Citizens Advisory Committee (CAC)

Notes Aug 23, 2023, Meeting

Committee Members in Attendance:

Robert Chavez Sarah Cobb Ray Cvetic Hank Kelly George Radnovich, Trustee Gilbert Benavides, Trustee Ann Simon, Village Administrator

Other Attendees: Sandra Gaiser, Consultant, by Zoom JT Michelson, P&Z Commission Chair Donald Bradley Kay Beason

Notes:

- Reports on meetings with outside experts. None held. Ann and Robert will keep trying to meet with Matt Meyers on the legality of a mandatory set-aside.
- Discussion of where the group is. Robert surveyed the group to see who would be in favor of a full repeal. Some felt it would buy us time. All felt the time was upon us to make some suggested changes but at an impasse on whether to make this a mandatory of non-mandatory/incentives for land conservation. Don't let perfect be the enemy of good.
- Group discussed how to achieve a goal of increased housing options.
- Discussion of Density Table
 - Sandy modified the density table based on input: She lowered the As and increased the Rs.
 - Density ratios introduced with the group discussed capping density at 1.4-1.5% density.
 - Group discussed danger of developers gaming the system by combining lots.
- Group discussed looking at other ways to incentivize conservation such as a sales tax rebate or GRT abatement if owner agrees to keep a percentage in open space.
- Public commented that cash incentives work
- Group asked for a new table starting with 20% mandatory.
- Robert agreed to present to the BOT a report on where we are.

Next Meeting: Wednesday September 6 , 9:00-10:30 a.m.

Village Hall, 6718 Rio Grande Blvd., NW, Los Ranchos, NM 87107