

Outreach and Oversight Committee Community Meeting Project Updates – December 9, 2020

Project #1: Chinatown Housing Project

- This project broke ground in September 2020 and construction is underway. Construction will take approximately 18 months to complete and it is anticipated to be complete in the 1st quarter of 2022. Fresno Housing Authority is also in the middle of choosing a local artist to provide artwork on and around the new housing complex. Community engagement for the surrounding improvements in the form of lighting and landscape has begun and the design work is underway.

Project #2: EOC Partnership for Energy Savings and GHG Reductions in SW Fresno

- Fresno EOC has completed 34 homes where weatherization and education services were provided to reduce energy costs. There are an additional 9 homes pending completion. They have also installed 13 residential solar systems with 7 in the pipeline ready for installation. This project has been put on hold due to the pandemic. Additional weatherization and solar installations are planned for the next 6 months as soon as it is safe to resume program services.

Project #3: GRID Solar Collaborative Single-Family Partnership

- Since the start of this project, GRID has completed 16 single family solar installations with 8 additional homes in the pipeline for installation. GRID has also trained 60 individuals in Solar Installation. GRID hopes to complete 10 additional single family solar installations within the next 6 months and train an additional 15 people in solar installations. Unfortunately, due to the pandemic recruitment and volunteers for training has suffered.

Project #4: GRID Solar Collaborative Multi-Family Partnership

- GRID has installed 1 multi-family project with 2 additional ones now in the design phase. They hope to complete the next two complexes within the next 6 months.

Project #5: Southwest Fresno Trail

- Since this project began, the City of Fresno has completed all of the necessary CEQA documents and identified the list of potential property acquisition for the project. In the next six months, we will begin purchasing the property needed for the trail completing the readiness requirements. We also plan to choose a design consultant for the trail through a Statement of Qualifications process.

Project #6: Chinatown Urban Greening

- The City of Fresno has met all of the readiness requirements for this project. We have held one community engagement meeting to date and are planning more for the 1st of the year with our design team.

Project #7: Clean Shared Mobility Network

- The Clean Shared Mobility Network has met all readiness requirement associated with this project. Currently, the group is drafting guidelines, technical requirements and

processes for future community engagement to determine where vehicles and charging stations will be located. Installation of the first 5 charging stations has also begun.

- In the next 6 months, they will be acquiring electric vehicles and installing additional charging stations, implementing the bike sharing program and developing marketing and outreach plans.

Project #8: Annadale Mode Shift

- Self-Help Enterprises has prepped the site for construction, and finalized approved plans and permits. Construction will begin after the first of the year and a celebration event will be planned once restrictions on public gatherings are lifted.

Project #9: Mariposa Plaza

- Since the start of the project, the City of Fresno has hired and executed a consultant agreement for the design of Mariposa Plaza. A topographic survey, internal kickoff meeting and multiple stakeholder meetings were held. In November 2020, the first Community Meeting was held to gain community input on possible schematics and design features of the Plaza. The design team is currently working on the schematic and geometric drawings.

Project #11: Southwest Urban Forest Expansion – you heard about this earlier

- The City has met all of the readiness requirements associated with this project and has held 2 community planting events at Tupman and Chandler Parks planting 15 trees at each. An additional 150 trees have been planted along Jensen and Walnut and Jensen and Fruit. The remaining 115 trees will be planted early next year.

Project #12: Yosemite Village Permaculture Garden and Urban Farm Incubator

- The YoVille project has developed a Garden Leadership Team that is made up of 5 residents at the Yosemite Village apartment complex. This team is actively shaping the garden. Composting infrastructure and a storage container have been installed along with over 1,000 trees, bushes and plants are currently growing on the site. 22 residents have community garden plots and are growing food for their families. Applications for the farm incubator plots will be open soon along with community workshops and gardening classes. The team continues to conduct outreach to nearby residents and host weekly volunteer work days on Tuesdays and Thursdays from 2-5pm.

Project #13 Park @ MLK Magnet Core

- Readiness requirements have been met for this project and a design consultant was chosen through an SOQ process. We are working through negotiations of the contract currently and plan to bring this contract to City Council in early 2021. We are also working through a purchase and sale agreement of the Park property and once we have that completed along with the design contract we will begin community engagement to discuss design features of the park.

