

Attachment 2

# Fairview Developmental Center Specific Plan Outreach Summary

## Workshop 1 Details

The City of Costa Mesa hosted the first round of community engagement for the Fairview Developmental Center Specific Plan. The city hosted three (3) separate workshops, in English and Spanish.

- English Thursday, November 2, 2023
  - 6 p.m. to 8 p.m.
  - o Costa Mesa Senior Center, 695 W 19th St., Costa Mesa
  - **65** Attendees
  - **49** comments cards submitted
- Spanish Friday, November 3, 2023
  - 6 p.m. to 8 p.m.
  - o Costa Mesa Senior Center, 695 W 19th St., Costa Mesa
  - **10** Attendees
  - 9 comments cards submitted
- English and Spanish Monday, November 6, 2023
  - o 6 p.m. to 8 p.m.
  - Hosted virtually using Zoom
  - o **39** Attendees

### Workshop Advertisement

The city advertised the workshop through various media and print forms as described below:

- Mailed flyers to persons living or owning property within 1000 feet of the site.
- Sent flyers home with all students in the Newport Mesa Unified School District
- Posted information about the workshops and flyers on the project website.
- Emailed the flyer to interest lists maintained by the City (Housing Element, Inclusionary Zoning Ordinance, community groups, etc.).
- Distributed flyers to libraries, community centers and select coffee shops for posting.
- Advertised the workshops via unpaid posts on the City's social media pages (Instagram, Twitter, Facebook, Nextdoor).
- Sent information to the City maintained Nixle email/text list.
- Included information in the City Hall Snapshot.

## Workshop Outline and Purpose

The goal of the first set of workshops was to provide information on the Specific Plan and project timeline, and to gather input and ideas to shape the vision and guiding principles for the



Fairview Developmental Center Specific Plan. For consistency and equity, the format of the three workshops was the same and included the following information and activities:

- Welcome and team introductions.
- A presentation to outline the history, existing use and surrounding uses and potential opportunities of the site, including a variety of housing types as designated by the City's 2021-2029 Housing Element.
- A summary of the agreement between the State and City to plan for the reuse of the site.
- Time for live Q&A.
- A group exercise to collectively answer the question, "What are the ingredients of a great neighborhood?"
- Summary and report out of each group's work.
- Opportunity for attendees to prioritize the ideas and comments shared by all groups.

Complete recordings of the Spanish and English Presentations provided at the virtual workshop are available on the project webpage at **FDCHousingPlan.com**. Copies of the PowerPoint presentations are also posted on the webpage. All written ideas from the group exercises and a summary of comments are included in this document.

## Workshop Photos

These photos are from the in-person workshops held on November 2 and November 3.













# **Activity Boards and Comments**

Small groups of participants (tables in-person and virtual rooms) collectively answered the question, "What are the ingredients of a great neighborhood?" Comments from the group exercise have been color coded to connect similar ideas and sentiments. Ideas generated were summarized into the following categories:



Input gathered from the group exercise (in addition to other comments and feedback received) will be used to inform the Draft Vision Statement and Guiding Principles for the Specific Plan. The Draft Vision Statement and Guiding Principles will guide land use planning and set community priorities for the Specific Plan. The community will review the vision and guiding principles at the next workshop, they will be made available on the project website in advance of the meeting.

