January 22, 2019

Roll Call:

Members Present
Albert Delgado
Dave Flatt
David Gomez (arrived at 9:44 a.m.)
Angela Haldeman
Justin Hepworth
Diane Kinsel
Mallory Levins (arrived at 9:53 a.m.)
Shari Lyman
Mike Malone
Becky Nielson (arrived at 9:34 a.m.)
Matthew Tramp
Rachel Wren (via telephone conference)
Tracy Murphy, Coordinator IV
Steve Burda, GIS Coordinator III
Sheri Garbiso, Senior GIS Analyst
Ray Negrete, Transportation Coordinator IV

Members Absent
Lois Mack

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ADOPTION OF AGENDA
Adoption of the agenda for January 22, 2019.
Motion: Dave Flatt Second: Shari Lyman Vote: Unanimous
David Gomez, Mallory Levins, Lois Mack, and Becky Nielson were not present to vote.

PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD
None.

APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES
Approval of the minutes for November 27 and December 4, 2018.
Motion: Shari Lyman Second: Dave Flatt Vote: Unanimous
David Gomez, Mallory Levins, and Lois Mack were not present to vote.
REPORTS
None.

REVIEW OF PUBLIC INPUT TO ESTABLISH AN ATTENDANCE BOUNDARY FOR THE NEW ELEMENTARY SCHOOL AT HOLLYWOOD BOULEVARD AND VEGAS VALLEY DRIVE, OPENING 2019. (EARL N. JENKINS ELEMENTARY SCHOOL)
Albert Delgado stated intent to develop recommendations with consideration of public input for the new elementary school at Hollywood Boulevard and Vegas Valley Drive (Earl N. Jenkins Elementary School), Sister Robert Joseph Bailey, Cynthia Cunningham, Mervin R. Iverson, Hal Smith, J. M. Ullom, and Whitney Elementary Schools

Tracy Murphy stated the Public Input Meeting for this area, Focus Area E2, was held January 15, 2019, at Chaparral High School. Ms. Murphy stated input was provided by six speakers: two administrators from Ullom Elementary School opposed Proposal 3, one parent from Hal Smith Elementary School opposed moving students from east of the Las Vegas Wash, and one administrator and two parents from Whitney Elementary School supported Proposal 3; one comment card was received from a parent from Mervin R. Iverson Elementary School regarding two siblings, one with special needs, being allowed to attend the same school.

Diane Kinsel stated, after considering the public comments, the best situation for all involved schools is Proposal 1; the proposed addition to the Ullom Elementary School boundary would create traffic problems.

Ray Negrete stated transportation would be provided to students crossing Boulder Highway.

Diane Kinsel stated the stability provided by the school is important to many students in this area; moving the fewest necessary is preferable.

Angela Haldeman stated the administrators from Ullom Elementary School want time to settle into their new building before increasing their population. Ms. Haldeman favors Proposal 3 because students at Whitney Elementary School will be allowed to stay under Title I HOPE guidelines giving Ullom Elementary School the time to settle into their new building; the best means of providing relief is Proposal 3.

Justin Hepworth stated the following concerns: Proposal 1 provides no relief to Bailey Elementary School and leaves the new school at Hollywood Boulevard and Vegas Valley Drive (Jenkins Elementary School) considerably under capacity; Proposal 3 has the same issues plus moving students from Whitney Elementary School to Ullom Elementary School. Mr. Hepworth asked if he is correct understanding that the homeless population is fairly evenly distributed in the area, which would add to the situation at Ullom Elementary School if Proposal 3 is adopted. Mr. Hepworth stated Proposal 2 may need tweaking, but it gives stability to Whitney Elementary School, reduces Bailey Elementary School, puts Hollywood Boulevard and Vegas Valley Drive (Jenkins Elementary School) at capacity, and all of the other schools in the area are at or under capacity.

Diane Kinsel stated she can agree with Mr. Hepworth’s statement: it works.
Angela Haldeman stated she had leaned toward Proposal 2 until hearing public input, which made her think favorably about Proposal 3. Ms. Haldeman has concerns that, while it does offer relief, Proposal 2 will take away some of the more stable housing from Whitney Elementary School.

Ray Negrete stated the area in Proposal 2 suggested to move from Hal Smith Elementary School to the new school at Hollywood Boulevard and Vegas Valley Drive (Jenkins Elementary School) has a much larger geographical number of students than actually attend the school (an average of 14 students since 2016) with the remainder attending magnet schools. Mr. Negrete stated it is the recommendation of Transportation that they not be rezoned and continue to walk to Hal Smith Elementary School.

Justin Hepworth stated eliminating that area from Hal Smith Elementary School will throw off the balance of relief; a new school might entice parents to leave their students at their zoned school instead of sending them to magnet programs.

There was discussion about possible changes to Proposal 2.

A motion was made to move Focus Area E2, Proposal 2, leaving the area south of Desert Inn Road, west of the Whitney Township Boundary, north of Kemper Lakes Street and Golden Leaf Avenue, and east of Cabana Drive unchanged, to Recommendation.

