

MEETING SUMMARY

Meeting: Downtown Planning Team Meeting #7
Date: May 2, 2018
Time: 5:00 - 7:00 pm
Location: San Antonio River Authority, 100 E. Guenther

Attendees:

<i>Santiago Jaramillo, VIA</i>	<i>JD Simpson, SA Bike Share</i>	<i>Darryl Ohlenbusch, Lavaca NA</i>
<i>Ben Perry, UTSA</i>	<i>Susan Beavin, S.A. Conservation</i>	<i>Margie Beecher, Downtown</i>
<i>Ernest Haffner, UTSA</i>	<i>Society</i>	<i>Residents Association</i>
<i>Thomas Davis, Roosevelt Park NA</i>	<i>Pamela Hannah, San Antonio</i>	<i>Atiya Mitchell, UTSA Student</i>
<i>Rogelio Munoz, World Heritage</i>	<i>Museum of Art</i>	<i>Cory Edwards, OHP</i>
<i>Office</i>	<i>Elizabeth Kertesz, SA 2030 District</i>	<i>Warren Wilkinson, Centro</i>
<i>Chris Lazaro, CCDO</i>	<i>Michelle Garza, San Antonio River</i>	<i>Chrissy McCain, Council District 1</i>
<i>Tracy Moon, King William</i>	<i>Authority</i>	<i>Chris Villa, Council District 3</i>
<i>Association</i>	<i>Maria Nelson, Centro</i>	
<i>Belinda Hartwig, S.A. Chamber of</i>	<i>Rhea Roberts, COSA/CMO</i>	
<i>Commerce</i>		

Meeting Purpose

The purpose of Planning Team Meeting #7 was to continue discussion of the Downtown Regional Center Plan future land use element, discussion of complete neighborhoods and input on amenities and infrastructure improvements.

Meeting Format

The Downtown Regional Center Project Manager, Jacob Floyd recapped the previous work the Planning Team has done regarding the future land use element and presented revisions reflecting the input received so far. The Planning Team discussed the future land use element as a group with notes recorded on a flipchart by Andrew Rutz, Co-Project Manager with MIG. Jay Renkens, Principle in Charge with MIG, then made a presentation on how the SA Tomorrow Comprehensive Plan emphasizes neighborhoods and explained the concept of a "Complete Neighborhood." Following the presentation the Planning Team carried out a group exercise to discuss and map out the infrastructure and amenity elements most critical to creating "Complete Neighborhoods" in the Downtown Plan Area.

This memo provides a summary of the Downtown Planning Team discussion of future land use as well as the results of the "Complete Neighborhoods" discussion.

Comments/Concerns - Future Land Use Element

Key comments and questions from the Planning Team's discussion are summarized below:

- Mixed Use along South St. Mary's, Presa, and Roosevelt should be urban in scale rather than neighborhood scaled. Specific concerns regarding building mass and land use types should be addressed in the narrative of the plan; particularly with regard to the Roosevelt Park segment.

- Guidance as to the form of corridors should be included in the narrative similar to the focus area descriptions.
- Neighborhood Profiles and Priorities section will also be an opportunity to articulate specific concerns.

Breakout Group Results - Amenities and Infrastructure

The full list of amenity types contemplated by the Planning Team is listed below. The results of the amenity mapping small group discussions are displayed in photographs at the end of this summary.

- Gateway places
- Improved pedestrian environment
- Pocket parks
- Active recreation
- Natural features
- Stormwater management
- Low impact development (LID)
- Social spaces
- Spaces for children
- Signage and wayfinding
- Tree canopy/landscaping
- Healthy food access
- Grocery store
- Pedestrian safety
- Lighting
- Public art
- Water access (kayaking)
- “Character-defining features”

The small group activity to discuss the locations of future amenities was recorded on maps of the plan area. The legend and photographs of these maps are displayed in figures 3 and 4 at the end of this summary.

Next Steps

The next Planning Team Meeting will take place January 8, 2019, 6:00 - 7:30 p.m., at the Central Library Auditorium, 600 Soledad Street.

If you have questions about the Downtown planning project, please contact Project Manager Jacob Floyd, City of San Antonio Planning Department.

