

Geyserville Planning Committee Draft Minutes
Public Meeting

February 19, 2019

7:00 to 9:00 pm

Present: Daisy Damskey, Paul Connors, Ryan Petersen, Walter Kieser, Bryce Jones, Brian Sullivan, and Hal Hinkle. Absent: None

President's Welcome and Introductions

President Damskey opened the meeting and noted a large number of community members present (estimate, 25) and that this evening we would be focusing on a presentation of the Community Survey effort that culminates two years of effort by the GPC and community volunteers.

Agenda Update

No changes to Agenda were suggested.

Approval of Minutes and Meeting Agenda

Minutes of the February GPC Meetings were reviewed. Minutes were approved, subject to minor changes suggested by Member Petersen, on a motion by Member Hinkle, seconded by Member Peterson.

1. Public Comments on Items Not on Agenda

A community member asked about the proposal to create a gas station complex at the Canyon Road exit of the freeway. He was informed that roundly negative community opinion as well as need for rezoning, etc., at the County led to the proposal being withdrawn. There was also a report regarding the status of River Road noting that the County may declare an emergency in order to overcome institutional gridlock (multi-agency permitting) that has previously prevented a solution to the potential loss of this critical roadway in the Community.

2. Committee Outside Correspondence and Communication

There was no outside correspondence or communication noted by GPC members.

3. Consent Calendar Items

No items on the consent calendar (the Consent Calendar will include items such as authorizing routine payments of invoices and approval of contracts, etc., that have been previously discussed).

4. Financial Report

No financial report was given. Necessary information and action step occurred during the February 12th GPC meeting.

5. Presentations

John Cash, a member of the Community Survey Subcommittee, distributed copies of the completed Community Survey and a companion statistical summary of Geyserville and then made a formal presentation of the Survey results in PowerPoint format. A very lively conversation with the attending community members followed covering a range of topics touched upon in the Survey, particularly focused on Community priorities and needs. It was suggested that central Geyserville be referred to as the “Community Core”, rather than the “Downtown” as this is more appropriate given the area’s scale. Improved parking and related access, installation of continuous sidewalks in the Community Core, creation of a public bathroom serving visitors, better signage and “wayfinding” features, and the desire for a larger grocery store were raised and discussed.

The GPC expressed its gratitude for the effort expended by John Cash and other Subcommittee members in the completion, documentation, and presentation of the Community Survey.

6. Pending Development Project Reports

No Project referrals have recently been received from PRMD and no projects were formally discussed.

7. Member and Committee Reports

Member Kieser reported that in response to GPC direction at the February 12th meeting a formal draft letter to Supervisor Gore had been prepared and circulated to the GPC members. The letter cites our collective concerns regarding the formation and operation of the Municipal Advisory Council. It was informally agreed that the draft letter should be finalized and forwarded to Supervisor Gore.

8. Board and Policy Matters

Adjourn

The GPC meeting of February 19, 2019 was adjourned at 8:30 PM. The next meeting of the GPC, meeting, will be held on Tuesday, March 12, 2019 at 4:00 PM. The meeting is open to the public who are encouraged to attend and participate.