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# Gilroy General Plan

## Advisory Committee Meeting

April 16, 2014; 6:30 p.m. to 8:30 p.m.

Gilroy Library Community Room, 350 W. Sixth St., Gilroy, CA 95020

Chair: Mayor Pro Tempore Perry Woodward

Vice-Chair: Council Member Cat Tucker

### Action Minutes

#### I. Call to Order

Members present: Bass, Bottini, Brownlow, Carmichael, Fischer, Glines, Howard, LeDon, Muniz, Pace, Scheel, Speno, Tognetti, Wendt, Wolfe, Woodward, Zollinger.  
Members absent: Ashford, Clark, Lief, Sanford, Suner, Tucker, Vanni.

#### II. Meeting Minutes

Unanimously approved action minutes from February 12, 2014.

#### III. Public Comment on Items Not on the Agenda:

There were no public comments on items not on the agenda.

**Written Materials Provided to the GPAC at the Meeting.** Staff provided the GPAC copies of the draft summary of Community Workshop No. 2. The information was not provided to the GPAC in advance because it was only completed the day before the meeting. Staff provided the materials to the GPAC for information only; no action was required. Acceptance of written materials provided less than 72 hours in advance of the meeting requires GPAC approval. After discussion, the GPAC voted to accept the materials. There was one "no" vote.

#### IV. Work Program Review and Schedule Status Report

Stan Ketchum, Project Manager, provided an overview of the General Plan work program, schedule, and GPAC meeting topics. The Project is currently in Phase 3, Visioning. At its May 14<sup>th</sup> meeting, the GPAC will be asked to recommend a vision and guiding principles for Planning Commission and City Council approval. The GPAC will also discuss potential focus areas for land use change and provide

direction to the consultants and staff for preparations for the June 21, 2014 land use alternatives workshop. Stan reported that the General Plan project is on schedule. The GPAC took no action.

#### **V. Presentation of Draft Background Report**

Jim Harnish, General Plan consultant provided a summary of the contents and purpose of the Background Report, which is intended to provide the staff, GPAC and decision-makers with the information necessary to develop the new General Plan. The Report is posted on the General Plan website. GPAC members may submit written comments on the Report. Chair Woodward clarified that the Report contains factual information and that the Committee should provide input on the accuracy of the information in the report and any additional factual information. The GPAC will not be asked to take action on the Report because the City Council will not separately approve the Report. Instead, the Background Report will be adopted as a part of the EIR certification and General Plan approval action at the end of the Project. GPAC members will be provided CDs with copies of the Report. A "track-change" version of the report indicating GPAC comments will be prepared for GPAC review prior to completion of the Report. The Background Report will be on the May 14<sup>th</sup> GPAC agenda for further discussion. The GPAC took no action.

#### **VI. Presentation of Draft Vision and Guiding Principles**

Dave Amos, General Plan consultant, presented the draft Vision and Guiding Principles. The Draft was largely based on public input received at the April 2, 2014 Community Workshop. Dave presented two alternative Vision Statements and 10 Guiding Principles for GPAC discussion. After a short discussion, Chairman Woodward took a straw poll regarding preferences for the Vision Statement. The GPAC unanimously chose Vision Statement No. 1 as a starting point. GPAC members then discussed a number of possible refinements to the vision statement. Staff and consultants took discussion notes and will provide a revised Vision Statement for GPAC action at the May 14<sup>th</sup> meeting.

The GPAC then discussed the 10 draft Guiding Principles. Many refinements were suggested by GPAC members. Additional guiding principle topics were also suggested. Staff and consultants took discussion notes and will provide revised Guiding Principles for GPAC action at the May 14<sup>th</sup> meeting. GPAC members were requested to provide any additional comments on the Draft Vision and Guiding Principles to Stan Ketchum by April 30, 2014.

Comments from members of the public regarding the Vision and Guiding Principles were also received and will be taken into consideration in the preparation of the revised draft documents. The GPAC took no further action on the Vision and Guiding Principles.

**VII. General Announcements**

- a. The Final Economic Development Strategic Plan, the document "A Conversation About Gilroy," and General Plan Newsletter No. 2 are included on the General Plan website at: <http://www.gilroy2040.com/documents/>
- b. Updated handbooks regarding the Brown Act and Political Reform Act-Conflicts of Interest were distributed at the meeting.
- c. Due to the full agenda, the meeting time for the May 14<sup>th</sup> GPAC meeting may be extended to 9:00 p.m.

**VIII. Correspondence**

- d. Letter from Joan Karns resigning from the GPAC was included in the packet.

**IX. Adjournment to the May 14, 2014 Committee meeting**

Chairman Woodward adjourned the meeting at 8:25 p.m. The next GPAC meeting will be on May 14<sup>th</sup>, 2014.