluster more buildings around open space and public squares.
- Create seamless and pragmatic transitions to residential areas which are adjacent to the Crossroads area.

Questions/Discussion: The following issues were asked about and discussed:

- A TAC member asked: What are some of the challenges in terms of outreach that Temple City dealt with? Mr. Reimers answered by saying that you have to try to get people to see the benefit of growth, and that this gives you capacity to bring in more restaurants, for example.
- Is there anything in the Specific Plan or a tipping point that can help development occur? Is there authority to enforce portions of the Specific Plan? Reimers the property owner is on board to develop half of the K-Mart property. He also said that while there are goals in the Specific Plan, it does not have absolute authority.
- Another TAC member asked: was there a lot of participation from the Asian community, and if so, how did you get this participation? Reimers stated that it was difficult to conduct this outreach, but you have to be proactive in going to community events.
- Who were the consultants for this project?
- One member of the TAC pointed out that the challenge in Temple City's Specific Plan is the disparate development desires of multiple property owners, and then trying to implement portions of the plans that you have. He then asked: is the Plan relatively mandatory, or does it have built-in flexibility?
- Mr. Reimers said that a developer has already submitted some preliminary paperwork for a 75-unit mixed-use project.
- Did the city make sure that their plans enable them to meet the next round of the Housing Element and RHNA?
- Are any of the new units that will be developed soon allocated for low-income?
- If you could go back over again and do it all differently, what would you do differently?

DISCUSSION ITEMS

6. 2017-2018 California Housing, Planning, and Zoning Legislative Update

Peter Duyshart of the SGVCOG gave a staff report and presentation during which he gave an overview of the most pertinent pieces of State legislation which pertain to housing, planning, zoning, and land use and were signed into law by Governor Jerry Brown in the most recent legislative cycle. For each bill, Mr. Duyshart provided a summary of the bill's stipulations, provisions, and policy implications, as well as which organizations and advocacy groups supported and opposed each piece of legislation. The bills which were discussed by Duyshart include:

- AB 1771 (Bloom)
- SB 828 (Wiener)
- SB 1226 (Bates)
- AB 2372 (Gloria)
- AB 2753 (Friedman)
- SB 1227 (Skinner)
- AB 2263 (Friedman)
- SB 946 (Lara)
- AB 3162 (Friedman)
- AB 3194 (Daly)
- SB 3 [Proposition 1 on Nov. 2018 ballot] (Beall)
- AB 1827 [Proposition 2 on Nov. 2018 ballot] (Assembly Committee on the Budget)
- SB 918 (Wiener)
- AB 2162 (Chiu & Daly)
- AB 1971 (Santiago) [Not signed into law, but supported by the SGVCOG]
- Proposition 10

Questions/Discussion: The following issues were asked about and discussed:

- One member of the Planning TAC asked the other City Planners whether or not their respective cities are planning to adopt any new programs or regulations for sidewalk vending in reaction to SB 946 (Lara) being signed into State law.

EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR'S COMMENTS

There were no comments or announcements made by, or on behalf of, the SGVCOG Executive Director.

UPDATE ITEMS

7. SB 1 Sustainable Communities Competitive Grant

P. Duyshart of the SGVCOG reminded members of the Planning TAC that applications for this statewide planning grant are due on **November 30, 2018**.

8. Measure M MSP Funding Update

P. Duyshart gave the update on this item. He let TAC members know that, as of October 25th, the Public Works TAC, Planning TAC, City Managers' Steering Committee, and the Transportation Committee approved of the COG's proposed list of projects for the first Measure M MSP 5-Year Plan.

9. LA County Fire Department Compliance and Customer Service Issues

P. Duyshart also provided a short update on this item to the TAC. He reminded members of the TAC that the City Managers' Steering Committee directed COG staff to work with contracting cities first, and then to schedule a meeting between City Managers and high-ranking LACFD representatives, but only after the City Managers initially try to work through the California Contract Cities Association (CCCA). Duyshart announced that LACFD Chief Nick Duvally attended the City Managers' Steering Committee meeting on October 3rd, and that his conversation with the SGV city managers was constructive and productive. Scott Reimers of Temple City also represented the Planning TAC at this meeting, and shared some of the concerns and issues that cities have had with the LACFD for plan checking service and code compliance from a planning and development perspective. Chief Duvally agreed that service from LACFD for plan checking and communication can improve, and he also promised that his fire prevention divisions will make attempts to reach out to City planning staffs of the cities that LACFD serves once every quarter.

CHAIR'S REPORT

10. Solicitation of presentation topics

There was no discussion on this item.

11. Current City Projects

There was no discussion of city projects.

12. Future Planners' TAC Meeting Time and Location

P. Duyshart reminded TAC members that the TAC's normal meeting venue, the Upper San Gabriel Valley Municipal Water District, recently informed COG staff that their Board Room will no longer be available for meetings on the fourth Thursday of each month. This means that the Planning TAC will either have to be moved to a different recurring monthly day, or will have to change venues. When Duyshart first asked at the September meeting whether the TAC members would rather switch venues or would rather stay at the Upper District, the TAC unanimously responded that it would be preferred to stay at the Upper District. Duyshart then reported that the Upper District states that their room is available for use on the following days:

- 2nd Monday of each month
- 4th Monday of each month
- 4th Tuesday of each month
- 4th Wednesday of each month

At the September meeting, members of the Planning TAC directed Duyshart to send out a Doodle Poll to determine the best new day to hold future Planning TAC meetings on. Duyshart reminded TAC members to please send their date preferences through the Doodle Poll, as he has only received 11 responses so far. In the meantime, the next couple of Planning TAC meetings will be held at the Monrovia Community Center on a temporary basis.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

C. Hensley, the Chair of the Planning TAC, announced that the next Planning Directors' TAC Meeting will be on Thursday, November 29th.

ADJOURN

The meeting adjourned at 1:19 P.M.