
FM 150 West Character Plan Citizens Advisory Panel Meeting Notes

Date: December 9, 2014

Time: 6:00 PM

Subject: CAP Meeting 1

Location: Driftwood Community Center

Present: Hays County: Commissioner Conley, Commissioner Whisenant

CAP Members: Mr. David Braun, Mr. Casey Cutler, Mr. Dennis Dement, Mr. Shelby Eckohls, Ms. Sharon Michaelis, Ms. Lisa Oechsner, Mr. Roger Pruitt, Ms. Maile Roberts, Mr. Mike Steinert, Mr. Bruce Turbow

Project Team: Joe Cantalupo, K Friese & Associates; Mike Weaver and Paula Gruber, PSI; Laura Harris, HNTB; Arin Gray and Julie Richey, CD&P

Meeting Summary

Commissioners Whisenant and Conley opened the meeting and following their comments, introductions were made with an explanation of history and relations to the FM 150 corridor by all those in attendance. Joe Cantalupo gave a presentation covering, CAP meetings and formats, an overview of the project and schedule, discussion of the CAP schedule and future meeting times, and next steps.

Questions and Discussions:

The meeting was a casual format and discussions and questions were asked throughout. Below is a summary of the questions asked and discussions held.

- Where do population projections come from? – Capital Area Metropolitan Planning Organization (CAMPO)
- Noted that it seems FM 150 is under capacity and asked would the road be a MAD 4 for the entire alignment or just part of it? Also asked if the road would only follow existing alignment or if new alignment would be considered? – It is not known if the road will be 4 lanes, but anticipate it could be built as needed and new alignments would be considered along for portions of the road. This process with the CAP and public input will help determine the capacity and alignment.
- A discussion was held on Driftwood and if the new road should be moved away from it. – This process will include a detailed study on Driftwood.

- What are the termini for the project? – RR 12 to near Arroyo Ranch Road are the project limits.
- Asked if we could share the project physical mailing addresses used to promote first meeting – Will have to consider.
- Discussion held on the CAP members wanting to be involved with the public and “hear” their thoughts. – CAP members would be encouraged to attend public meetings and visit with citizens, and can attend community meetings as they are scheduled.
- Asked about the different signs referring to FM or RM 12. – Noted the County will have to follow up with TxDOT on that and involve 911 call centers to reconcile.
- Does the County consider the Regional Conservation Plan? – Yes, this is very important to the County and would be considered in this and all projects.
- In the future, can the CAP and public see maps with different features overlaid (parks, habitats, etc.)? – Yes.
- Asked about other studies and projects in Hays County – Can share a link with projects listed.

Action Items:

1. Determine if team can share physical mailing addresses and report back to Ms. Michaelis.
2. Share upcoming Community Meetings schedule as they are known.
3. County to follow up with TxDOT on current signage along 150 (reconcile FM or RM)
4. Distribute a list and description of all team members.
5. Distribute a glossary of transportation terms and links to other transportation sites and Hays County project list.
6. Distribute contact information for CAP members.