

**DRAFT MINUTES  
OF THE  
VISION SALINAS 2040 STEERING COMMITTEE  
GENERAL PLAN UPDATE  
SEPTEMBER 22, 2021**

**WELCOME AND STAFF INTRODUCTIONS**

**PRESENT:** Jonathan de Anda, Xago Juarez, Vicente Lara, Robin lee, David Mack, John Meeks, Alexis Mendez, Omar Perez, Carissa Purnell, Meg Clovis

**ABSENT:** Sloan T Campi, Alejandro Chavez, Dennis Donohue, Paul Farmer, Maria Elena Manzo, Jonathan Ordiano, Matthew Ottone

**STAFF:** Planning manager, Lisa Brinton; Associate Planner, Monica Gurmilan; Senior Planner, Jonathan Moore

**COMMENTS FROM THE PUBLIC**

No public comments were received.

**MEETING OBJECTIVES**

- I. Receive direction on the General Plan organization options
- II. Provide updates on district land use meetings
- III. Receive direction on working group organization structure and timeline

**DISCUSSION ITEMS**

Meeting minutes from August 25, 2021 were approved.

John began by reviewing last meeting's discussion about the General Plan organization options. He reminded the committee of the 2 favored organization approaches. The options were narrowed to organizing by pillars, and the second option is based on organizing by element. Committee members agreed that these were still the favorite 2 options. Carissa and Robin, both established that they liked the idea of organizing it by pillars. Monica explained that conversation can continue in future meetings.

Monica proceeded to discuss updates on the District Land Use Workshops. She stated that 5 meetings have been completed and we're missing District 5. Monica explained the expected outcomes and organization of the meetings. She explained that meetings begin by discussing general thoughts about what Salinas is missing and what the community wants to see in our city. After, they talk about specific ideas that they have for their district. Monica discussed that the

focus for the meetings is to gather ideas on how to efficiently utilize our existing/ developed land. John reviewed some of the general feedback received in the Land Use Meetings. Committee and staff discussed some of the options on what to build in empty/ vacant spaces, they also provided feedback on general land use.

Monica began discussing working groups organization and timeline. She suggested using the pillars to organize/start the working groups. She continued by sharing the three pillars, which are, Built Environment, The Natural Systems, and Socioeconomic System. She suggested the idea of having meetings focusing on each pillar to help break into different groups. Monica shared the possible dates for future working group meetings.

Monica shared updates and details on our upcoming City Resource Fair for October 2<sup>nd</sup>, 2021.

## **FOLLOW-UP REPORTS**

None

## **FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS**

- I. Existing conditions
- II. Policy scan
- III. Draft land use map/designations

## **ADJOURNMENT**

Alexis adjourned the meeting.

