

Pojoaque Valley Planning Committee Meeting Summary
Thursday, March 9, 2006 6:30pm – 8:30pm
Sammy Quintana Community Board Room

(Note: This is a meeting summary and is not intended to give the meeting contents in its entirety. If you would like to get more details about the meeting, please contact another committee member that was present at the meeting, or the SF County Planning staff.)

David Dogruel opened the meeting at 6:30pm.

Aamodt Settlement

Governor Richardson has vetoed the state portion of the money for the Aamodt settlement, because he believes it is the Federal government's responsibility.

School L-Wing, Community Center

David D. reported on a meeting he and David Ortiz had with school superintendent Trujillo. Superintendent Trujillo is championing an early childhood development center at the site of the old high school. This would include Head Start, Kindergarten and programs for the developmentally delayed. She would also like to see an alternative High School with an estimated student body of 40. A utilization study is being done to look at these options and to forecast growth in the district.

The County's lawyers have reviewed the documents pertaining to the original donation of land to the school district to see if it would be legal to use the site for a community center. An agreement is in place between the school district and the County for Charlotte Heatheron, the District's lawyer to make use of the County lawyers' work. The County has funds to pay for this.

The current plan to demolish the L-Wing of the old school is not set in stone. However, the L-Wing needs asbestos abatement, plumbing repair and other upgrades. The \$900,000 earmarked for demolition of the L-Wing could not easily be used to upgrade the building. If the money is not used for demolition, by law, it would revert to its source and be reallocated.

Jack asked David D. if the capital outlay funding designated for a community center could be used for the old campus. David D. said any public funds that are used for capital improvement projects may result in a negative offset of the school's capital outlay budget. Jack also inquired whether the senior center funding would specifically be used for the Jacona Land Grant site. The group agreed that these subjects would need to be investigated further. Jack and Renee will also need to review the original Action Plan concerning use of the old school building and update it to reflect the issues and options laid out by the school board.

Report from the County

The County has retained the services of Al Pitts, a demographer and statistician, to extract data from the Census that is relevant to the Pojoaque Valley. He will look at population, age categories, migration and place of work, transportation, languages spoken at home, and number of people with home businesses. He should complete this work by the end of April.

Mary Lou asked about progress on mapping. We need to clarify the status of the access roads. Jack said that the person who was working on these issues with us, has left the County. We have to do the best we can with what we have. If people see errors on the maps, they are requested to give the County the information it needs to straighten it out. The external boundaries should be correct, but internal boundaries are in question. The County will need to

put a disclaimer on the map. Levi commented that Pojoaque Pueblo has very good maps. David D. suggested that the BIA might be able to request these maps from Pojoaque.

District Use Table

The remainder of the meeting was spent on the district use table.

Finn Clark-Brown, who is new to our meetings, introduced himself. He has bought the Rocking Horse Ranch, and is planning a school there. He is concerned about the impact of our plan on his plans.

We changed the category we added last week, Home School with more than 13 people, to Home School/Private School.

The following were clarifications of categories offered by Jack:

- Treatment Centers and Drug Rehabilitation Centers are considered part of the Social Service Institution category.
- Major and Minor Utilities are both installations that do not usually have employees at the site. Major Utilities provide region-wide services. Minor Utilities need to be near the area where service is provided.
- A home office (which falls under home occupation status) must be attached to or in the home. The types of offices covered in this table are not attached to the home.

We completed changes to both columns on page two of the table, and completed the Restaurants and Bars category on page three.

We will continue to work on this table at our next meeting on March 23rd.

Notes by E.B.