

Crestone Redevelopment Project (CRP)

Community Outreach Meeting **NOTES**

Saturday, January 21, 2012 (3:00 – 5:00 PM) - Crestone Community Building

Forty (40) community members signed the meeting attendance sheet. There were also a few who did not sign in but were in attendance. Approximately forty-five (45) total community members attended the meeting.

As of January 24th there are (an update on these numbers will be provided at the February 6th Planning Commission meeting):

- Eleven (11) community members who have signed up to be considered for the “Refine the Vision” Committee (RVC).
- Fourteen (14) have signed up to complete any surveys we send out.
- Eight (8) have said that they would be interested in being part of the Partnership.

Two (2) spreadsheet lists have been created capturing contact information for those who attended the meeting and also for those who filled out the application form signing up for specific items. In addition, a comprehensive spreadsheet list containing potential partners has been created. (See attached Excel files)

The following notes came from the “**Share Your Ideas**” sheets that were posted for attendees to write down their thoughts and ideas:

- Pavestone paths and roads.
- Bike friendly roads.
- More positive youth hangout spots.
- Open a public office for project display and information sharing.
- Public display of project in semi-permanent spot – information kiosk.
- Targeted outreach to existing grassroots community organizations (Holistic Living Alliance, Crestone Creative Council).
- Lots of animals in town (dogs) – Dogs included in Master Plan/Redevelopment project?
- Open public dog park/signage places to hitch dogs (great for dog owner socialization).
- Broad covered sidewalks (ADA compliant) with benches and planters (cob, alternative and artistic input).
- Permanent & semi-permanent structure for farm and craft markets.
- Public water feature – fountain – sacred water representation, drinking, aesthetic, etc.
- Include Charter School.
- Architect & Design Co. – 505 Design (Boulder, CO) Nick Igel – contact Steve Futral 256-4848 for contact information.
- Monterey Design/Consulting – Eco-texture, green design, planning, consulting for alliance building, consortium development.
- Use a Facebook page & group for Committee and ScSEED – photos album for pictures – use all social media forms to communicate with community.
- Solar gardens.
- Native plant and tree assoc. for establishing landscape design with sidewalks and curbing.
- Cultivate culture of peace of Crestone.

- Community altar – non-denominations for death announcements, community issues, celebrations, candles, etc.
- Use conversation café (process piece) to obtain input from greater community.
- Look into an architectural “Charette” – process involves group of new urbanist planners and all “stake holders” in community. Builds consensus also all should read “Suburban Nation.”
- Angel investors, alternative fund-raising kick-starter.
- Let’s look at the possibility of being energy independent for downtown lighting needs. Using PV, wind, or even hydro incorporated into the Town water system (as the water comes down hill from the tank.)

Planning Commission’s Next Steps

- Review list of community members who have signed up to participate on the Refine the Vision Committee (RVC).
- Decide how many (#) and which community members you want to serve on the RVC.
- Pick a date, time and location for the first meeting of the RVC.
- Discuss agenda topics for the first meeting of the RVC with Kim.
- Review list of potential partners and agree on invite letter format (Kim will bring sample).
- Review the IDEAS list (see above) from outreach meeting and determine which items, if any, to pursue.

ScSEED’s Next Steps

- Report on ScSEED project website page, facebook page, etc.
- Send invitations to become a member of the CRPP – build CRPP! Draft a invite letter for review by the Planning Commission (PC)
- Work with PC to develop membership for the “Refine the Vision” Committee
- Schedule first meeting of the “Refine the Vision” Committee – send out invites to those who were selected – announce first meeting date, time and location.
- Work with the RVC to develop the first SURVEY for the community.
- Research potential grant & matching funding sources for the planning grant funding.