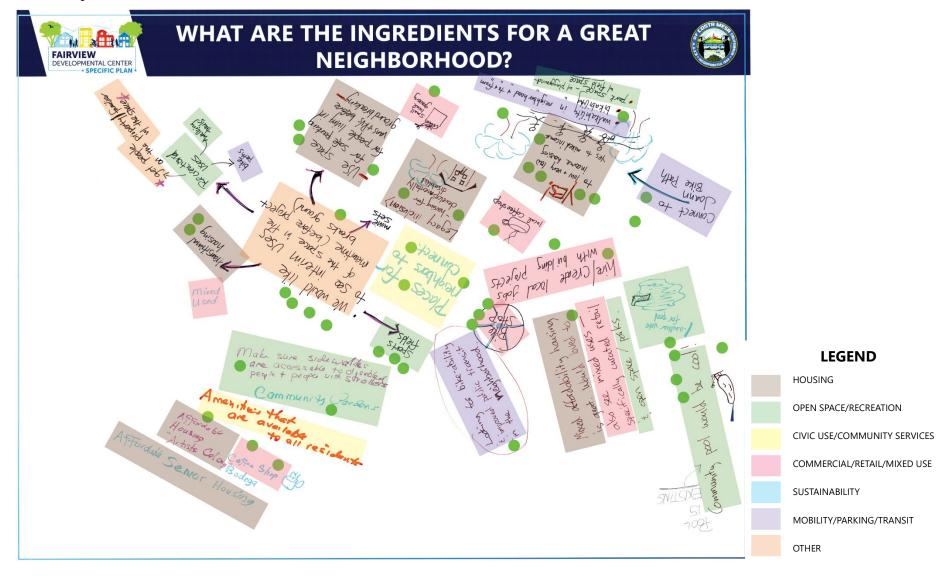


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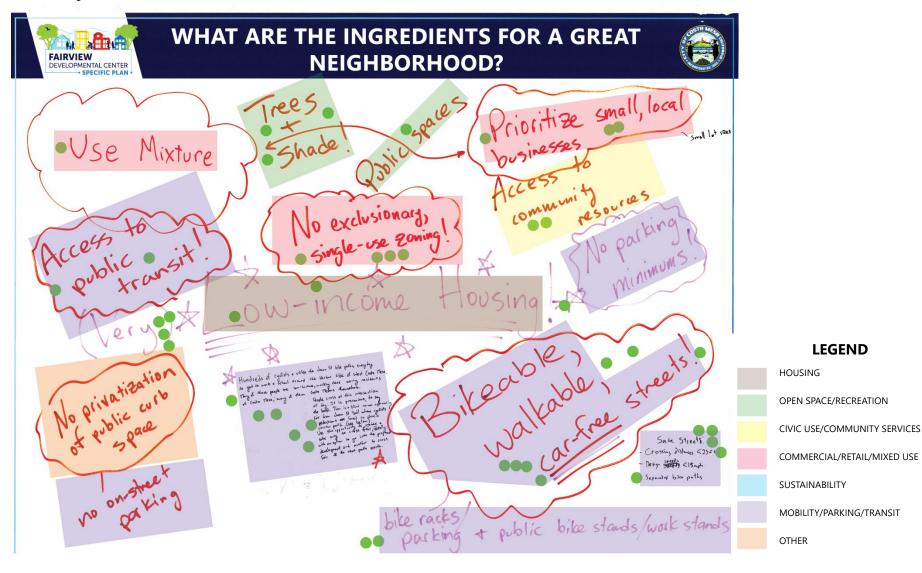
















