

# District 10 Land Use Plan

## Advisory Committee Meeting – February 11, 2004

### Committee Members present:

Shawn Holyoak

Kirk Williams

Donna Halstead

Luke Davis

Chuck Canfield

Derek Reidling

Tim O'Ferrall

Susan Morgan

Mary Doman

Pauline Dixon

Bill Hendrix

Michael Miles

Warren Ellis

Also present was Mike Cothorn of Presidio Realty, in attendance as an observer.

### Meeting Notes

#### Transportation and Civic Issues

##### Transportation

The meeting began with a PowerPoint presentation on transportation and civic issues. This included the road system, DART light rail system, parks, recreation centers, hike and bike trails, libraries, and schools.

Beginning with transportation, the principal issues identified were:

1. White Rock Valley, Moss Farm, Town Creek, and a few other neighborhood's streets are in need of repair. These areas have a significant number of streets with a condition of D or E, signifying a poor state of repair.
2. A DART light rail station is needed at Kingsley Road, though several things are needed before the station could be built.
  - a. First, a request from the community and City Council would be required for DART to get the station on the funding plan
  - b. The road infrastructure around the probable station location is such that improvements would need to be made in order to support the station.
3. Other DART related issues revolved around what the best type of development would be around stations. Each station is different from the others; some will work best starting with residential with retail and/or office coming later (similar to Mockingbird Station), while others might be capable of supporting a regional shopping center

## Parks and Recreation Centers

1. The Sundance apartments will be demolished to make room for a new DISD High School, which will provide improvements to Fair Oaks park and athletic fields.
2. The Park Department indicates that approximately five additional neighborhood parks are needed in District 10 (1 to 15 acres serving 5,000 people), though no sites have been selected or purchased. The committee will make suggestions on locations for these park sites as part of its work.
3. A new recreation center will probably be located at Audelia Park, though it will most likely be a joint use facility with the RISD school at that site.
4. The potential exists that a large Multigenerational Center and a separate Aquatic Facility will be located in District 10. The committee will identify "best locations" for these type of facilities as part of its work.

## Hike and Bike Trails

1. Cottonwood Creek trail, running from White Rock Creek through the High Five to Richardson, needs funding for design and construction for portions of the trail (large segments are already built or have funding in place).
2. White Rock Creek trail needs to be completely reconstructed. Funding for design and construction of this redeveloped trail is needed.
3. A new trail, the Lake Highlands trail, is planned to run from Lake Highlands North park east to Ferndale. Funding is needed for design and construction of this trail.

## Libraries

1. The Forest Green branch will be relocated and replaced with a new branch. Staff is working to identify the proposed location for this branch. If a location has not yet been identified, the committee will identify potential locations for this facility.
2. A branch library north of LBJ is needed.
3. Potential locations for some/all of these new branches include a shared site with Richland College which plans a bond program for library reconstruction and expansion, as well as DART light rail stations.

## Schools

1. Luke Davis spoke to the committee about how RISD locates schools. He explained that RISD locates schools where the kids are. With that in mind, the committee will undertake to create a future land use plan that allows RISD to create a balanced and sustainable system of schools. The committee will decide where population growth will occur in the future; RISD can use this plan and contribute to it to help them located their schools for long term stability and efficient use of their facilities.

The committee will hold its next meeting on March 10, 2004, at 3 pm, at the Lake Highlands Recreation Center.