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Meeting summaries and presentation will be available on the project website:

<https://downtown.sacomplan.com>

Infrastructure and Amenities

-  • Active Recreation Opportunities
-  • Natural Feature to Celebrate
-  • Stormwater Management
-  • Low Impact Development (LID) Techniques
-  – Green Streets
-  • Social Spaces, Small Plazas, Pocket Parks
-  • Signage and Wayfinding
-  • Tree Canopy / Landscaping
-  • Healthy Food Access
-  • Pedestrian Safety
-  • Lighting
-  • Public Art
-  • “Character-Defining Features”

Figure 1. Infrastructure and Amenities Legend



Figure 2. Infrastructure and Amenities Breakout Group Results

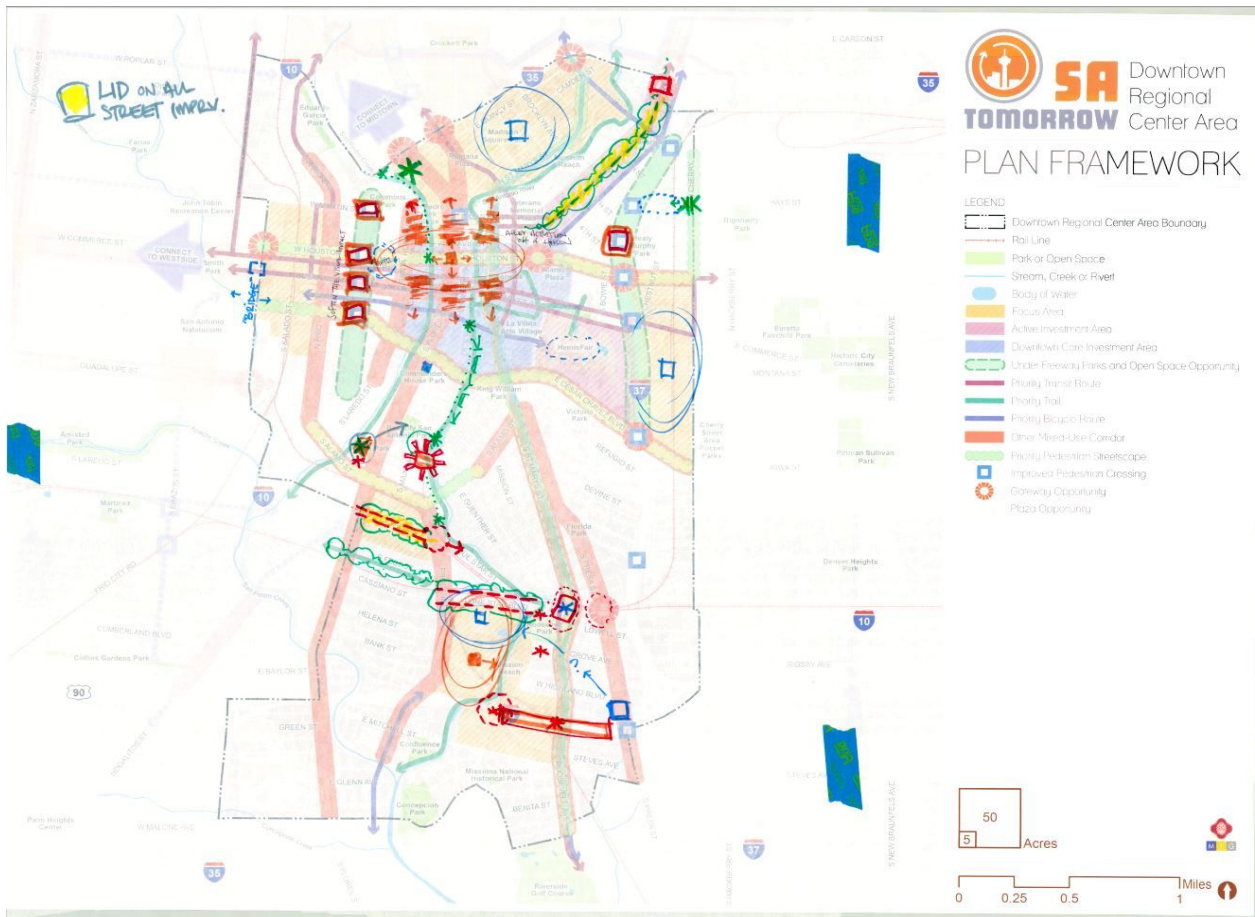


Figure 3. Infrastructure and Amenities Breakout Group Results

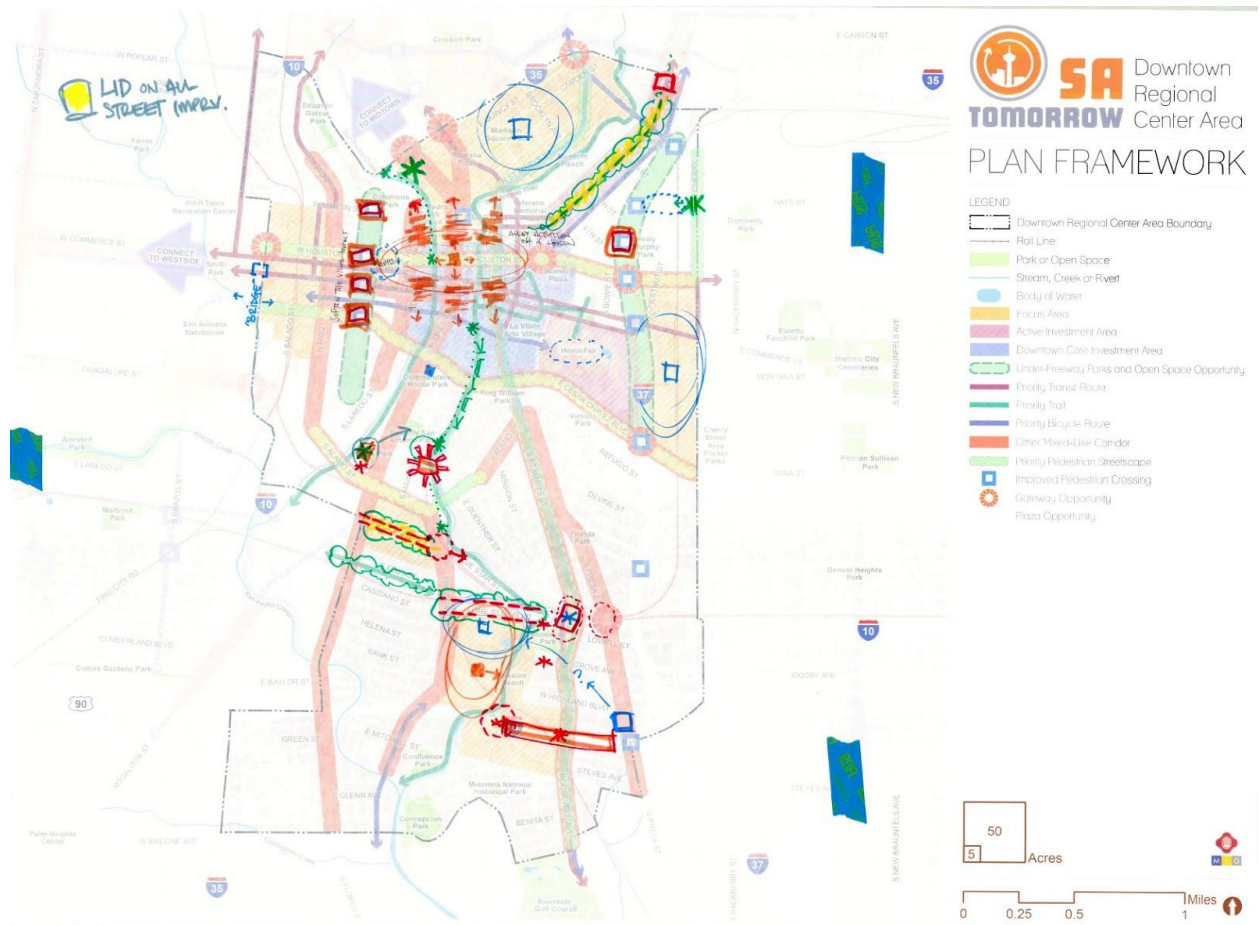


Figure 4. Infrastructure and Amenities Breakout Group Results