

## City of Rancho Cordova Town Hall Meeting Notes 4/8/15 at City Hall – Community Organizations AM

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Council Members Present: McGarvey, Budge

Staff Present: Nakamura, Haven, Ulm, George, Abhar, Silva, Chinn, Busch, Downton

Community Present: Estimated Community Member Attendance: 50

Start: 10:00 AM

End: 11:30 AM

### Themes:

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- Signage: way finding and community event advertising
- Expand community events
- Hospital
- Regional Transit (RT) safety
- Folsom Boulevard enhancements
- Arts and History
- Youth – sports, after school activities
- Education – K-8 and college
- Parks
- Hagan Park pool
- RT crossings
- Entertainment
- Retail: restaurants, grocery store, shopping
- Homelessness
- Public transportation system/hub
- Senior resources/housing
- Infrastructure improvements
- Public safety

### COMMUNITY INPUT: Short Term Projects/Goals - Table Report Out:

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- Hospital
- Overpass light rail at Zinfandel and Mather
- Horn Road/Library light rail station
- More community events – outside
- Senior center facility
- More recreation programs
- Movie theater
- Positive schools
- Boys and girls club
- Turn up neighborhood watch
- Street lights – Coloma/Sonata/Zinfandel
- Welcome to neighborhood signage
- Fix swimming pool at Hagan Park
- Revitalize parks - shade structures, water, bathrooms, swings
- Past editions of Grapevine digitized
- More white linen restaurants
- Trader Joes

- Remove panhandlers on streets
- Clean up Walmart
- More security at light rail
- Ticket only to ride light rail
- Health education programs/nutrition
- More animal services/health
- Grocery store on Folsom Boulevard – Winco
- Remove trash piles and enforce rules
- Speed bumps at White Rock school
- More police in neighborhoods
- Oversight committee for Measure H
- Our town Veterans Hall for all veterans and used by the community when not in use
- Transitional house for homeless people of Rancho Cordova
- Neighborhood community gardens
- Public transportation
- Improve walkability
- Improve community relations with police activities
- Program to bring retired community with our youth
- Bowling alley
- New library
- Enhance existing library
- Increase and enhance public transportation
- Pedestrian bridges over Highway 50, Folsom Boulevard, etc.
- More concerts in the community
- Enhance arts and music in the community
- Big name entertainment concert to benefit veterans, military families
- How do we get more people to visit the community
- Create a big attraction in the community, ongoing, possibly special events
- Attract more desirable businesses
- Ambulance service for veterans and transportation to the VA hospital
- More mental health services
- Transitional/rehabilitation skills development for entry back to work force
- Help people to connect to each other, City WiFi, etc.
- Employment skills for youth and adults for jobs available in the community
- Fix things properly such as gates to parkway (appropriate access and maintenance)
- Maintain facilities better
  - Hagan park ponds
  - Playground equipment
  - Sports fields
- Need to expand bus routes south of Folsom Boulevard
- Transportation options for people
- Streetlights
- Promote safety in neighborhoods
- Park sports fields need benches, better maintenance, snack bar
- Homeless population to transitional housing
- Better signage to advertise community events
- Better access to attractions in Hagan Park and better promotion of sites and events within park

