

# Meeting 2 Workshop Summary

## Values and Aspirations Review

During the second workshop in Phelan/Pinon Hills, community members were shown values and aspirations segments that they helped develop during the previous workshop. Participants were asked to comment on whether or not each statement was a value or aspiration of the community, not whether or not that particular statement addressed something present or missing in the community currently. The comments listed below have been grouped according to the individual segment that they addressed.

The final community values and aspirations will be statements that express what existing characteristics meeting participants would like to maintain, as well as what they would like to see in their community in the future. These revised segments will be formed into descriptive statements that help to shape the final goals and objectives in the community plan.

## Workshop 2 Values Notes

- The open space and proximity to nature provided by the area. (Well Stated: 16, Not Well Stated: 0)
- Animal keeping, gardening, and agricultural. (Well Stated: 15, Not Well Stated: 0)
- Unhindered views of the sunsets and stars. (Well Stated: 14, Not Well Stated: 0)
- Community safety, health, and peace. (Well Stated: 5, Not Well Stated: 12)
- The friendliness, independence, and cooperation of a rural community that controls its own future. (Well Stated: 12, Not Well Stated: 0)

## Workshop 2 Aspirations Notes

- Preserve the surrounding natural environment and the rural landscape. (Well Stated: 13, Not Well Stated: 0)
- Maintain the rural character of the community. (Well Stated: 14, Not Well Stated: 0)
- Safety improvements and related services for the area. (Well Stated: 1, Not Well Stated: 14)
- Enforcement of current codes and plans. (Well Stated: 0, Not Well Stated: 13)
- Enhancement of critical infrastructure. (Well Stated: 1, Not Well Stated: 11)
- Ensure local input and decision-making is maximized throughout future planning and development processes. (Well Stated: 14, Not Well Stated: 3)

## Goals and Objectives Brainstorming

During the second workshop in the Phelan/Pinon Hills Community, community members used Post-It Notes to develop and prioritize goals and objectives that they felt best represented the future direction of Phelan/Pinon Hills. These goals and objectives were informed by the values and aspirations developed during the previous workshop. The bullet points listed below have been grouped according to “goal” and “objective” and will serve as a base to define future goal and objective statements.

The final community goals will be succinct statements that express the community's desire to achieve their aspirations. A brief narrative for each goal will be provided in the future that describes the goal in more detail. This narrative will include both the County's and the community's role in implementing the goal.

Under each goal statement, objectives brainstormed by the community and refined by the team will be written with a measurable outcome and a target timeframe for implementation. These objectives will be oriented toward local implementation actions rather than topics, goals, and policies addressed through the Countywide Plan.

## Workshop 2 Goals and Objectives Notes

*Goal: Minimize fees and streamline the development approval process for development in commercial, industrial, and residential areas, and reduce requirements to encourage small business*

- Allow large lots to be easily split into smaller 2.5 acre sites, to allow small contractors to bring jobs to the community
- No money into road funds because no one can build
- Fewer restrictions
- Change development process to minimize fees and save time
- More prudent use of county fees
- More support and fewer regulations for small business
- Streamline approval process for small business
- Add more retail services
- Reduce all County building fees to promote development and land value
- Reduce new construction fees
- Change commercial types and allowed uses as more "pro-growth"
- Allow additional uses within existing commercial property

*Goal: Maintain rural atmosphere by retaining large lots, compatible uses, and open space*

- Agricultural uses in residential areas
- Reduce light pollution
- Leave lot size at a 2.5 acre minimum
- Conditional use permits (CUPs) and variances must be in line with zoning
- Keep existing residential density
- Organized livestock education
- Expand within existing commercial zones, instead of adding new commercial zones
- Allow additional uses within existing commercial property
- Need industrial zoned pockets near major roads
- Less development standards
- Less rigidity
- No subdivisions less than 2 acres

*Goal: Improve traffic flow and safety by creating community road plan and by paving major arterials*

- Add more paved arterial roadways
- Add a stop at Johnson Road and Duncan
- Pave Duncan from Victorville to Phelan
- Add a stop sign at Phelan Elementary and a crosswalk on Phelan Road
- Curbs, gutters, paved and maintained roads

- Sidewalks from residential area into town
- Develop graded and maintained dirt roads – safety issues

*Goal: Improve access to all services, especially emergency services by enhancing the quality of response and service*

- Medical services, 24 hour urgent care and medical scholarships with service clauses
- No fire response fee when 911 is called but there is no emergency
- Correct emergency related fees
- Find other options for power, rather than installing wind and solar farms
- Safe water
- Expand natural gas service
- Remove Oak Hills and West Victorville from Snowline School District
- Community swimming pool
- Add a YMCA
- Add a High Desert nature center
- Add more code enforcement especially to oversee trucking
- Add more enforcement for illegal drug use control

*Goal: Preserve the past for the future by the creation of monuments sponsored by businesses and individuals*

- Create wayfinding signs along historic trails
- Create community monuments
- Allow businesses and individuals sponsoring monument signs

*Goal: Improve communication with law enforcement by requesting an open forum with the substation*

- Talk to Sherriff's at the CSD meetings for better communication
- Remove squatters and enforce codes
- Have police enforce laws and codes
- Police and enforce the illegal use of OHV on public and private roads
- Signage on roads stating OHV use laws
- Increase police patrols
- Community open talk night

