



Tesuque Planning Committee Meeting Meeting Summary 10.17.19

Public Participation

Members of Tesuque community met with Santa Fe County staff on Thursday, October 17th at the Tesuque Fire Station. The group welcomed new attendees who heard about the process through neighbor outreach and from the Tesuque BBQ in September. The Tesuque planning process was initiated and authorized in 2019 to update the 2013 Tesuque Community Plan and bring it into alignment with the Santa Fe County Sustainable Growth Management Plan and the Sustainable Land Development Code.

Review of 2019 Draft Changes

Staff opened the meeting with an overview of the 2019 Tesuque Community Plan Update process. Since May 2019, the group has reviewed sections of the 2013 Tesuque Community Plan that need to be aligned with the County's Sustainable Growth Management Plan or Sustainable Land Development Code. The three areas of correction fall into the categories: Land Use categories from 2013 that no longer exist in the County's framework; 2013 Plan regulatory language, which belongs in the Sustainable Land Development Code; and references to ordinances that are no longer in use.

Staff divided the 2013 Plan into three sections and proposed modifications according to the three areas. Each of these sections were presented at the monthly meetings, starting in June 2019 and culminating in August 2019. The Committee reviewed the changes and proposed modifications, if necessary. The October 2019 Tesuque Planning Committee meeting reviewed a compilation of all the proposed changes to date, to help bring the group focus back to the Tesuque Plan as a whole, but also to bring awareness to the next step in the process. After completing the 2019 Plan Update, staff will draft changes to the Tesuque Overlay in the Sustainable Land Development Code and bring them to the Committee and public for review. These changes will need to be justified in the Plan. Therefore, if there are additional changes desired in the Overlay, now is the time to include them in the Plan Update.

After reviewing the Plan changes, the group was introduced to the Use Matrix Comparison. This table compares the County's overall use table of Prohibited, Conditional, and Permitted uses with Tesuque's own table. The document does not cover all 200+ uses, instead highlighting just a few that differ drastically from the County, or present a conflict with the Tesuque Plan policy.

Finally, the group discussed walls and fences in Tesuque, reviewing the County's survey data along Bishops Lodge Road, as well as hearing individuals talk about their personal experience with placing walls/fences along their properties.

The next meeting will be held on Monday, November 18th at the Santa Fe County Complex. Meeting materials can be found at:

https://www.santafecountynm.gov/growth_management/community_planning_center/tesuque