



ENVISION CONTRA COSTA 2040

Vine Hill and Mountain View Community Meeting: Issues, Vision, and Draft Community Profile

Online
Tuesday, May 17, 2022

A virtual community meeting for Vine Hill and Mountain View residents as part of Envision Contra Costa 2040 took place on Tuesday, May 17, 2022, from 6:00 to 7:30 PM on zoom.us. The purpose of this workshop was to establish a vision for the future of this community, identify issues the General Plan should address to achieve that vision, and collect feedback on the draft community profile for Vine Hill and Mountain View, as well as potential changes to the General Plan land use map. The first part of the draft profile provides context about the community, including its character, demographic information, and exposure to hazards that may impact the community. The second section includes an overview of planned land uses, guiding principles, policies, and actions that will provide guidance to the County when making decisions affecting the community related to growth and development over the next 20 years.

After a presentation about the Envision Contra Costa 2040 process, community members discussed questions regarding the future of Vine Hill and Mountain View. Participants also reviewed the draft community profile and draft General Plan land use map with County staff and consultants. Responses to each question are summarized below. Detailed notes from the group discussion are attached to this summary.

Question 1: What do you like most about your community? What would you like to see supported, preserved, or enhanced as part of this planning effort?

- Support for wetland and natural resource restoration efforts on Mountain View Sanitary District and East Bay Regional Park District lands.
- Desire to support local wildlife, such as birds and fish.
- Appreciation for open space areas.

Question 2: What are the challenges facing your community? What would you like to see changed to make it a better place to live and work?

- Improve road and sidewalk maintenance.
- Provide more sidewalks and pedestrian connections.
- Provide a secondary roadway access to and from Vine Hill.
- Install traffic calming to address speeding and cyclist safety on Pacheco Boulevard.
- Improve road drainage through stormwater gutters.
- Provide more frequent curbside waste pickup in the area (i.e., for recycling and yard waste).
- Address Illegal dumping.
- Improve air quality and address seismic hazards, especially due to communities' proximity to the refinery.
- Improve access to public transportation to reduce pollution.

Question 3: Do you think there are changes needed to the planned land uses shown in the draft General Plan land use map? If so, what changes are needed?

- Participants had no comments in response to this question.

Question 4: Do you have any feedback on the draft community profile as presented?

- Although participants feel distinct from Concord, some noted strong ties with Martinez (e.g., Martinez postal addresses, travel to Martinez for services, located within the Sphere of Influence for Martinez), while others noted that Vine Hill and Mountain View are distinct from Martinez and have different services.
- The County can't "enhance" sidewalks if there are no sidewalks to begin with.

Q&A:

Question: Has the City of Martinez been involved at all?

Question: You mentioned meeting notes during your presentation. Where would we find those?

Group 1

QUESTION 1: Assets (15 minutes) What do you like most about your community? What would you like to see supported, preserved or enhanced as part of this planning effort?

Notes:

- Restorations at Mountain View Sanitary District/EBRPD area. Management plans for bringing in water to wetlands. Important to see focus on those restoration projects brought to forefront w/ more County support. Support birds & fish.
- Appreciate open space areas.
- Sentence re nature in PDF = good.



QUESTION 2: Challenges (15 minutes) What are the challenges facing your community? What would you like to see changed to make it a better place to live and work?

Notes:

- Roads need proper paving.
- Sidewalks too.
- Need better trash service in the area.
 - Only recycling and yard waste every other week. Need more frequent service.
- Illegal dumping is an issue here, too.
 - Agreement
- Need second roadway access to and from the Vine Hill area (convenience issue).



QUESTION 3: Map Changes (15 minutes) Do you think there are changes needed to the planned land uses shown in the draft General Plan land use map? If so, what changes are needed?

Notes:

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QUESTION 4: Overall Community Profile Feedback (10 minutes) Review the context portion of the draft community profile. Does the group have any other feedback on the context as presented?

Notes:

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Comments on Profile

- Context:
 - Need traffic calming on Pacheco Blvd - it's a racetrack. Especially an issue for bicyclists on Pacheco Blvd.
 - The community is definitely distinct from Concord, but quite tied in w/ Martinez. Homes have Martinez addresses and residents visit Martinez for services. The community is also within the SOI of Martinez and ultimately will likely become Martinez.
 - Agree and first paragraph sounds good.
 - Agree to a point: small town feel is something that feels distinct from city. Also different services here compared to City residents.
 - There are no sidewalks to enhance. We just need sidewalks.
 - Because no sidewalks, no road drainage, which creates another problem. Need gutters.
 - Another resident agreed with the text as written.
- Hazards:
 - We need to mention air quality; Air quality is an human health hazards and seismic hazards are very serious for these communities.
 - Another resident agreed with this comment.
 - In the lens of environmental justice, putting housing next to a refinery is a concern.
 - Public transportation: if residents had easier access to public transportation, it would help to improve air quality.
- Environmental Justice:
 - Impacted Community members may not have heard about this meeting/getting online.