

SOUTH TOWN VISIONING SESSION: COMMUNITY RECOMMENDATIONS

→ General

- ◆ Invest in South Town to Foster a more Pedestrian-Friendly Environment

→ Land-Use Development in South Town

- ◆ Boutique Hotel and/or Conference Venue
- ◆ Food/Bars
 - Increase Restaurant/Bar Presence by utilizing City's D5L's
- ◆ Entertainment
 - Entertainment Stage for Concerts/Events in South Town
 - Cindee's Place working on a collapsible stage
 - Events utilizing Entertainment
 - Event to Replace "Rally in the Alley"
- ◆ Arts
 - Artisan Spaces
 - Live/work studios
 - Potential partnership w/ "Planet Joy"
 - Ex: Metal Working, Glass-Blowing, Pottery, etc.
 - Create Arts Community
 - Involve Career Center & Local Schools
 - Public Art
- ◆ Recreation
 - Winter Activities
 - Sports Activities

→ Aesthetics & Streetscapes

- ◆ Extend Planters into South Town, specifically S. Court Street
- ◆ Include "South Town" "Welcome" or "Entrance" Signs
- ◆ Include Signs Identifying Historical Sites/Places
- ◆ Extend Green-space development
- ◆ Utilize Public Art

→ Events

- ◆ Create Signature Event for the South Town District
- ◆ Art Show in South Town

→ Parking

- ◆ Establish Shared Parking in District

→ Misc.

- ◆ Encourage Historical Walking Tours

→ Upcoming Projects

1. Initiate South Court Street Redevelopment
2. Trash Cleanup in South Town (May/June 2019)
3. Champion Creek Cleanup (June/July 2019)
 - a. When Water Levels are Low
 - b. Utilize Spokes Cafe as a Staging Area
 - c. Invite Boy Scouts, Girl Scouts, 4H, Junior Achievement, and Schools

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→ Comments

- ◆ “Younger families are coming into the area near South Town, and the district needs a more walkable, safer environment for families.” - Elaine Lamb
- ◆ R. J. Vernak expressed concern over traffic patterns in the South Town area, especially truck traffic and noise. Mr. Vernak also asked about the Quiet Zone for trains.
- ◆ Charles Marshall responded, indicating that the Quiet Zone proposal is underway, and requires several studies to determine the impact and cost of the Quiet Zone.
- ◆ “It would be great to see “Rally in the Alley” return to South Town. It was an event that really brought people together in the community.” - Eric Heffinger
- ◆ Kayleigh Keller from *Keller Meats* envisioned drawing inspiration from the “Short North” district of Columbus for South Town redevelopment.

Attendance:

→ Businesses

1. Charles Marshall - Farmers Exchange
2. Tom O’Connell - Habitat for Humanity
3. Angel Kiefer - Life’s Treasures
4. Bob Smith - Life’s Treasures
5. Adrian Medina - Emi’s Taqueria
6. Cynthia Kason - Cindee’s Place
7. Chris Lang - Getgo
8. Kevin Rych - Huntington Bank
9. Coleen Morlock - VCS Salon
10. Lucy Mahoney - VCS Salon
11. Kayleigh Keller - Keller Meats/Farmers Exchange
12. David Clardy - Spokes Cafe
13. Sandy Rusinko - Busy Bee
14. R. J. Vernak - Vernak Refrigeration
15. Steve Harold - Harold Family Automotive
16. Jon Stahl - P.J. Marley’s/Farmers Exchange
17. Patty Stahl - P.J. Marley’s/Farmers Exchange

→ Main Street Medina

1. Matt Wiederhold
2. George Sam

3. Joe Zahn

4. Robert Henwood

→ City of Medina

1. Eric Heffinger - City Councilman
2. Kimberly Marshall - Director of Economic Development
3. Barbara Dzur - Economic Development & Marketing Manager
4. Jonathan Mendel - Director of Community Development

→ South Court Neighborhood & Residents

1. Elaine Lamb
2. Michele Nichols
3. Nancy Matthey
4. Barbara Kauffman
5. Tom Lempner
6. Rick Kirby

→ Other Attendees

1. Robert Hyde - Beyond the Storefronts