IMPLEMENTATION COMMITTEE

MINUTES FROM MEETING HELD ON March 27, 2008 5:30 P.M.

Name	Meeting Date	Confirmed	In Attendance
Chris Mariscotti			
Christina Gomez			X
Vidal Diaz			
Cynthia Ortegon			
Dave Merchen			X
Dave Randall			X
David Hernandez			
David Tooley			
Debi Bray			X
James Glynn			
Jerry Noblett			
Kathi Stokes			
Larry Risinger			
Linda Lewis			
Linda Lewis Wright			
Lois Grow			
Marilyn Marsh			X
Mary Anne Seay			X
Michael McHatten			X
Mike Kime			
Mike Westley			
Pam Beecher			
Rae Gomes			X
Robert Poythress			X
Rosanne Bonilla			X
Shirley Driggs			
Trish Taylor			
Wendy Silva			X
Will Oliver			X

Robert Poythress called the meeting to order at 5:30 p.m.

Robert had a conversation with Rochelle Noblett regarding downtown. A lot of interest in activity is being shown -

- Courthouse, "E" Street, RDA acquisition, blighted conditions
- hear everything about smart growth

- implementation committee
- 25 30% thru the general plan process
- Redevelopment at a crossroads Jim and David Tooley are discussing a specific plan for the downtown area.
- Suggested to Rochelle to speak with Implementation Committee thinking about field trip to Santana Row in San Jose looking at possibilities and principles and have someone that was involved in that redevelopment give a tour include business and property owners.
- Committee would be interested
- Rosanne asked about hiring a consultant
- David Randall design charette 3- 5 days.
- Debi Bray is to advise the Downtown Association to develop a plan or the City/Vision will increase fees to pay for a consultant to accomplish this project.
- Dave Merchen has gotten part of the RFQ for a downtown consultant prepared.
- Debi Bray have to show cost/benefit to property owners
- Christina Gomez Vidal Diaz opportunity to bring conversations between east/west, racial socio-economic
- Rosanne Bonilla Downtown could also look like old San Diego, etc. cultural center

Well Planned City - Dave Randall - doing good - General Plan Update continuing - next Monday begin Land Use - website continues to be updated - 110 people on distribution list - Debi of the Chamber volunteered to include link in electronic newsletter.

Derek – MCTC – Workshop on 4/8/08 at 5:30 @ the Madera Municipal Golf Course – Alternative Scenarios for Land Use and Transportation to 2050. Web site is maderactc.org.

Good Jobs and Economic Opportunity – No representative available – Dave Randall mentioned the new bakery coming into town.

Strong Community and Great Schools – Mary Anne Seay had a meeting – poorly attended – chair person suggested picking specific strategies for each meeting. Parks Master Plan under way – should have product to review mid/late summer – new tot lots scheduled to open soon, community garden ribbon cutting 4/19/08, youth center moving forward, formed local sports commission, planning 4th of July event.

A Safe & Healthy Environment – Christina spoke of walk audits – tonight at 10 p.m. documentary PBS on Place & Health "Unnatural Causes".

Marylin Marsh handed out fliers – Community Garden, Adventures in Nutrition, Slow Food.

Christina talked more about walkability – working with schools.

Rae spoke about a fresh food cart downtown.

Dave Randall – Fresh & Easy – grocer wants to locate at Howard & Pine where Monty's is.

Michael McHatten – There are still a large number of orphan items, discuss at next meeting and determine who is appropriate partner.

How can we get more people at the committee meetings?

Council Chamber Art – Wednesday, April 2, 2008 – Meet at City Hall and have lunch brought in – request for light option – fruit.

Public Relations Meeting at 1 p.m. on April 2, 2008.

Next meeting to be held on April 24, 2008 at 5:30 in the Conference Room at City Hall.