- Security – increase police presence
- More proactive policing, building positive relationships
- Traffic speed enforcement – Coloma is one example
- Better connectivity from Ambassador to Hagan Park
- Complete electrical system at Hagan and put in electrical in other parks for events
- Sidewalks – example Malaga and other streets
- Driver training for low income students who can't afford it but are in school or have job
- Linkage to marriage and family therapists to community programs (school district)
- Control feral cat population (low/no cost spay and neuter)
- Dog park in new Rancho
- No kill animal shelter
- Additional support to community events
- More children's festivals
- History museum
  - A wing (of personal historical collections)
  - Secure land and a building for a museum (Kilgore Road is the designated road for Historical District with all historical buildings on that road)
- Infrastructure on Folsom Boulevard (electric wires, foam wires, underground work)
- Hagan Park pool
- Paving Sunrise from Coloma to bridge
- Speed bump – El Pavo Way
- Light rail security and ticket check before boarding
- Park improvements in existing neighborhoods
- Cameras in the parks
- Cross walks on Coloma Road between Sunrise and Benita
- Banners overhead announcing community events (located at key entrances so you can read them)
- Locator signs for key locations in city (large enough to read)
- Make the bike lanes stand out (Folsom identifies them with bright green lanes)
- A Town Hall meeting to tell us how the city is using Measure H funds, what is going on, update on the progress
- Renovate pool at Hagan Park
- ADA access to Live Steamers at Hagan Park
- In ground irrigation for Live Steamers in Hagan Park (automated)
- Rotary would like funds to expand their youth literacy program
  - Dictionaries for all 3<sup>rd</sup> graders
  - B Street theatre program
  - Book fair for title 1 schools (expand to all schools)
- Home improvement for disabled/seniors/low income (Sierra Service Project/volunteer labor)
- Replacement of amenities (upgrades) to existing parks (and maintenance)
- Help existing businesses replace lawns with water efficient/drought tolerant landscaping
- Give us a reason to “not go to Folsom”
- Help our schools

- Assist with construction of solar unit at Live Steamers in Hagan – provides shade for Live Steamers and electricity for the park
- Solar panels over seating area at Hagan Pool (provides shade and power)
- Provide assistance to homeless
- Build/improve community gardens in schools (and specifically at Mills)
- Street repair
- Sidewalk repair
- Safe crossings at freeway interchanges
- Assist with entertainment center financing
- More retail
- Grocery store south of Highway 50
- Better community signage – way finding and informative
- Swimming pools at Hagan Park
- More police (e.g. POP)
  - Reduced crime
- Services to seniors
  - Handyman program
  - Home improvement
- Improved/expanded youth sports fields (parks)
  - Repurpose existing
  - Soccer
  - Little league
  - Shade structures
- Volunteer opportunities, get more people involved
- Upgrade (add lights) to sports fields
- Community center that will support arts and other activities
- Create more after-school youth programs (mentor)
  - Things for kids to stay off the streets
- Big/expanded library
- Start “planning” for long range transit issues
- Clean up and improve safety/appearance of RT stations
- Road improvements/traffic issues
  - Grade separation at Zinfandel
- Explore partnerships for promoting safety with other agencies
- Bring in Winco
- More restaurants
- Complete streetscape plan for Coloma
- Add street lights on Coloma between Folsom and Chase
- New youth programs that promote civic service
- Underground utility lines on Folsom
- Workforce development training
- Neighborhood community gardens
- Explore code amendments (parking) to encourage new activities (soccer parking)
- Bathrooms in community parks
- City coordinated youth sports programs among existing clubs/teams
- Accessible housing for seniors
- Performing arts center

**COMMUNITY INPUT: Big Picture/10 Year Themes - Table Report Out:**

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- Hospital

- RT overpass at Zinfandel and Mather
- Commercial flights out of Mather
- Bridge over American River/Carmichael
- Outdoor theater, amphitheater
- WiFi the whole City
- Improved transportation needs - new homes
- Build interchange
- More freeway access
- Independent school district
- Adult education back
- Build connector
- More parks
- Second Saturday events like downtown
- Transportation - center hub
- Expand CordoVan to all of Rancho Cordova
- Drought tolerant landscaping (grants)
- Animal shelter
- Move rendering plant
- City buys under used property on Folsom Boulevard
- Buy in the city program
- City loan program to fix homes - middle income
- Build fire house
- Replace old buildings
- Veterans hall
- Preservation and improvement of existing infrastructure. Examples: water, roads, etc.
- Support community and locally owned businesses
- Continued support for transitional housing
- Expand the Children's Museum
- Inclusive community center
- Create a museum district
- More affordable housing for veterans, others
- Manage residential growth
- Grow an attractive community for young families
- Employment skills center with businesses, colleges, schools, community organizations working together
- Underground utility lines
- City's own public transportation system (similar to CordoVan)
- Major theme park: Marine World, Six Flags, Disneyland North
- Preserve green and open space areas
- Sports franchise, big sports team
- City owned fire department
- City owned police department
- Large meeting and conference center
- State university
- Apprentice programs for young people
- Hospital
- New larger City Hall
- Ensure sustainability and funding for big community events
- Annex areas around city - whole planning area