Motion: Angela Haldeman  Second: Shari Lyman  Motion Passed
11 Yes  0 No  1 Abstention

Lois Mack was not present to vote.

REVIEW OF PUBLIC INPUT TO ADJUST THE ATTENDANCE BOUNDARIES FOR MIDDLE/JUNIOR HIGH SCHOOLS AND TO EVALUATE ELEMENTARY TO MIDDLE/JUNIOR HIGH SCHOOL FEEDER SCHOOL ALIGNMENT.

Albert Delgado stated intent to develop recommendations with consideration of public input for Francis H. Cortney Junior High School, Kathleen and Tim Harney, Duane D. Keller, Jerome D. Mack, and C. W. Woodbury Middle Schools.

Tracy Murphy stated the Public Input Meeting for this area, Focus Area M2, was held January 15, 2019, at Chaparral High School; there were no speakers for this agenda item and no comment cards were submitted.

Rachel Wren asked how the elementary school recommendation just moved forward will affect the middle school proposal.

David Gomez stated he just wanted to acknowledge that AZAC’s director, Director Baldwin, is in the room so that the AZAC commission he is watching, he is paying attention to everything that’s going on.

Justin Hepworth asked if an area proposed to move from Harney Middle School to Keller Middle School would be out of alignment due to the elementary recommendation.

Becky Nielson suggested not moving forward with this proposal due to small areas that will be out of alignment, but revisit it next year.
Angela Haldeman agreed that it would be advisable to wait.

Diane Kinsel agreed that it would be better handled in the future.

David Gomez agreed with Becky as well, seeing that Becky’s seniority has been with the experience of what she’s seen and what might be proposed in the later future; she knows exactly what is going to be proposed; not exactly what’s going to be proposed, but she knows that something is always going to show up and she knows that, you know, these little pockets could cause an effect.

Tracy Murphy provided data on proposed changes and feeder school alignment.

Albert Delgado asked if there are areas out of alignment based upon the elementary school recommendation moving forward.

Tracy Murphy stated there are and provided data; three schools would be brought into alignment, one would not be aligned.

Diane Kinsel stated they have to work with what they have, and this proposal is pretty close.

A motion was made to move Focus Area M2, Proposal 1, to Recommendation, with phasing.

Motion: Diane Kinsel  Second: Angela Haldeman  Motion Passed
10 Yes  2 No
Lois Mack was not present to vote.

REVIEW OF PUBLIC INPUT TO ADJUST THE ATTENDANCE BOUNDARIES FOR ELEMENTARY, MIDDLE, AND HIGH SCHOOLS.
Albert Delgado stated intent to develop recommendations with consideration of public input for James H. Bilbray, Indian Springs, and William and Mary Scherkenbach Elementary schools; Ralph L. Cadwallader and Indian Springs Middle Schools; and Arbor View and Indian Springs High Schools.

Tracy Murphy stated the Public Input Meeting for this area, Focus Area C1, was held January 16, 2019, at Spring Valley High School; there were no speakers for this agenda item and no comment cards were submitted.

A motion was made to move Focus Area C1, Proposal 1 for Elementary, Middle and High School, to Recommendations.

Motion: Matthew Tramp  Second: Rachel Wren  Vote: Unanimous
Lois Mack was not present to vote.

REVIEW OF PUBLIC INPUT TO ESTABLISH AN ATTENDANCE BOUNDARY FOR THE NEW ELEMENTARY SCHOOL AT CONQUISTADOR STREET AND TOMPKINS AVENUE, OPENING 2019. (SANDRA B. ABSTON ELEMENTARY SCHOOL)
Albert Delgado stated intent to develop recommendations with consideration of public input for the new elementary school at Conquistador Street and Tompkins Avenue (Sandra B. Abston Elementary School), Kathy L. Batterman, Patricia A. Bendorf, Roger M. Bryan, Marion B. Earl, Judy and John L. Goolsby, Keith C. and Karen W. Hayes, Frank Kim, D’Vorre and Hal Ober, and Lucille S. Rogers Elementary Schools.

Tracy Murphy stated the Public Input Meeting for this area was held on January 16, 2019, at Spring Valley High School. Ms. Murphy stated public input was received from 14 speakers: one parent from Batterman Elementary School opposed Proposal 2, one parent from Roger M. Bryan Elementary School favored Proposal 1, one parent from Roger M. Bryan Elementary School opposed Proposal 2, eleven parents from Goolsby Elementary School opposed Proposal 1. Ms. Murphy stated one handout was provided by a parent regarding pedestrian safety and opposing moving students residing in the Gardens area from Goolsby Elementary School to Hayes Elementary School. Ms. Murphy stated 11 comment cards were received: one from Roger M. Bryan Elementary School asking to keep their student there for fifth grade, nine from Goolsby Elementary School, seven saying no to Proposal 1, one requesting students living near the new elementary school at Conquistador Street and Tompkins Avenue (Sandra B. Abston Elementary School) be allowed to attend there, one parent from Goolsby Elementary School requested their enrollment not be reduced below 700 students.

Albert Delgado asked for possible transportation changes related to proposed boundary changes.