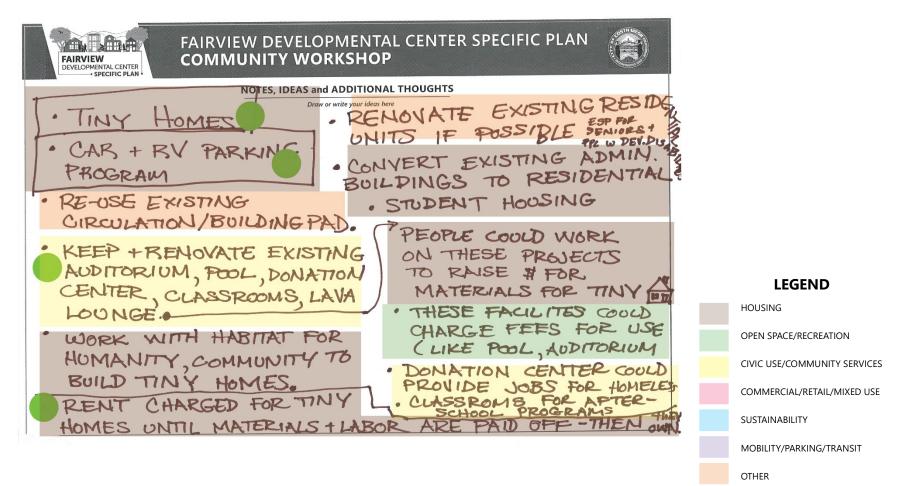






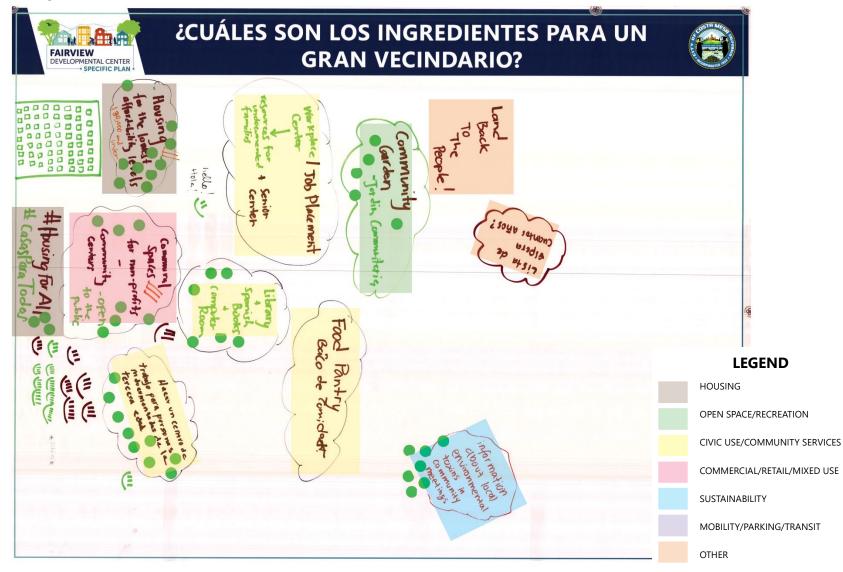
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### Friday November 3: In-Person Comments

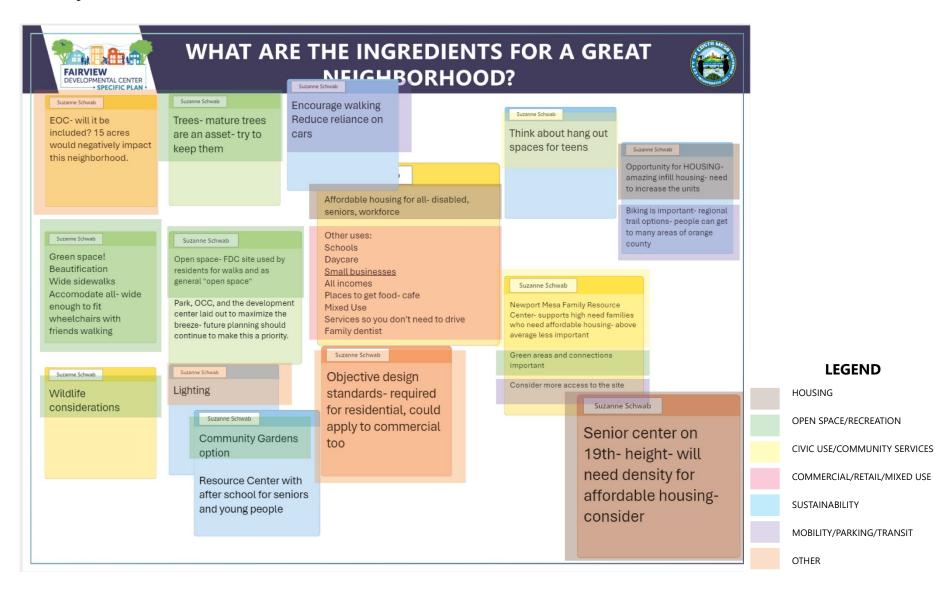




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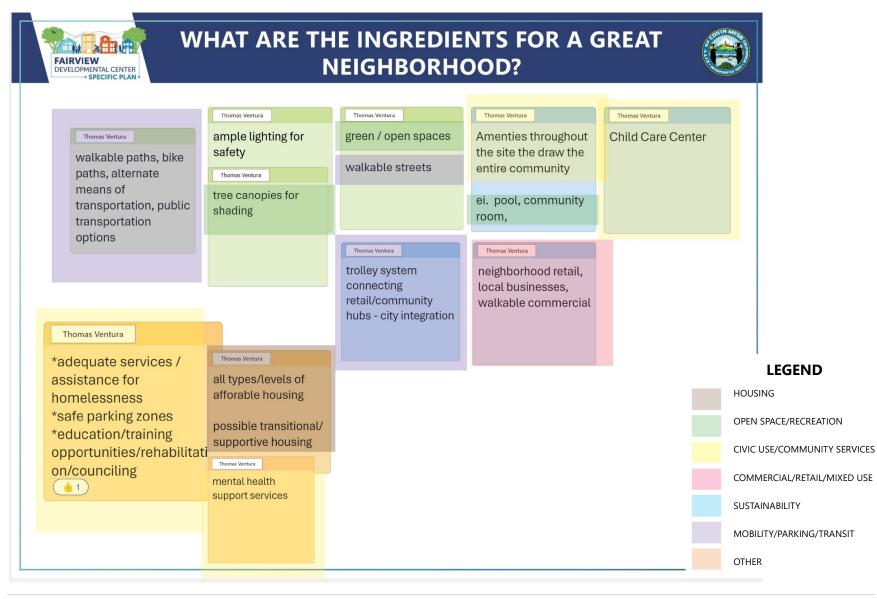




