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AGENDA

Citizens Advisory Committee (CAC)

Tuesday June 10, 2014

6:30 p.m. – 8:00 p.m.

Denver Design Center

595 South Broadway

Denver, CO 80209

1. Call to Order
2. Public Comment
3. April 8, 2014 Meeting Summary
(Attachment A)

ACTION ITEMS

INFORMATIONAL ITEMS

4. Alameda Station Tour
(Attachment B)
Ashley Kaade, Chris Waggett – D4 Urban
5. Metro Vision 2040 Update –Economic Development
(Attachment C)
Ashley Kaade

ADMINISTRATIVE ITEMS

6. Announcements
7. Other Matters by Members
8. Adjournment – Next Meeting August 12, 2014



ATTACHMENT A

MEETING SUMMARY

Metro Vision Citizens Advisory Committee (CAC)

Tuesday, April 8, 2014

Members Present

Suzanne Arkle
Tom Cryer
Andrea Duran-Carpenter
Alexa Davis
Carson Green
Michael Hult
Randle Loeb
Lisa Schott
Chris Waggett
Bob Wilson

Call to Order

The meeting was called to order at 6:30 p.m.

Public Comment

No public comment was heard.

Announcements

- DRCOG will be hosting the Local Government Awards Wednesday April 23 at History Colorado, DRCOG staff will send CAC members information on the event.
 - DRCOG staff will be conducting outreach at the event for the Metro Vision 2040 update

Metro Vision 2040 Update- Housing

DRCOG staff provided an update on outreach efforts on the topic of Housing to date and what was heard. CAC members provided the following feedback:

- CAC members had questions concerning the geographic distribution of MindMixer users in the region
- CAC members were surprised to see that access to fresh food options didn't receive more votes on MindMixer
- CAC members emphasized the importance of DRCOG reaching out to housing organizations and the disability community
- CAC members asked if DRCOG has taken a stand on the Colorado construction defects legislation
 - DRCOG staff has heard the issue raised during housing interviews and focus groups.
 - DRCOG staff will send CAC members the link to DRCOG's [Regional Housing Diversity Study](#) where the issue is further discussed.
- In going through the Fair Housing and Equity Assessment (FHEA) recommendations, CAC members noted there is not recognition of best practices
 - DRCOG staff explained that the FHEA identifies top level holistic strategies because there is no, "one-size fits all" approach to fair housing in the Denver Region

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- CAC members noted that the FHEA recommendations do not address how to create affordable housing, creative housing, or assistance with the application process of applying for grants and tax credits
 - DRCOG staff has heard process related feedback and concerns about funding raised during housing interviews an focus groups
- DRCOG staff explained that the FHEA and Regional Housing Strategy (RHS) are two separate documents, but they will be integrated into one document to complement one another
- In discussing the top three housing needs in the region, there was confusion among CAC members about what, “increase economic opportunities for disadvantaged residents” meant
 - DRCOG explained that to mean job training and location in terms of how far one lives from work
 - CAC members noted that another top housing need in the region includes older adults that have been laid off from jobs
- CAC members noted that RHS recommendations do not address energy efficient affordable housing units and noted there are great examples of this throughout the region including the Renaissance Stout Street Lofts
- DRCOG staff asked CAC members to identify elements or gaps in the FHEA and RHS recommendations and they noted the following:
 - Minority communities and coalitions need to be included in this process, the needs of all community members should be identified
 - The political process is a factor in the affordable housing process and needs to be addressed
 - The importance of tax credits in attracting investors to bridge funding gaps
 - Zoning is not providing for creative housing options likes boarding houses, etc.
 - Some sectors of the population won't be able to live outside transitional housing and will always need supportive services
 - Effects of natural disasters on housing
- DRCOG staff will begin presenting findings from the FHEA and RHS to the DRCOG Board in May
 - CAC members expressed content that DRCOG is beginning to “scratch the surface” on the topic of housing in the region

The meeting was adjourned at 8 p.m. The next meeting is scheduled for June 10, 2014.

ATTACHMENT B

To: Members of the Citizens Advisory Committee

From: Ashley Kaade, Planner II
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Meeting Date	Agenda Category	Agenda Item #
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SUBJECT

CAC Member Chris Waggett of D4 Urban will provide a presentation and walking tour of D4 Urban's Alameda Station site.

PROPOSED ACTION/RECOMMENDATIONS

There is no action requested at this time.

ACTION BY OTHERS

N/A

SUMMARY

Chris Waggett of D4 Urban and Development Manager Dan Cohen will provide a background of D4 Urban's Alameda Station project to transform the site into a mixed-use, transit-oriented, and pedestrian-friendly site. A brief walking tour around the site will follow.

PREVIOUS DISCUSSIONS/ACTIONS

N/A

PROPOSED MOTION

N/A

ATTACHMENT

N/A

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

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ATTACHMENT C

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Meeting Date	Agenda Category	Agenda Item #
June 10, 2014	Informational	5

SUBJECT

Staff will provide the Citizens Advisory Committee (CAC) members with an overview of stakeholder input on the exploration of the topic of economic development including an update on the Regional Economic Strategy and its relationship to Metro Vision 2040.

PROPOSED ACTION/RECOMMENDATIONS

There is no action requested at this time.

ACTION BY OTHERS

N/A

SUMMARY

Staff will provide an overview of input received from economic development stakeholders. Staff will share with the committee updates on the work that has been completed to date and next steps to be performed by Economic and Planning Systems (EPS), the consultant retained by DRCOG to develop the Metro Vision 2040 Regional Economic Strategy.

PREVIOUS DISCUSSIONS/ACTIONS

CAC - May 7, 2013

PROPOSED MOTION

N/A

ATTACHMENT

N/A

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

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