



AGENDA ITEM 2

MEETING NOTES

DATE: August 3, 1999

ATTENDEES: *Committee Members*

- Gene Frick 1st Supervisorial District
- Stephen Corona 1st Supervisorial District
- Ed Sloman 2nd Supervisorial District
- Jerry Snell 2nd Supervisorial District
- Bill Cramer 3rd Supervisorial District
- Darcy Kuenzi 3rd Supervisorial District
- Ed Kibbey 4th Supervisorial District
- Manny Sanchez 4th Supervisorial District
- Joe Richards 5th Supervisorial District
- Bill Warkentin BIA
- Robin Maloney-Rames CA Department of Fish & Game
- Greg Schook City of Calimesa/Executive Board of WRCOG
- Steve Mandoki City of Murietta/Technical Advisory Committee of WRCOG
- Kimberly Wilder Community Access Center
- Donna Rhodes-Graham Community Access Center & CFILC
- Dan Silver Endangered Habitats League
- Won Yoo MSHCP
- Gary Wanszuk MSHCP Advisory Committee
- Rob Moran Riverside County Economic Development Agency
- Barry Burnell Riverside Property Owners Association
- Bruce Colbert Riverside Property Owners Association
- Peter Kiriakos Sierra Club
- Christine Moen US Fish & Wildlife Service

County Staff

- Jerry Jolliffe Riverside County TLMA

Consultant Team

- Dick Ramella The Planning Center
- Melani Smith The Planning Center
- Al Bell The Planning Center
- John Douglas The Planning Center
- Steve Smith SAIC
- Kerry Colvin SAIC
- Joanna Crombie LSA

HANDOUTS: RCIP General Plan Advisory Committee Workbooks
 County of Riverside Strategic Vision & Integrated Planning Principles
 Public Outreach Products

1.0 Introductions

- 1.1 Jerry Jolliffe introduced himself as interim Chair of the Advisory Committee, until the group elects its own Chair and decides how it will conduct its business.
- 1.2 The Committee agreed to a standing meeting schedule. For the duration of the project (approximately 30 meetings) the group will meet on the first Tuesday of the month at 1:30 p.m. Meetings will be held at the Registrar of Voters, 2724 Gateway Drive, Riverside, CA 92507-0918.

2.0 Program Objectives



- 2.1 Dick Ramella reviewed the RCIP planning program and approach.

3.0 Integrated Planning Program

- 3.1 Ramella reviewed the schedule and work program for the General Plan portion of the program. Ramella suggested that guest speakers from the consultant team be invited to make presentations to the Committee from time to time focusing on their various areas of specialty.
- 3.2 Peter Kiriakos suggested that four optional elements be added to the General Plan in addition to the seven mandated elements: air quality, floodplain management, community design and parks & recreation. Other suggestions were agriculture and water/watershed management.
 - 3.2.1 Ramella responded that an air quality element will be prepared as part of the General Plan update. Floodplain management will be addressed as part of the public safety element.
 - 3.2.2 Jolliffe suggested that community design should be addressed as part of the land use element.
 - 3.2.3 Jolliffe added that the Committee could formally recommend to the Board of Supervisors that the structure of the General Plan be modified.
 - 3.2.4 The Committee later passed a motion requesting Jolliffe to determine with County authorities whether or not the structure of the General Plan is flexible and may be modified.
- 3.3 Ramella noted that a Suggested Reading List is included in the Workbooks. The list presently includes materials related to designing for environmental hazards, and will be expanded over the course of the project. Gene Frick further suggested that a project lending library be established as a resource for Committee members. Jolliffe offered his office on the 9th Floor of the County Administrative Center in Riverside as a location for this library. He noted that his library already includes examples of County General Plans gathered from around the country.
- 3.4 Kiriakos asked about the process for formulating a vision to guide the General Plan, and whether it would just be a rehashing of the vision found in other County and City General Plans in other areas of Southern California. Jolliffe responded that the County's vision would be unique, not a rehashing of ideas found in other plans.
- 3.5 In response to a question from the Committee about its level of involvement in the development of the 24 County Community Plans, Jolliffe responded that the Committee will have input into their format and structure and their relationship and consistency with the MSHCP and CETAP. The Committee will primarily provide policy-level guidance.
- 3.6 The approach to public outreach for the Community Plans was outlined.
 - 3.6.1 Jolliffe noted that consistency zoning would be completed as part of the General Plan update process, and that this would undoubtedly engender public interest.
 - 3.6.2 Ramella noted that contact is already being made with the Supervisors' offices in order to begin the public outreach process. He further indicated that the cities within the County will also be a part of the outreach process, and that The Planning Center has already made contact with City Planning Directors.
 - 3.6.3 A Committee member expressed concern that the public will react negatively to extensive revision of existing community plans as there was extensive public involvement in their production.



