

# East Central Area Plan Steering Committee Meeting #17



Date and Time: Thursday, November 8, 2018, 6 - 8 p.m.

Location: Capitol Hill United Neighborhoods' Tears McFarlane House, 1290 Williams St.

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## Attendees

### STEERING COMMITTEE MEMBERS

Frank Locantore, Chair; Myles Tangalin; Brad Cameron; Michelle Reichmuth; Heather O'Neil; Neil Goldblatt; Jimmy Balafas; Caroline Schomp

### NON-MEMBER TECHNICAL ADVISORS

Brian Klipp

### DENVER ELECTED OFFICIALS

Councilman Wayne New, District 10; Melissa Horn, District 10 staff

### COMMUNITY PLANNING AND DEVELOPMENT STAFF

Scott Robinson; Israel Cruz

### CONSULTANT TEAM

JJ Folsom, PUMA; Brad Segal, PUMA; Dick Farley

### OTHER ATTENDEES

Peter Hadley; David Engelken

## Meeting Summary

### 1. WELCOME

Frank Locantore welcomed the steering committee members and walked the committee through the meeting agenda.

### 2. OPPORTUNITY MAPPING

The steering committee reviewed and made suggestions on maps relating to various topics. They made suggestions on additional opportunities for park or open space, park amenities, and connections on a map showing existing parks and 10-minute walksheds. They made suggestions on sidewalk improvements on a map showing priorities for improving missing and narrow sidewalks from the draft Denver Moves: Pedestrians and Trails plan. They made suggestions on improving street crossings for pedestrians on a map showing existing signalized crossings on the city's High Injury Network, also from Denver Moves: Pedestrians and Trails. They made suggestions on improving bicycle facilities on a map showing existing and proposed facilities from Denver Moves: Bicycles. And they made suggestions on potential development opportunities on a map showing areas where underutilization, existing zoning, consolidated

ownership, and proximity to transit indicate additional development may be feasible and appropriate. The suggestions will be used in developing recommendations to be examined during the community charrette in February.

### 3. FOCUS GROUPS

Scott Robinson reintroduced the focus groups, which will be meetings involving topic experts and community members to dive more deeply into the topics of design, mobility, housing, development, and green infrastructure and parks. The committee made suggestions for subject matter groups that should be invited to participate including the Colorado Cross-Disability Coalition, DRMAC, the Mayor's Bike and Pedestrian Committees, the Natural Resources Defense Council, the Park People, Denver Digs Trees, Colorado Housing and Finance Authority, Sustainable Neighborhoods Network, and the National Trust for Historic Preservation.

### 4. MYTHS, FACTS, AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

Scott Robinson asked the committee to provide examples of questions or comments they had heard in the community about the plan that could be compiled, along with responses, into a frequently asked questions (FAQ) document that committee members could use in answering questions or addressing neighborhood groups. The committee provided the following questions:

- How is the plan addressing parking/when is the parking plan going to be done?
- How does the East Central Plan relate to the Denveright plans?
- What is the timeline for the plan and when are opportunities for public input?

The committee is encouraged to provide additional questions by email, and staff will compile the FAQ document.