

REPORT TO GENERAL PLAN 2040 STEERING COMMITTEE

Subject: Wrap-up of Bus Tour

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

A Steering Committee bus tour featuring San Rafael neighborhoods, business districts, natural features, and points of interest was conducted on June 13, 2018. This agenda item is as an opportunity for Committee members to “debrief” on what they heard and saw.

REPORT

Members of the General Plan 2040 Steering Committee participated in a bus tour on June 13, 2018. There were 17 members and seven alternates present. An additional three Committee members participated in a “make up” tour on June 23.

The tour route and narrative were intended to highlight General Plan-related topics, including growth, transportation, housing conditions, community services, open space management, and natural hazards. Committee members were given Workbooks highlighting the tour route and places of interest. The Workbook asked Committee members to note their “thoughts and observations” along the route.

The format of the bus tour did not lend itself to a robust discussion among all Committee members in a single space. Thus we have set aside time on the July 11 agenda to debrief on what Committee members heard and saw. Members will be encouraged to offer their impressions and ideas about the specific sites visited, as well as the issues highlighted on the tour.

To recap, the sites visited were:

- Andersen Drive/ Woodland Avenue Corridor
- East San Rafael Business District (Francisco Boulevard, Shoreline Center, Canalways)
- Canal neighborhood and Albert J. Boro Community Center
- Montecito Shopping Center area
- Pt. San Pedro Road area/ San Pedro Peninsula
- Dominican University area
- Marin County Civic Center/SMART station
- Northgate Mall and “Town Center”
- Terra Linda/ Santa Margarita/ Los Gamos
- Smith Ranch/ Northgate Business Park
- Los Ranchitos/ Lincoln Hill
- Downtown San Rafael