*Goal: Create or provide a cost effective way to develop equestrian trails and trails for non-motorized vehicles*

- Develop a community equestrian center and park areas
- Protection and development of equestrian trails
- Add horse trails, walking trails, bike trails
- Use dedicated easements for trails (electricity and drainage)
- Designate more off highway vehicle (OHV) trails
- Keep sand rails and OHV off private roads

*Goal: Create incentives for community clean-up and waste recycling*

- Free hazardous waste pick up
- Remove illegal dump piles
- Provide medical services, 24-hour urgent care, and medical scholarships with service clauses
- Remove weeds from downtown area
- Make it easier to dispose of tires, old furniture, etc. to discourage dumping
- Provide incentives for waste recycling

- Beautification of all commercial and residential areas, including trash clean-up and litter removal
- Make it more accessible to dispose of tires, furniture, etc., instead of dumping in the desert
- Clean up desert trash

*Goal: Increase community involvement*

- Political presence in County government
- More political involvement by citizens with local and state legislature

## Goal Prioritization

After participants brainstormed goals and objectives, all of the identified goals were posted on the wall. Participants were given a set number of sticky dots that represented where they would spend their resources. They could place the dots on any of the goals they felt should be the highest priority. The results of prioritization are as follows:

Goal	Prioritization
Minimize fees and streamline development approval process, and reduce requirements to encourage small business	31
Maintain rural atmosphere by maintaining lot sizes of 2.5 acres or larger	28
Create or provide a cost effective way to develop equestrian trails	27
Develop graded and maintained dirt roads due to safety issues	20
Retain large lots, compatible uses, and open space to preserve rural lifestyle	19
Improve access to all services, especially emergency services by enhancing the quality of response and service	17
Preserve the past for the future by the creation of monuments sponsored by businesses and individuals	17
Reduction in fees to encourage development in the commercial, industrial and existing residential areas	16
Improve communication with law enforcement by requesting an open forum with the substation	12
Ensure safe and efficient trails for non-motorized vehicles	12
Create a safe and effective transportation system to route trucks around major business area, allow for emergency access and provide senior transportation	11
Ensure commercial and industrial zoning is appropriate for maintaining rural lifestyles and meets the needs of residents, potentially changing commercial types and allowed uses as more "pro-growth"	11
Improve traffic flow and safety by creating community road plan and by paving major arterials	10
Ensure land use development is compatible with rural zoning	0
Create incentives for community clean-up and waste recycling	NEW
Increase community involvement	NEW

## Land Use and Infrastructure Summary

In addition to the community plan, workshop participants were asked to provide feedback on land use and infrastructure issues that would be utilized in the creation of the new Countywide Plan. Participants viewed existing land uses and provided feedback on future land uses through placing comments on sticky notes or drawing on land use map exhibits. In addition, participants also offered written and verbal comments to the meetings facilitators and County staff. The following is a summary of the comments received during the workshop exercise:

### Land Use

- No additional garbage or hazardous waste dumping in the community boundary
- The Rural, Neighborhood, and General Commercial (CR/CN/CE) zoning should not be lumped or considered as the same. They are all different as to their uses. NC or CN does not have one single parcel that is utilized for its intended purpose.

- Place senior living along the areas of Mountain and Smoketree near the fire station and senior center.
- Zone for senior housing and commercial near the post office (Malpaso Road and the road next to the hardware store)
- What is the special development located along Phelan Road and Campanula Road
- Allow large lots to be easily split into smaller 2.5 acre sites, to allow small contractors to bring jobs to the community
- Reduce all County building fees to promote development and land value
- Reduce new construction fees
- Fewer restrictions
- Change development process to minimize fees + save time
- More support and fewer regulations for small business
- Streamline approval process for small business
- Add more retail services
- Leave lot size at a 2.5 acre minimum
- Conditional use permits (CUPs) and variances must be in line with zoning
- Keep existing residential density
- Agricultural uses in residential areas
- Expand within existing commercial zones, instead of adding new commercial zones
- Allow additional uses within existing commercial property
- Need industrial zoned pockets near major roads
- Beautification of all commercial and residential areas, including trash clean-up, litter removal
- No solar farms in the inner community. Keep the parcel sizes the same.
- Agricultural uses in residential areas
- Reduce light pollution
- Less development standards
- No subdivisions less than 2 acres
- Allow additional uses within existing commercial property
- Develop a community equestrian center and park areas
- Remove Oak Hills and West Victorville from Snowline School District
- Community swimming pool
- Add a YMCA
- Add a High Desert nature center

## Infrastructure

- Ensure safe and efficient trails for non-motorized vehicles
- Add Horse trails, walking trails, bike trails
- Use dedicated easements for trails (electricity and drainage)
- Designate more off highway vehicle (OHV) trails
- Add more paved arterial roadways
- Stop at Johnson Road and Duncan
- Pave Duncan from VV to Phelan
- Add a stop sign at Phelan Elementary and crosswalk on Phelan Road
- Curbs, gutters, paved and maintained roads

- Sidewalks from residential area into town
- No money into road funds because no one can build
- Lack of access



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