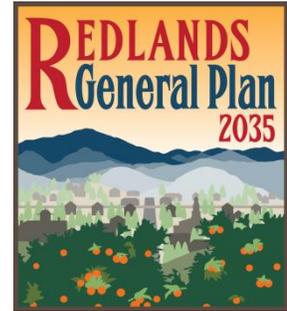


Redlands General Plan

Stakeholder Interviews



Stakeholder: Jordan Henk (Director of Planning), Kathy Ogren (Provost), Cory Nomura (CFO), Shelly Stockton (Alumni Relations), and Charlotte Burgess (Vice President)

Representing: University of Redlands

Date & Time: 7/23/2015, 3:00 @ U. of R.

Questions

1. Describe your organization:
 - The University of Redlands is a private, educational institution with about 2,700 undergraduates and 1,500 graduate at the Redlands campus.
 - 70% of undergrads live on campus
 - Classes run September through June. Most undergraduates away during summer.
 - The University will grow somewhat larger but will not expand rapidly
 - Some of the undergrad housing is slated to be renovated and it is likely that new undergrad housing will be constructed too
 - The University is residential in nature and thus it is important for students to have access and corridors to downtown and the west end through roads, trails, and rail
2. From your perspective as a representative of the organization, how supportive has the City been for your purpose, discipline or institution?
 - The University and the City have a very important relationship. What happens in Redlands impacts the ability to attract and retain students and staff
 - The University does a lot for the community:
 - Student interns provide labor to the City
 - Lots of volunteers assist in a variety of causes
 - Provide space for celebrations e.g. Fourth of July

3. What has the City done right?
 - City has helped create a community with a high quality of life and great small town atmosphere
 - Creating the corridors to downtown – rail, trails (Orange Blossom and Zanja)

4. What needs improving? Missed Opportunities?
 - Sylvan Park needs maintenance – example rose garden
 - Urban forest is suffering during the drought. City needs to place a higher value on trees. E.g. obtain a watering truck. University has spent \$100,000 of providing trees to the City
 - Better use and recognition of volunteers
 - Seems that some things require a lot of fighting to get support – ie. Zanja Trail – which are as important as police and fire service

5. What are the key issues, both opportunities and constraints, which the City will face in the next 20 years?
 - Redlands rail – the University has spent a lot of time and money planning for landuse at the stations, and working with the team
 - Trails – students will use the trails to get to and from school, and from school to work, etc. The trails will need to have hours that go beyond those of a traditional park.
 - Flooding – University committed to handling its run off on-site
 - Safety – city needs more sidewalks, street lights, etc. Continue crime abatement.
 - Earthquakes are a concern especially for the older buildings on campus

6. What should the City be doing to plan for the future?
 - Listen to the citizens
 - Geo-design – working with the city to better plan spaces. e.g. the I-10 underpass.
Student could design murals

7. What do you think Redlands will be like in 20 years?
 - Much like it is today with a highly involved citizenry
 - Character is worth hanging onto. Have a sense of being in a defined community
 - It will likely be more dense in some places, more open space in others
 - Redlands is in a certain class of walkable, wellplanned cities like Pasadena and Claremont that most of its neighbors are not

8. Other Comments:
 - Recognize the symbiotic relationship of a “town and gown” community.
 - The University asked how it can be a better partner with the City