

Doney Park-Timberline-Fernwood Area Plan Update Committee
Meeting #10 Notes September 10, 2020 5:00-8:00 pm
Zoom Meeting

I. Welcome and Introductions

Committee members

Bryan Bates (chair)
Dave Browning
Evelyn Wannie
John Ruggles
Harriet Young
Monica Julian
Rob Wilson
Cameron Watson
Liz Baldwin
Bernice Carver
Saylor Caudill

Staff

Melissa Shaw
Jess McNeely
Jessica Simmons
Bethan Heng

Members of the Public

Steve Sessions
Kris

II. Review of Previous Meeting Notes

Follow-up on questions from the August 13 notes:

- Are there any land exchanges planed in the DPTF area? No
- Any there any plans to thin the unthinned forest along the western border of the DPTF area?
Still don't know.

Follow-up on questions from the July 9 notes:

- What percent of residents in DPTF are renters? Still don't know.
- Add code violations and preserving cultural resources to "challenges" list.

The August 13 notes were accepted.

III. Asset Mapping

Identifies a community's strengths, what's needed to sustain the vision, and barriers to achieving the vision. Melissa demonstrated Konveio website with DPTF map and where people can add location-specific asset and barrier notes; these can be ideas for what to include in the area plan. Melissa added a few comments from committee members into the site to demonstrate how the site works so that everybody has an idea of how to add comments, and the types of things to add. Committee members are encouraged to access the site and add assets and barriers.

IV. Draft Vision Statement

Melissa shared draft vision statements in four categories that she wrote based on past committee. Discussion included the following points:

- Regarding DPTF possibly being a gateway: maybe more educational materials/opportunities to educate visitors about what is important to the area are needed, possibly via local vendors. This can be a strategy to put into the plan.
- Being welcoming and inclusive of *all* types of people, and language in the plan reflecting that, are important.
- Regarding multifamily, higher-density, and affordable housing options: removed “supportive of multifamily housing” options from the vision statement, but left in “other” housing options, so there could still be tiny houses or other innovative, lower-impact ideas. It’s important to keep lots large and limit the number of residences on a lot to preserve the rural character of DPTF, but the committee should consider that that would likely restrict options for lower-income families. Could consider that clustered or higher density housing might be more appropriate in some areas than others, and the area plan could identify those areas.
- Multimodal paths: there are plans for these but no funding currently

Melissa made edits to the vision statements and will send out a revised draft.

V. Draft Community Survey

The committee looked at a draft community survey which will go out to DPTF residents. Discussion points and edits included:

- Should it be limited to one survey per household? Should teens be invited to participate? They’ll be adults during the life of the plan.
- Ask how much land landowners own and whether they plan to split or subdivide
- Ask how many children living at home and whether there is anyone with special needs in the household
- Is it important to ask people’s race? It can be important for knowing what services are needed in the community.
- Some of the activities listed in Question 32 potentially conflict with one another; add a question about whether people think there could or should be something done to help with that. The Board of Supervisors could ask the Forest Service to address this, perhaps by creating special areas for certain activities, if there is enough interest.
- Add two items to the survey which were on the previous survey: 1) Are there any special characteristics in the planning area that should be preserved or enhanced? and 2) Please provide any input you’d like for the DPTF planning committee.
- Add illegal dumping to Forest Service management issues.
- Ask in Question 12 whether residents think current minimum lot sizes should be maintained.

Melissa will make all changes/edits and send out to the committee ASAP with a deadline to respond.

VI. Next Meeting

October 8

- Review goals and policies
- Send out survey, with a postcard mailing ahead of the survey with a link to the Coconino County DPTF area plan website

- Open houses and outreach

VII. Public Comments

None

VIII. Community Outreach Planning Brainstorming

- Self-guided driving tour of DPTF for people who want to participate more in the area planning process
- Facebook and Nextdoor posts (Rob)
- Maybe a Public Service Announcement on KAFF and notice in newspaper about the survey. Melissa will talk with County public relations people about those.
- Committee members should continue to think about more ideas for community outreach