



Meeting Minutes

Project Title: San Gabriel Valley Greenway Network Strategic Implementation Plan

Purpose of Meeting: Present and gather feedback on the updated Prioritization Matrix and provide an update on Community Engagement and Project Website Development

Meeting Location: Virtual via Teams
See Microsoft Outlook Invite

Date: Dec 9, 2020

Time: 2:00 p.m.

Attendees:

Steering Committee Members

Martin Reyes, LAC B.O.S. SD1
Daritza Gonzalez, LAC B.O.S SD4
Carolina Hernandez, LACFCD
Katie Ward, SGVCOG
Andrew Ross, LACPW TPP
Wesley Reutimann, Active SGV
Sally Gee, RMC
Belinda Faustinos, Nature For All

Project Team

Dan Sharp, LACPW*
Enrique Baul, LACPW*
Jennifer Aborida, LACPW*
Michelle O'Connor, LACDPR*
Natasha Krakowiak, LACDPR*
Sheela Mathai, LACDPR*
Loretta Quach, LACDPR*
Michelle Montano, LACDPR*
Johnathan Perisho, WCA*
Rosey Jencks, Brown and Caldwell*
Jesse Scolavino, Brown and Caldwell*
Carlos Velasquez, KOA*
Jan Dyer, Studio-MLA*
Kevin Johnson, Studio-MLA*
Jean Yang, Studio-MLA*
Tony Howze, PACE*
Cherise Thompson, PACE*
Noe Noyola, MIG*

Meeting Summary

1. Introductions
 - a. Welcoming remarks from LAC
 - b. Roll call
 - c. Comments from the November meeting

- i. Enrique Baul noted that there were no additional comments provided by the SC from the November meeting.
2. PowerPoint Presentation
 - a. Schedule update (BC)
 - i. Rosey Jencks noted that the project team is working on incorporating stakeholder feedback into the prioritization matrix and advancing moving forward on community engagement efforts.
 - b. Community Engagement and Project Website Development (MIG)
 - i. Rosey Jencks described upcoming community engagement activities including the style guide for presentations and flyers regarding the project, the website in beta form, stakeholder interviews to understand key issues in the community, map-based surveys in gather geographic-based concerns from community members, and a virtual kickoff workshop with the public.
 - c. Updated Prioritization Matrix (BC and Studio-MLA)
 - i. Jean Yang walked through the matrix process and noted that the next step after the December meeting is to get community feedback for some of the data that were provided.
 - ii. Jean Yang noted that after feedback from the November meeting the overall map for each wash was split into different maps including Community Impact, Equity & Burden, Circulation & Active Living, Environment, and Synergy & Opportunity.
 - iii. Jean Yang walked the group through the community impact dataset which included population density and park need.
 1. Dan Sharp requested that the STAC provide their any reactions that may rise throughout this process.
 - iv. Jean Yang walked the group through the equity dataset which included pollution burden and socioeconomic burden.
 - v. Jean Yang walked the group through the circulation dataset which included activity and existing bikeways and trails.
 1. Wesley Reutimann asked, “Did the project team consider including any of the following in the scoring/weighting: Area Ped/Bike Safety collision data? Connectivity to High Quality Public Transit including expanded Metro L Line?”
 2. Kevin Johnson replied that that collision data is not included but under discussion with the team and connectivity is included in the circulation data.
 3. Belinda Faustinos asked if the SGR & RH bikeways were considered as "connections" to bikeways?
 4. Kevin Johnson responded that those bikeways were considered as connections.
 - vi. Jean Yang walked the group through the environment dataset which included tree canopy and significant ecological areas.
 1. Wesley Reutimann asked if space for new tree canopy was considered in the dataset.
 2. Jean Yang noted that space around the channel was considered, but for now, the lens is focused on need then in a later phase opportunity will be factored in.
 - vii. Jean Yang shared the synergy dataset which includes early implementation projects and vacant government land.
 1. Belinda Faustinos asked if the team knew if distribution of vacant land between cities, county, etc.?

2. Jean Yang noted that this is an exercise that the team has not gone through yet but will come into the story later in the process.
 - viii. Jean Yang presented the themes that combine circulation with other elements throughout the region such as equity, community impact, environment, and synergy.
 - ix. Kevin Johnson walked the group through the updated webmap which can be accessed at <https://arcg.is/1rfT5W>
 1. Dan Sharp noted that all the layers shown on the webmap are unweighted, meaning they all carry equal weight.
 2. Wesley Reutimann asked if connection to planned metro transit could be included in a circulation or synergy lens?
 3. Kevin Johnson noted that this is another dataset that we will have to begin to look at and consider adding to one of the lenses.
 - x. Polling was held for the SC members to rank which themes reviewed would provide the most benefit to the San Gabriel Valley.
 1. Results are as follows: Equity and Burden, Community Impact, Circulation & Active Living, Environment, Synergy a& Opportunity.
 - xi. Dan Sharp noted that weighting factors will be added to the lenses based on the polling results from today.
 - xii. Belinda Faustinos noted that caution should be made when adding weighting factors because this could constrain project selection in the future.
 - xiii. Jean Yang noted that the team has been working on understanding all the complexity throughout the region and making sure that nothing is thrown out of the mix too soon in the process.
3. Next Steps
- a. Project Team to send meeting summary
 - b. Committee feedback on the data summaries needed by January 6, 2020
 - c. Future meeting dates
 - January 13, 2020 2 PM to 5 PM