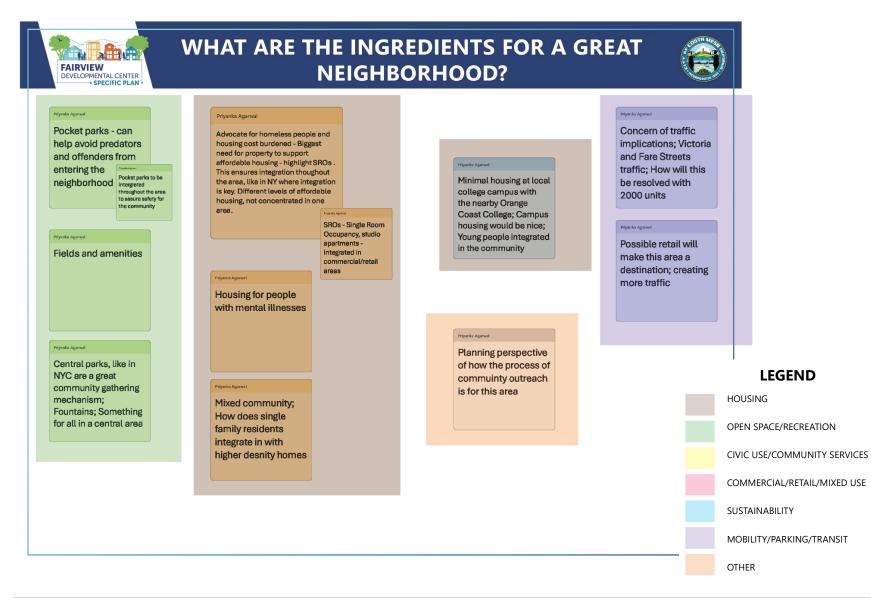


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Paul Herrmann	Paul Herrmann	Paul Herrmann	
Safe space Near great schools great landscaping family space, kid friendly (playgrounds, parks where kids can run without disturbing neighbors 5 stores is OK but any higher seems too dense Costa Mesa residents want to stay in this town home town feeling prefer direct access to unit for family	Affordable for housing for our children and young families friendly community keep our labor force local prefer to be aggressive for affordable component for negotiations with State - will require some degree of State subsidies - get a better deal to get better project from the developer as the land is the most expensive component High quality, comfortable, safe, affordable housing thoughtful projects can be positive on the commmunity and property values	supports more affordable inclusive housing friendly to disabled person	
		Prefers 2 stories max,	
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# **Summary of Comments Received**

## Thursday, November 2 Comments

Resident comments at the in-person workshop covered a wide range of thoughts and desires for the Specific Plan area. In order of prevalence, here are summarized comments:

- Traffic/Mobility/Parking (17 comments)
  - Concerns regarding negative traffic impact on surrounding streets
    - Three specific requests for more entrance/exit points for the site
  - o Create walkable connections to local streets
  - Plan should include ways to prevent illegally parked vehicles on the site
  - Create better bicycling connections to local streets and nearby destinations
    - One specific comment about a bike route through the golf course
  - Concerns about local parking becoming difficult

### • Open Space/Recreation (14 comments)

- Need for park / open space / greenery on the site
  - Includes two comments about providing an outdoor amphitheater
  - One comment about ensuring that shared spaces are available to all
- Keep as many existing trees as possible
- o Include sports fields
  - Three specific requests for little league fields

#### • Sustainability (9 comments)

- Three discussed the construction and operation of housing
- o Three discussed transportation and reducing vehicle trips at the site
- Reuse/Repurpose existing buildings
  - One specific note to turn one into a community center

