



Visioning Workshop Summary

Mesa County Health and Human Services

Wednesday, August 14, 2019 – Mesa County Health and Human Services, 510 29 ½ Road, Grand Junction

The City of Grand Junction hosted a Visioning Workshop on Wednesday, August 14, 2019, at the Mesa County Health and Human Services building as part of the ongoing outreach process for the *One Grand Junction Comprehensive Plan*. This workshop was led by City Staff and was attended by 15 participants. Input received at this workshop and through additional outreach avenues will assist the *One Grand Junction* planning team in identifying goals and objectives essential to achieving the Plan's vision.

WORKSHOP FORMAT

Participants were assigned to two groups who were charged to work as a team to prepare their vision for the community, including mapping desired improvements and development. Each group was provided a workbook packet that included guidelines for discussion along with a large map of the City and surrounding area. Suggested topics included the following:

- **Residential Areas and Housing**
- **Commercial Areas and Uses**
- **Industrial Areas and Uses**
- **Transportation issues and improvements (including public transit and biking)**
- **Parks, Open Space and Recreation, and Natural Areas**
- **Community Facilities**
- **Image and Identity**
- **Other Ideas**

The Visioning Maps accompany this summary in a separate document.

SUMMARY LIST OF IDEAS

The following is a list of ideas, suggestions, and concepts that were written in the workbooks and/or on maps organized by topic. The ideas below were stated by participants during the visioning workshop and do not represent recommendations of the *One Grand Junction* planning team.

RESIDENTIAL AREAS AND HOUSING

- New homes around 29 Road and Orchard Mesa
- Affordable apartments
- Every residential area should have a green space/park to encourage physical activity
 - Orchard Mesa
 - Clifton
 - 25 Road and 24 ½ Road
- Matchett Park – community center
- Homeless – CM Road
- Powers Road in floodway
- Colorado and 12th Street to 1st Street should be a priority for historic preservation

COMMERCIAL AREAS

- Eastgate development – accessible, attractive
- Add mall in Clifton area or better shopping
- 24 Road – around community hospital
- Add a Top Golf
- Highway 50 into Orchard Mesa – needs business injection or some TLC
- Food desert in Pear Park area – add grocery store
- Mesa Mall – adopt into recreation center

INDUSTRIAL AREAS

- Riverside Parkway
- North Grand Junction

TRANSPORTATION

- Sidewalks – 29 ½ Road, Orchard, North, ridges in the Redlands, Broadway Elementary, 29 Road and Patterson Road
- Transit – faster and easier
- Accessibility from Patterson to G Road on 25 Road
- E Road – add speed bumps
- Add 29 Road/I-70 interchange
- Bike paths – for commuters and recreation; consider locating them along the canals
- North Avenue – beautify and improve safety

PARKS, OPEN SPACE AND RECREATION, NATURAL AREAS

- Community garden north of Community Services Building
- Compost transfer stations
- Area behind Redlands Safeway
 - Flood hazard, full of junk
- Green areas accessible for all
- Matchett Park – community center

COMMUNITY FACILITIES

- Composting center
- Community/recreation center at Matchett Park
- Detox facility/center near community
- More homeless facilities
- Outdoor mall/recreation center

IMAGE AND IDENTITY

- Country quiet
- City convenience
- Retirement
- Medical – accessible
- Not too big/not too small
- Transportation to connect communities
- Move visitors center to Clifton
 - Current location is hard to access/small
 - Clifton location could use a boost
- Better/more welcoming details entering Clifton
 - I-70 exit to Clifton
 - U.S. 6 and Highway 50
- Communities within community
 - Walkable/bikeable
 - Residential
 - Shopping
 - Medical
 - Recreation/parks

OTHER IDEAS

- Medical improvements in Clifton
- Energy efficient building
- Water usage reduction
- Waste reduction
- Better recycling/compost