



**FLAGSTAFF
REGIONAL
PLAN 2012**

Draft Minutes
Regional Plan Citizen Advisory Committee
3:30 p.m. – 6:00 p.m. – Thursday, December 6, 2012

Aquaplex
 1702 N. Fourth Street, Flagstaff, AZ 86004

I. CALL TO ORDER

Chair Babbitt called the meeting to order at 3:37 p.m.

II. ROLL CALL

Committee Members Present:

Paul Babbitt, Chair	Carol Bousquet, Vice Chair	Maury Herman
Julie Leid	Jerome Naleski	Nat White
Eva Putzova	Susan Bean	Shaula Hedwall
Richard Henn	Devonna McLaughlin	Ben Anderson

Absent

Judy Louks	Don Walters	Alex Wright
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Attendees

Theresa Gunn, Facilitator	Sue Pratt, Coconino County Community Development Director
Kimberly Sharp, Acting Comprehensive Planning Mngr.	John Aber, Coconino County Assistant Community Development Director
Jim Cronk, Planning Director	Tiffany Antol, Coconino County Senior Planner
David Wessel, FMPO Manager	Kate Morley, Coconino County Planner
Justine Otto, FMPO Admin Specialist Temp	Erika Mazza, NAIPTA Transit Planner
Adam Perillo, Kimley-Horn Consultant	
Roger Eastman, City of Flagstaff Zoning Code Administrator	
David Womochil, City Attorney	

Public

Bruce Higgins, Betsy McKellar, Marilyn Weissman,

III. PUBLIC COMMENT

Marilyn Weissman, acting on behalf of Friends of Flagstaff’s Future, distributed a Speculative Zoning memo and expressed concerns regarding the potential abuse of re-zoning without appropriate community involvement or planning. She requested that the CAC add language to the Land Use implementation section of the Plan, “requiring all requests for rezoning to provide development plans that show enough details to implement the Regional Plan.” Mr. Cronk requested that in the future, any handouts from the public be forwarded to Kim Sharp in advance for inclusion in the agenda packet.

Chair Babbitt noted that Eva Putzova would like to add a revised “Climate” section to the Regional Plan draft, and will submit a suggested revision for the December 13th CAC meeting.

IV. APPROVAL of MINUTES

It was noted that Ms. Hedwall had been present at the previous meeting. Mr. Henn moved to approve the corrected Minutes for November 15th, 2012 CAC Meeting. Mr. Naleski seconded. The motion passed unanimously.

V. OLD BUSINESS (Continued, postponed, and tabled items.)

A. Land Use Element

Ms. Sharp stated that most feedback received was on the organizational structure. She overviewed the changes made to the Land Use Element and asked which paragraphs should be set aside for later discussion. The following points were selected:

- The Camp Navajo comments (pg. 6)
- The Forest Service paragraph (pg. 8)
- Land Supply, showing Flagstaff isn't landlocked (pg. 7)
- Supply or capacity?
- Page 15 needs to be fleshed out with intent
- Greenfield development (pg. 5)
- Any further points for discussion should be sent to Ms. Sharp

Mr. Adam Perillo of Kimley-Horn Associates then presented various models / illustrations of the downtown area that had been selected for modeling. The following details were discussed:

- The cartoonishness of the model give it a general feel rather than a specific one, aiding in its purpose of outlining activity centers and helping people not focus on specific buildings.
- A Lone Tree overpass received support in a 2009 election, and has been included in the Regional Transportation Plan since that time. Planning and engineering has been performed on proposed Lone Tree overpass and connection to Route 66, and will be discussed in circulation.
- Members have concerns about programs and recommendations being misconstrued or implied in the presentation of the model.
- The model displays what Flagstaff could look like in (2030? Build-out in 2080?) if the policies are implemented.
- Mr. Higgins recommended changing the colors in the place type illustration as the pink (second floor office) and red (first floor commercial) appear too similar.
- Illustrations may be helpful in creating ideas for types of activity centers.
- It was agreed that zoomed-out topographical map is best for displaying Flagstaff, but further changes may be made to the present model.

The CAC took a break and reconvened at 5:05pm.

B. Land Circulation / Bicycle Elements (Transportation Element)

Mr. Wessel overviewed the changes made to the Transportation Element and asked if any issues or language changes needed to be addressed. The following points were discussed:

- In policy T.3.4, the meaning and intent behind "reduce seas of parking" needed to be clarified. It was confirmed that the intent was to introduce pricing parking, and possibly introduce selective parking structures in the future. An updated and re-worded policy will be sent to the editor.
- While modes of transportation could be listed as Pedestrian, Bike, Transit, Car, it might not be a realistic and balanced view of life on Route 66.
- T.6.5 is not practical with its current wording, but a strategy could be drafted to encourage widespread bike rack installation and more accommodating sidewalk conditions. Example: make it a requirement (or strongly recommend) that for every 1 in 20 parking spaces constructed, also install a 9-bike rack.
- T.7.5 addresses the issue.

- Ms. McKellar questioned whether restrictions could be placed on delivery trucks in the downtown area; it was determined that it was not an appropriate decision to make on a regional level, but a strategy could be suggested and then further developed in both the Regional Transportation Plan and a downtown management plan.

Suggested new policies:

- **Policy T1.3** - Transportation system priorities within the urban areas of the City are, in order, people, bicycles, transit and cars.
- **Policy T2.4** - Dedicated transit ways will be considered where appropriate.
- **Policy T3.4** – (re-worded) Actively manage parking, including cost and supply, to support land use, transportation and economic development goals.

Ms. Bousquet moved to approve the element with the suggested changes, Ms. Leid seconded, the motion passed unanimously. D. Wessel overviewed a circulation map, pointing out the various changes (upgrades, widening and ‘complete streets’) suggested to meet land use needs for Scenario D and the map of the future where nothing is changed. The efficiency of movement, compact land use, and correlation to policy were debated.

The CAC confirmed that they could not continue the meeting through 6:15pm.

C. Public Facilities, Service, and Safety Element

Ms. Sharp overviewed the changes made and asked which policies needed discussion. The following points were discussed:

- PF.4.3 should be reinstated as resiliency should be a part of every building.
- PF.4.3 had been removed due to lack of understanding, it was recommended that the policy be re-written and included in the Emergency Preparedness section.
- A member of the public stated that the potential issues went beyond emergency preparedness.
- It was agreed that the policy would be reworded and restored to the document.

D. Editing Team Update

The votes for the logo were reviewed, with the top three presented to the group for comparison and discussion. It was determined that:

- The words “Regional Plan” should be the same size as the word Flagstaff.
- The “tree trunk” design might change in appearance based on size.
- One of the Fs looked too similar to the fire department’s logo.
- The colors would be discussed at a later meeting, but seemed not disagreeable to the group.

The Editor’s memo was briefly overviewed and the following changes were discussed:

- The 3 umbrella categories for the Table of Contents work for the CAC of: Natural Environment, Built Environment and People.
- “We believe” is an expression that assumes too much, and does not cover all the justification behind the statements – remove the ‘we believe’.
- “Community honor” should be replaced with “Trust and Transparency.”
- “Cooperation” should replace “Relationships.”

It was recommended to the CAC that a meeting be added to the January schedule in order to make the February 1st completion date.

ADJOURNMENT

Chair Babbitt adjourned the meeting at 6:10 p.m.