- Cameras on street poles for safety, traffic
- Underground utilities – Folsom Boulevard and other areas
- Citywide wireless internet
- Gateway entrance signs
- Improve schools
- Build partnerships, lobbying to improve non-city services
- Olympic quality sports centers – aquatics, track and field, soccer
- Quality ice rink
- No kill animal shelter
- Sustainable, affordable housing for homeless and low income
- Hospital
- Amphitheater
- More effective lobbying, support to get veterans, homeless housing
- Tear down abandoned buildings
- Bike connectivity throughout Rancho including old Rancho Cordova
- Greater emphasis on improving Rancho Cordova image to outside world
- Real shopping centers – buy suits and other goods all in Rancho Cordova
- Festival grounds
- Reduce “ladder fuels” in the parkway (could make as youth project) and animal curriculum
- Better youth mentoring programs
- Kilgore Road established as a historical district
- History museum in a historical building on Kilgore (preferably on property that’s going to be the entertainment center, with extra parking)
- City grant to upgrade the Grange Hall
- Community center – “Gold Rush Village” (theme: Old Sacramento)
- Master Plan for the City
- Purchase land across from light rail, next to Folsom Lake college for the community center
- Folsom Boulevard as historic city center
- History museum is indoor/outdoor (include a military museum)
  - Indoor is for historical items and outdoor is for a farm-like structure to store farm equipment once used in our land – includes other nationalities
- Infrastructure to prepare for new growth
- A historic presence in important areas (preserving history)
- The Grange improvements – using grant money
- Double deck Sunrise
- Hospital
- Ensure remain one community (new vs. old)
- Colleges
- Change culture, become something new while still honoring the past
- World class internal police force
- Large sports center
- More support for people in need (special needs population)
- Museum
- Science Exploratorium
- Large interconnected park system with off street trails
- Dog parks
- Reduce number of fast food restaurants

- Increase minimum wage
- No more lawns (aesthetically pleasing landscaping)
- Our own no kill animal shelter (and all that entails)
- More solar structures throughout the community
- Convention center (arena)
- Senior services and housing (affordable and nice)
- Viable identifiable downtown core (walkable destination)
- Eliminate Folsom Boulevard (as a through fare)
- Preserving river and river access
- Dramatically improve image of Rancho Cordova – when you tell out of state people where you live they have heard of it and think highly of it
- Water park
- Government agencies getting along and working together towards aligned goals
- Make people want to be in Rancho Cordova schools
- Work with school district to effect positive changes (put on pressure)
- Fund police department to eliminate all gangs
- Safe place to live
- Destination sports facilities
  - Regional (Western U.S. draw)
  - Sports tourism
- Double decker Sunrise Avenue
- Grade separations for light rail at freeway connection
- Community centers (indoor space)
- Create a downtown
- Affordable housing
- A new North/South connector
- Bridge over River at Bradshaw
- Cohesive/long range transit alternatives (other than RT)
- Festival grounds for Big Big events!!
- Enhance and market a water center
- Build a north side Folsom Boulevard
- Create infill recreation opportunities (add more options)
- Major entertainment and arts center/theater
  - Cultural center
- Disneyland North
- Family oriented businesses
- 4-year college
- Expanded Children’s Museum
- Expand on culture of the area
  - Access to river and other natural resources
  - Build activities to link to river
  - New buildings/restaurants
- Hospital
- Facility for pro women’s soccer
- Make Mather a passenger transit airport
- Science/aviation museum (state of the art)
- Attract corporate businesses to take advantage of Mather