Ray Negrete provided information on bussing changes.

Albert Delgado passed the chair to Becky Nielson at 10:36 a.m.

Justin Hepworth asked for updated student geographic numbers for the proposed boundary changes.

Tracy Murphy provided the data requested.

Becky Nielson called recess at 10:47 a.m.

Becky Nielson called the meeting to order at 11:05 a.m.

Tracy Murphy provided student geographic data for the proposed changes.

Justin Hepworth asked if there is growth in the Batterman Elementary School zone.

Sheri Garbiso stated there will be some growth in the far southeast area, yielding 40 students.

A motion was made to move Focus Area E1, Proposal 2, assigning the area south of Hacienda Avenue, west of CC 215, north of Oquendo Road, east of Fort Apache Road to the new elementary school at Conquistador Street and Tompkins Avenue (Sandra B. Abston Elementary School) and assigning the area south of Hacienda Avenue, west of Tenaya Way, north of Russell Road, east of Buffalo Drive to Rogers Elementary School and assigning the area south of Sahara Avenue, west of Town Center Drive, north of
Havenwood Lane, east of Spotted Leaf Lane, east of Pavilion Center Drive, to Goolsby Elementary School. 

Recommendation. 
Motion: Albert Delgado Second: Shari Lyman Vote: Unanimous 

Lois Mack was not present to vote. 

Albert Delgado resumed the chair at 11:10 a.m. 

**REVIEW OF PUBLIC INPUT TO ADJUST THE ATTENDANCE BOUNDARIES FOR MIDDLE/JUNIOR HIGH SCHOOLS AND TO EVALUATE ELEMENTARY TO MIDDLE/JUNIOR HIGH SCHOOL FEEDER SCHOOL ALIGNMENT.** 

Albert Delgado stated intent to develop recommendations with consideration of public input for Clifford J. Lawrence Junior High School, Kenny C. Guinn, and Grant Sawyer Middle Schools. 

Tracy Murphy stated the Public Input Meeting for this area was held on January 16, 2019, at Spring Valley High School. Ms. Murphy stated there were no speakers nor were there any comment cards for this agenda item. Ms. Murphy stated Area A provides 100% feeder school alignment for Frank Kim Elementary School, Area B provides 100% feeder school alignment for Joseph E. Thiriot Elementary School, and Area C provides 100% feeder school alignment for Harvey N. Dondero Elementary School. 

David Gomez stated Acting Director Ms. Murphy he’s trying to figure something out; when we talk about some of these areas that have no comment cards and no public comment, why is it that when my kid is about to do a test this week throughout the whole school of Rancho High School I get all the calls in the world telling me that he’s about to do a test and it will not stop in the middle of the night, is there some type of way that you guys can send out a robo-call to all the parents in this area letting them know there is something that’s about to happen with zoning changes or transportation might change, something in that aspect, because as long as I’ve been doing this I’ve never heard a robo-call from Demographics and Zoning saying that your area has been picked in Lawrence, Guinn, and Sawyer, that could possibly affect your zoning areas with your children. Mr. Gomez stated so because we have no public comment, did the school district or did the appropriate person do their due diligence to make sure that the parents in this area know because I do know that when Charles I. West Prep had their zoning a long time ago there was no call, it was just the principal saying, “Oh yeah, we’re going to have some zoning changes,” that was it. Mr. Gomez asked is it the principal’s due diligence to reach out to these parents or is it the due diligence of Demographics and Zoning to reach out to these parents with a robo-call? Mr. Gomez stated he doesn’t think it would take too much of an effort except to record and then send it out. Mr. Gomez asked if there is something that can be done to make sure that the public is aware of these changes? 

Tracy Murphy stated this has been discussed, most recently in Mr. Delgado’s report to the Board of School Trustees. Ms. Murphy stated the information was provided to the principals of the schools involved, with the request that it be disseminated to the parents, community, and their staff through Parent Link. Ms. Murphy stated, due to concerns that some parents have not been aware of potential changes to their school boundaries, there is currently discussion about the notifications going out directly from Demographics and Zoning via Parent Link. 

David Gomez stated thank you, Acting Director Ms. Murphy; he looks at it this way: just because you’re running in place it doesn’t mean that you’re progressing in any kind of way, so if we’re not trying to reach
these parents just because we stand in one place and run does never, ever, ever mean that we are going to progress in this matter, so maybe there should be some real pushing of the matter of this because parents do have a right to know and they are shareholders and they are the reason why about all this, the reason why staff is here at all times, because of their children and the number of children that attend the schools.

A motion was made to move Focus Area M1, Proposal 1 to Recommendation.
Motion: Becky Nielson  Second: David Gomez  Vote: Unanimous
Lois Mack was not present to vote.

CALENDAR, DATES, AND TIMES
The next meeting will be the special joint meeting with the Board of School Trustees on February 25, 2019 at 5:30 p.m.

PUBLIC COMMENT
None.

ADJOURNMENT
Meeting adjourned at 11:20 a.m.
Motion: Becky Nielson  Second: Shari Lyman  Vote: Unanimous
Lois Mack was not present to vote.