LOWER LA RIVER IAG PUBLIC ADVISORY & COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT COMMITTEE MEETING

Tuesday, January 22nd, 2019 2 p.m. to 4 p.m.

EYCEJ Community Room 5117 Kinsie St., Commerce, CA 90040

Summary

<u>Objective</u>: To develop a standard for committee functions, address membership, and identify potential projects for committee review.

I. Introductions

II. Address Membership

The Committee discussed sending invites to LACBC, From Lot to Spot, and Hollydale Bike Group. There was a proposal to consolidate through joint meetings for Programs/Community Engagement temporarily or as needed until participation increases or needs differ.

III. Committee Standards

- a. Establish process for adding Committee members
- b. Develop technical contact list

How do folks see engagement?

- Activating Community Stability Toolkit
- Who is at the table and who can implement?

c. Posting of Committee materials

- Running checklist of all projects (have them come every so often to brief) with status identifiers (with comments from the meeting)
- Posted on lowerlariver.org
- Can also check calendar

IV. Discuss Project Review Process

a. Identifying potential project

- Flagged through the county (it can also come from committee members if they know of any)
- Levels of engagement depending on scale of the project

b. Approaches to support project proponents

How do folks see engagement?

- Activating Community Stability Toolkit
- Who is at the table and who can implement?

c. Developing project information packet/checklist

- Conversation starter, we are not tied to only this
- **ADD** Consideration: Letter of support or list of engagements (community).

V. Call for Potential Projects

VI. Open Forum/Public Comment

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Project Information Packet

| Project Name: | |
|-----------------------|--------|
| Project Location: | |
| Project Proponent: | |
| Mailing Address: | |
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| Contact Person: | Email: |
| Telephone Number: | |
| Location Info/Address | |
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Project Description

The purpose of this document is to aid in the discussion and development of project review criteria. The proposed topics are suggestions and may be changed, removed, or added to. Each Committee is to review and shape the criteria to fit the goals of their Committee.

When reviewing this discussion document, please consider:

What should this document contain? Is it touching on all themes pertinent to the Committees and the Lower Los Angeles River?

Project Information Example Discussion

The intent of the project packet is to help proposed project remain consistent with the Lower Los Angeles River Revitalization Plan and identify areas of potential need where the committees can be a resource to aid in finding funding, project partners, innovation, etc.

General

 Discuss how the project is consistent with the Lower Los Angeles River Revitalization Plan.

Public Realm, Environment, Water, & Infrastructure

Multi-benefit Opportunities

Themes: Flood control, public use, ecosystem promotion, improved water quality

Discuss how the project expands existing or creates new multi-benefit opportunities.

Water

Themes: Water supply, water quality

- Describe how the project will improve the overall water quality of the Los Angeles River.
- Describe how the project will implement stormwater capture, water conservation practices, and/or other methodologies.

Environment

Themes: Climate change, air quality, water quality

- Discuss what environmental documentation (CEQA, NEPA, etc.) will be required or has been completed for the project.
- Describe any activities associated with the project that will potentially impact the environment such as trash, pet waste, or chemicals.
- Discuss how the project will reduce or mitigate GHG emissions, improve air quality, and/or improve water quality.

Habitat & Ecosystem

Themes: Native plants, native species

- Discuss how the project creates habitat or improves ecosystem health within the watershed.
- List the native Los Angeles River riparian/wetland vegetation planned for the project.

Infrastructure

Themes: Flood control, public use, recreation, transportation

• Describe how the project will modify the existing infrastructure such as flood control channels, open space, and transportation corridors.

Programs & Policies

Funding Opportunities

Themes: Grants, cost estimate, partnerships

- Discuss the potential funding the project proponent is seeking for the project.
- Discuss any funding gaps identified in the project.
- Describe any project partnerships that have been identified.

Policy

Themes: Policy hurdles

- Discuss what environmental documentation (CEQA, NEPA, etc.) will be required or has been completed for the project.
- Describe how safety and security will be addressed within the project limits.
- Discuss any existing plans/policies (federal, state, local) in which the project identified or supported.

Equity Issues

Themes: Displacement, environmental justice, social justice, local workforce

- Discuss who is the project intended to serve (e.g., residents, youth, pedestrians, cyclists, artists, bird watchers) and how it will serve them.
- Discuss how the project addresses the concerns of equity, displacement, and environmental justice.

Public Advisory & Community Engagement

Community Engagement & Outreach

Themes: Affected communities

- Discuss who is the project intended to serve (e.g., residents, youth, pedestrians, cyclists, artists, bird watchers) and how it will serve them.
- Discuss how the project addresses the concerns of equity, displacement, and environmental justice.

Community Forum

Themes: Contribution from community members

- Describe how the project has been engaging the community in its development process.
- Discuss any future plans for community engagement.
- Describe the overall feedback that the project has received.



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