#### • Mixed-Use/Land Use Types (7 comments)

- Plan for on-site services and/or mixed use
  - This includes retail, grocery, and entertainment
- Density generally:
  - Four comments in favor of increasing density and/or building height
  - Three comments opposed to high-density and/or tall buildings

### • Schools (6 comments)

- School access from the site:
  - Schools are a potential local resource for green spaces
  - Need to understand the impact of increased local housing on the schools nearby
- Crime Concerns (6 Comments)
  - Housing should emphasize and prioritize seniors and young families
- Housing Considerations (7 comments)
  - Worries about increased crime due to low-income housing



- Preference for housing should be given to locals
- Need for increased police presence due to low-income housing
- Include/consider/allow tiny homes
- Other (4 comments each)
  - Provide on-site childcare
  - Create of a citizens advisory committee to make decisions about the site
  - o Concerns about keeping the site clean due to low-income housing
- Other (3 Comments each)
  - Concerns about the impact of the site on neighboring property values
  - o Curiosity about who will be responsible for project costs

## Friday, November 3 Comments

Resident comments at the in-person workshop covered a wide range of thoughts and desires for the Specific Plan area. In order of prevalence, below are summarized comments:

- Community Resources/Civic Uses (5 comments)
  - Community Resource Center with job center, immigration counseling, Senior citizen services
  - Elementary school
- Housing Types (4 comments)
  - Providing housing and rents affordable to lowest possible incomes
  - Housing for university students
- Health/ Transit Services (2 comments)
  - Health clinic for lower income families
  - Accessible public transportation
  - Rehabilitation Center
- Open Space/Recreation (2 comments)
  - Soccer fields and other public spaces
  - Community pool
- Other Ideas (1 comment each)
  - Bookstore with Spanish language books and computers
  - Community vegetable garden
  - Food Pantry
  - Good lighting and parking
  - Supermarkets near housing

## Monday, November 6 Comments

Resident comments at the virtual workshop covered a wide range of thoughts and desires for the Specific Plan area and were collected through the Chat feature in Zoom. In order of prevalence, here are summarized comments:



- Housing Types (23 comments)
  - Ensuring a high ratio of low/very-low income affordable housing
  - Providing some supportive housing on the site
  - Increase density to increase availability of affordable housing

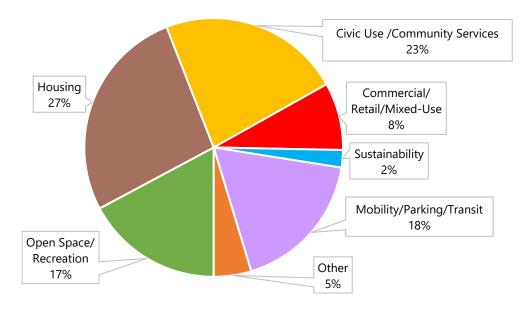
#### • Transit (8 comments)

- Have good connections to public and active transit options
  - Two mentions of providing a trolley or shuttle that connects to other Costa Mesa destinations
  - Two mentions of low or no parking per unit to encourage public/active transit use
- Ensure easy entrance/exit
- Open Space (6 comments)
  - o Ensure that public green spaces are included in the plan
    - Two comments noting space for community gardens
- Mixed-Use/Other Uses (7 comments)
  - Provision for ground-level mixed-use spaces
    - One comment specifying catering to small local businesses
  - Create a teen/multi-use center on site
  - Use the site for something other than affordable housing
  - Create a resource center on site
- Other (2 comments)
  - Two Concerns about who owns/pays for/controls the land
- Other (1 comment)
  - Provide unique amenities to build community among residents



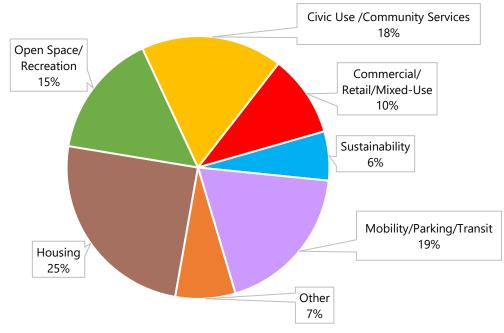
# **Summary of Comments and Priorities**

**Figure 1** below displays the total number of dots used to prioritize ideas from the group exercise during all workshops.



## Figure 1: Participant Priorities by Category

Figure 2 below displays the total number of comments by category.



## Figure 2: Total Count of Comments by Category