

Week One Workshop Summary

Overview

The first San Antonio Heights Community Workshop for the San Bernardino Community Plans Continuum took place on September 15, 2016 from 6:00 – 8:30 p.m. at the Life Bible Fellowship Church. The meeting consisted of an informational PowerPoint presentation by San Bernardino County Land Use Services (LUS) and Michael Baker International and several interactive exercises, including a SWOT (Strengths, Weaknesses, Opportunities, and Threats) Analysis, a Values and Aspirations discussion, and the drafting of preliminary goals and objectives. The SWOT and Values and Aspirations are presented as written by workshop attendees. Changes were made to remove specific names, titles or inappropriate comments or to simplify a comment.

SWOT Analysis

Strengths

- Community association for governance
- Close knit community
- Good support, Sheriff and Fire
- Rural Environment
- No sidewalks
- Eclectic individual character
- The People
- Not lots of cars or traffic – more causal lifestyle
- Sense of community
- Remote feel
- Feel of community
- Quiet
- Close to rural area
- Lack of development
- Self-governing
- Produce exchange
- The people
- Privacy
- Produce exchange
- Caring community
- Large lots
- Walkable
- Fire Department and EMT's in Heights
- Trees
- Wildlife
- Feeling of country
- Community is maintained by residence
- Unique homes
- Citizens on patrol
- Own water company
- Quiet on the streets
- Natural beauty of San Antonio Heights
- More of an opportunity to associate with neighbors
- Smaller – non incorporated community
- Excellent social activities for multiple generations
- More 'rural' than the areas around the Heights
- Privacy
- Most people love to live here – take pride in our community
- Large lots
- Safe
- Strong community
- It's quiet here
- We communicate with our residents
- involved

Weaknesses

- Transient population
- graffiti
- In emergencies have our fires personnel / No assistance during last fire
- Traffic control
- Water
- I am against San Bern vision
- Indirect/remove representation [sic]
- Lack of police and fire protection
- San Bern needs to become fiscal responsible
- Streets
- Robberies – mail theft
- No more grant \$
- Number of children
- Older community
- Lack of sidewalks

- Police response
- We need more law enforcement
- Fire ever present danger
- Lack of participation/involvement in community events
- Crime has been up

Opportunities

- Walking
- Hiking
- Animals are ok horses, etc.
- Minimum lot sizes
- Grocery store
- Hiking or walking group
- Children's play area
- Community park
- Community garden
- To enlarge our law enforcement coverage well needed substation to cover Mt. Baldy and Heights. 24 hour coverage
- Do nothing, no plan needed
- Open canyon to trails access
- Remain single-family housing

Threats

- Flood/fire
- City control
- City changes and rules in County
- Water company control by others
- Water control
- External threat = County
- Conservation

- Changing character of San Antonio Heights
- Bikes/walkable communities
- Transit oriented development
- Smart growth
- Sustainability
- Upland wanting to annexation
- Flooding
- Wildfires
- Increased costs
- External control
- Development
- Fire
- Lot splits
- Higher density
- County CEO
- Break ins
- Mail theft
- Youth using some of the streets as lover's lane
- Not becoming part of Upland
- Annexation so that Upland can accrue our property taxes
- Large, noisy parties unpermitted
- Federal, State, County, Regional Plans for San Antonio Heights
- Over development
- People up here trying to make money from the land instead of appreciating it
- Reduced water allotment
- Freeway bring more crime



Values and Aspirations

Values

- Peace
- Freedom from regulations
- Privacy
- Uncrowded
- Rural
- Neighbors help each other
- No buses
- People

Aspirations

- Keep the rural atmosphere
- Keep the rural feel
- Keep our super urban ideas [sic]
- Large lots
- Maintain quality of our life as is
- Recreational – Wilderness trails for locals
- Keep population relatively the same
- Keep local control of water!



Goals and Objectives

Goal 1: Eliminate requirements for sidewalk and curb and gutter for new.

Goal 2: Substation for Sheriff (cert) & Citizen Patrol.

Goal 3: Maintain Local Control.

Goal 4: Participate with County on Plan (not dictated by County).

Goal 5: Obtain Community Zip Code.

Goal 6: Better Right-of-Way Management of Euclid Crescent West (no median) (no bikes or buses).

Goal 7: Maintain Safe, Rural, Home Town Environment.

Goal 8: No Community Gardens.

Goal 9: Keep the current Community Character.

- Objective: Restrict government intervention.
- Objective: Community approval for all San Antonio Heights decisions.
- Objective: Maintain the Community ambiance.

Goal 10: Address Community Safety Concerns.

- Objective: Increase enforcement of existing laws.
- Objective: Create education (safety) plan for the community.

Goal 11: Create a sense of Uniqueness/Identify/Quality of Life.

- Objective: Create identifying features for the community.
- Objective: Improve community trails.

Goal 12: Determine Projects that are financially realistic.

- Objective: Financial metrics.
- Objective: Perform cost/benefit analysis for projects.

Goal 13: Increase Young Adults involvement in Community.

Goal 14: Work together to maintain Rural Character.

