

CU South Process Subcommittee

Meeting Notes

Friday, February 27, 2020

3:30 to 4:30 p.m.

Municipal Building Room W-100 (1777 Broadway)

Facilitator: Jean Gatza **Note-taker:** Joanna Bloom

South Boulder Creek Flood Mitigation / CU South Annexation Initial Engagement Approach (Q1-Q2, 2020)

Last Updated: 4/10/2020

ENGAGEMENT

March/April Public Information Road Shows

City Staff will present one in March and two in April (*Proposed: Frasier Meadows, South Boulder Action Group and Save South Boulder*)

Flood Design:

Inform the community where we've been, what's on the table, what's not on the table.

- Clearly indicate why the 200 & 500 year flood options didn't move forward and explain the US36 bridge constraint
- Explain what 100-year protection does in the case of a 500-year flood event
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Consult on levee, funding implications and environmental impacts.

Annexation

Inform the public that the process will be focusing on CU South annexation process

- Anticipated negotiation points with CU Boulder
- Annexation process starting now instead of summer – what that will look like
- Staff to put definitions to the terms that may not already be defined (American Planning Association)
- There are no land use changes anticipated at this point.

Consult What is going to be important to you in the annexation conversations (fields, roads, etc.)?

1. How do we know what we're going to get?

2. How are we going to translate Guiding Principles to annexation terms? Guiding Principles: what's the next level of specificity we can expect?
3. What are the staff plans, and what can be reviewed by Council?

Staff will also host a table at What's Up Boulder

City Boards

Open Space Board of Trustees (March 30, 2020)

- Staff response to 2019 OSBT 2019 feedback
- Refine recommendations considering flood wall and levee implications
- Flood wall line – does that impact input?
- If there are questions that Council may want staff support on, get those out on Hotline

***Also see OSBT comments and staff response in public comment section below*

Water Resources Advisory Board (March 16, 2020)

- Funding
- Share what we heard at the Feb 25 meeting and see if there are any red flags
- Levee
- Flood wall line – does that impact input?

Planning Board (April 16, 2020)

- Status update
- Feedback on the question of how to turn the Guiding Principles into the annexation terms.

May 19, 2020 City Council meeting (memo due May 6)

Purpose of the May meeting

1. Feedback on any updates from OSBT and WRAB on funding and/or updates on past recommendations?
2. Provide updates as a staff team on the flood design
3. Detailed schedule of flood design and annexation
4. Annexation update
5. Finalizing the role of the levee (in conjunction with OSBT and WRAB feedback). Question City Council will have is if the levee comes down:
 - Cost impacts
 - Environmental concerns and implications -- staff elaborate on what that means
 - Tradeoffs
 - Flood behavior – are there benefit to removing the levee?
 - Other?

Next Process Subcommittee Meeting (March 13, 2020)

- Confirm the road show schedule and review draft materials
- Revisit if the project needs to go to Planning Board
- Revisit process in terms of what makes sense in May.
- Future process subcommittee: Staff will further develop a combined annexation and flood design schedule, including project milestones and proposed engagement points for discussion

PUBLIC COMMENT:

Gordan McCurry – 1) Jim Robertson was going to look at Area III schedule. *Second Quarter of 2021.* 2) *CDOT question? Expedite conversations with CDOT*

Margaret LeCompte – another open house? What will the road show be so she can share information? Will the public participation be limited to the end of a comment sheet? What will happen to the paragraphs when they are handed in. Will OSBT questions be answered before May 19? These overlap with Save South Boulder concerns

Frances Draper – Where in the process would you like to update Council members?

Participant - Share the concern about the level of public engagement. Public should be engaged and invited to provide input

****OSBT still needs direction and input:** March 30 meeting, please provide:

1. Further analysis on upstream options;
2. Environmental impacts (T&E, wetlands, etc); and
3. Groundwater flood – impacts from the floodwall.

Response: At the March meeting, Utilities staff will be able to provide more information and analysis with the OSBT. A question from staff would be, what information do you need before you would consider a disposal?

Ben Binder

Two competing objectives – CU development versus flood design. Surprised at change in direction from 500 year to 100 year. Send bridge design.

On Annexation – no outreach to Martin Acres, Majestic Heights, Frasier Meadows and Tantra. There needs to be outreach.

Participant – No Council member or staff member addressed how many extra people are in danger? The road show, staff will illustrate

Mike Duffy – attend the road show and will be involved. See the cost benefit analysis of leaving or removing the levee. Groundwater modeling information – present on the road show