- 3.6.4 In response to a question, Ramella explained the relationship between the General Plan and Community Plans. He indicated that the General Plan is mandated by State law, and that Community Plans (or in the County's case, Area Plans) are allowed by State law. Community Plan policies must be consistent with the General Plan.
- 3.7 Kiriakos asked if the GIS layers related to the General Plan will be made available to the Committee, and Frick went further to request supervised access to the County's GIS system from a terminal within County offices. Kimberly Wilder requested that an alternative, text only version of the RCIP website be developed to allow access by the visually impaired and that consultant team products be available on disc. Jolliffe to explore the feasibility of accommodating all three requests.
- 3.8 Rhodes-Graham questioned the extent to which alternative transportation modes were being considered in the Plan, and if the community's desire for transportation alternatives was documented in the telephone survey conducted in the County. Jolliffe indicated that all forms of transportation are being considered.
 - 3.8.1 Others questioned whether a follow up survey might be conducted later in the program. Jolliffe to follow up on this potential.
- 3.9 The General Plan's current format and included elements were discussed. Joe Richards suggested that the Committee should review and determine issues of significance to the Plan first and only after that exercise discuss its structure. Another Committee member suggested that the General Plan may be better organized around Community Areas within each element, instead of including general policies in the General Plan elements, and policies specifically addressing community areas in the Community Plans.
- 3.10 The history of the County's Strategic Vision and Integrated Planning Principles' creation was discussed. The Principles should be reviewed at the next meeting as part of the review of the draft vision for the General Plan.
- 3.11 Frick requested a list of the already approved development projects within the County and the Cities.
 - 3.11.1 Ramella responded that the list was being produced, but that it was not yet available.
 - 3.11.2 Jolliffe will obtain whatever information Riverside County EDA has which is relevant to the request.

4.0 Review of Products

- 4.1 Review of the General Plan products contained in the Committee's workbooks was deferred so that a discussion about the leadership, organization and conduct of the Committee could take place.

5.0 Topics for Next Meeting

- 5.1 Draft Vision Statement
- 5.2 Housing Element
- 5.3 General Plan Format and Structure
- 5.4 Community Plans Status Report
- 5.5 Topics for October meeting could include the following:
 - 5.5.1 September Community Workshops feedback.
 - 5.5.2 Existing Conditions report review.
 - 5.5.3 Opportunities and Constraints analysis review.
 - 5.5.4 Housing Element Goals and Objectives review.
 - 5.5.5 Community Plans Status Report



6.0 Committee Structure & Organization

- 6.1 Several questions about the decision-making process of the Committee were raised. Jolliffe will present rules for Committee processes for discussion at the next meeting. Members should also review the Guidelines already provided to the Committee and discuss comments and concerns at the next meeting.
- 6.2 The Committee roster will be distributed prior to the next meeting so that Committee members can begin to know one another and be prepared to elect a Committee Chair and Vice-Chair at the next meeting.
 - 6.2.1 Jolliffe was nominated for Chair. He would serve if elected.
 - 6.2.2 Should Committee members e-mail or fax background material on their experience to Jolliffe before the next meeting, this will be distributed to Committee members as well.
- 6.3 Committee members expressed an interest in establishing an Internet-based forum within which they could discuss issues as they arise. This might alleviate the need to establish subcommittees to work on specific issues. Since all Committee members do not have Internet access, all Committee members may not be able to use a system like this.

7.0 Public Input

No comments were made.

8.0 Adjournment