Project #14: Inside Out Community Garden

- A toolshed, ADA garden box, tools, benches and composters were purchased, delivered and installed at the Sunset Community Center site. Five fruit trees and many seedlings

for the garden were planted. Cooking demonstrations and community engagement are taking place via digital platforms and community food drives.

Project #15: Yosemite Village Community Orchard

- This project has been approved by the Strategic Growth Council and we are waiting for its incorporation into the Master Grant Agreement along with several other projects. This project will be planting 120 nut and stone fruit trees on the Yosemite Village Community Garden site.

Projects #16 and #17: SW Fresno Community Food Hub: Urban Heat Island Mitigation and Edible Food Rescue, Composting and Distribution Project

- This project is in the revision stages with SGC and we hope to have an approved project to incorporate into the Master Grant Agreement by the end of the year. The location of these projects will be on the St. Rest Baptist Church Campus providing a distribution site and commercial kitchen for the expansion of the Fresno Ministry Food to Share Program.

Project #18: Fresno City College: West Fresno Satellite Campus

- The groundbreaking for this campus was held in October 2020 and construction on the site has begun. SCCCD will continue their outreach efforts geared toward expanding the local workforce through partnerships with contractors and trade workers working on this project. Construction is slated to be completed in time for Spring 2023 Classes

Project #19: Chinatown PBID

- A consultant was hired for a feasibility study to determine the possibility of instituting a Chinatown Property Based Improvement District. Property owner meetings are planned for January 2021. The feasibility study should be done by March 2021. If recommendations are made to move forward, we will begin the public hearing and voting process for property owners in Chinatown.

Project #20: EOC Partnership for Energy Savings and GHG Reductions in SW Fresno: EFMP Plus-Up vehicle replacement and incentives

- 15 electric vehicles have been provided to households in the TCC projects area by Valley Clean Air Now. Additional vouchers will be provided in the next 6 months for electric vehicles.

Project #21 – TCC Connector

- There have been delays to construction for the electric buses charging station due to the pandemic. However, we will be increasing the frequency of Route 38 from Downtown Fresno to Jensen and Cedar from 30 minutes to 15 minutes starting January 4, 2020.

Project #22: Southwest Offsite Improvements

- The City of Fresno has selected a consultant for design and will be coordinating with Fresno City College West Fresno Campus and developers on right-of-way dedications and design work for the infrastructure improvements.

WDP- WFATT:

- Fresno Area Workforce Connection has created a recruitment flyer and pre-screened 20 potential candidates for the truck driving school. They are now working on procurement of the vehicle. In the next 6 months, hands on training will begin. There will be on-going community outreach, student graduation and program completion.

WDP- Welding Program:

- The Welding Program lead by State Center Community College District has been approved by SGC and will be incorporated into the Master Grant Agreement hopefully by the end of the year. The program currently has an anticipated start date for February 2021 and will start the recruitment process for participants.

CEP:

- All Community Engagement Component contracts have begun work:
 - The current Transform Fresno website is being revamped which you just heard about, and a Facebook page has been created as well
 - A Transform Fresno Summit that will be open to the public is being planned for February 2021
 - Direct Mailing and outreach related to community input and data collection is underway
 - A cohort of 12 young people will begin their Leadership Development Training through Youth Leadership Institute and Fresno EOC at the start of 2021

CEP – Green Trails Project:

- The US Green Building Council of Central California has held 1 in-person and 3 virtual bicycle education workshops, held one video competition to get Public Service Announcement videos on bicycle riding, created a website with bicycle and bike to school information, and is conducting one survey regarding biking to school. USGBC will be collaborating with local schools and Fresno State for the survey and bicycle education events in the future.

DAP: which you just heard about

- Thrivance Project is holding Dignity Institutes that will assemble a coalition of community members, stakeholders and service providers as Subject Matter Experts and guidance for policy legacy transmission. They are working on a draft form of policy recommendations and tools to help identify displacement vulnerabilities within the project area.