

EUGENE CITY COUNCIL

AGENDA ITEM SUMMARY



Work Session: River Road/Santa Clara Outreach Update

Meeting Date: December 12, 2013
Department: Library, Recreation and Cultural Services
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ISSUE STATEMENT

This work session provides an opportunity for staff and Santa Clara-River Road Implementation and Planning (SCRRIPT) team members to give an update to the City Council regarding outreach and next steps in the development of a Plan of Action for inviting River Road and Santa Clara residents living within the City's Urban Growth Boundary (UGB) to annex into the city.

BACKGROUND

As discussed at the May 8, 2013, City Council Work Session, the River Road and Santa Clara community organizations have done extensive work together to move forward in addressing issues such as transportation, land use, parks, governance, and efficient and effective delivery of services. The product of this report, the Santa Clara ~River Road Outreach and Learning Project Report & Recommendations was discussed at the work session. The report can be reviewed here: <http://www.eugene-or.gov/DocumentCenter/View/9176>.

In addition to hearing from representatives of the SCRROL process at the May work session, staff provided background information on actions identified in Envision Eugene to develop an Area Plan for the River Road and Santa Clara neighborhoods. The Area Plan will address impacts of increasing urbanization, build on and implement the previous work done in the neighborhoods, and coordinate with work being done on service provision and special district issues.

Since the council work session, staff has been working closely with representatives of the SCRRIPT group to move forward in the development of a plan of action, including a comprehensive community engagement process and financial analysis for council's consideration. Multiple listening sessions have occurred, with over 30 residents in the River Road/Santa Clara area, as well as a half-day work session with the full SCRRIPT committee, the City Manager and staff, as well as the Mayor and City Councilors Mike Clark and Claire Syrett.

At its December 11 work session, the council will receive an update from staff on the outreach and financial analysis work to date, and will have an opportunity to hear from residents and participating council members on the outreach efforts and proposed next steps.

RELATED CITY POLICIES

Envision Eugene Pillar: Protect, Repair and Enhance Neighborhood Livability.

Strategy 4. Create neighborhood plans to address unique situations and impacts in different neighborhoods.

b. Complete area planning for the River Road and Santa Clara neighborhoods to address impacts of increasing urbanization. Base future planning efforts on previous work done under the River Road/Santa Clara Transition Project and Final Report, June 2006, and the Santa Clara-River Road Outreach and Learning (SCRROL) project, 2012. Begin this planning process immediately following local adoption of Envision Eugene.

Metro Plan

The City has no adopted strategy or plan for annexation of properties in the River Road/Clara area beyond the policies in the Metro Plan. The River Road Santa Clara Urban Facilities Plan is the refinement plan applicable to this area.

Effective, Accountable, Municipal Government.

A government that works openly, collaboratively and fairly with the community to achieve measureable and positive outcomes and provide effective, efficient services.

Fair, Stable and Adequate Financial Resources

A government whose ongoing financial resources are based on a fair and equitable system of revenues and are adequate to maintain and deliver municipal services.

COUNCIL OPTIONS

The work session is an opportunity to provide information and for the council to provide feedback. No formal action is requested at this time.

CITY MANAGER'S RECOMMENDATION

The City Manager will use the feedback for continued development of a plan of action.

SUGGESTED MOTION

No action is required at this time. Therefore, no motions are suggested.

ATTACHMENTS

- A. River Road/Santa Clara Map
- B. River Road/Santa Clara Annexation History Map
- C. Consensus Associates Situation Statement, October 14, 2013
- D. November 23, 2013 Listening Session Index Card Compilation

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