# Silverbell Road Public Meeting –Open House Monday June 7, 2010 at Holy Trinity Church – 1300 N. Greasewood

# **Transcribed from Comment Forms:**

#### Attendee #1

1.) Do you have any specific concerns or questions regarding the proposed corridor improvements or potential impact to your property?

I am not in favor of any inlet/outlet that will have vegetation because it collects trash. Vegetation is the "better" look but becomes trashed very easily.

2.) Are there any specific issues that you would like the team to know about?

I prefer the retaining walls with plants to keep consistency north of Grant.

3.) Do you have any questions or concerns regarding the schedule for improving Silverbell Road?

Soil nail retaining walls with slope facings are most appealing (see along Craycroft near Sunrise).

#### Attendee #2

1.) Do you have any specific concerns or questions regarding the proposed corridor improvements or potential impact to your property?

I live on the east side of Silverbell, getting out of subdivision when heading south (turning left) while in construction and after.

Traffic noise after construction.

2.) Are there any specific issues that you would like the team to know about?

Noise impact during construction. Drainage while in construction and access getting in and out of subdivision. Utility impact from construction regarding telephone and cable services.

## Attendee #3

1.) Do you have any specific concerns or questions regarding the proposed corridor improvements or potential impact to your property?

Keep the retaining walls, cost effective without looking cheap like the ones on La Cholla north of River.

Allow feasibility for expansion as needed probably by the time the project is completed.

Natural sidewalks would be used more by equestrians then the likelihood of pedestrians and would be more cost effective.

## 2.) Are there any specific issues that you would like the team to know about?

Morning and evening work, traffic is very heavy with no access to the freeway between El Camino del Cerro and Grant.

# 3.) Do you have any questions or concerns regarding the schedule for improving Silverbell Road?

Time for completion is seemingly snail's pace with inconvenience for residents. It will more than likely be outdated by completion.

#### Attendee #4

# 1.) Do you have any specific concerns or questions regarding the proposed corridor improvements or potential impact to your property?

It's good to see the warranting effort for traffic signals and street lights. If any continuous street lighting is used, please consider "smart lighting" adaptive controls.

## Attendee #5

# 1.) Do you have any specific concerns or questions regarding the proposed corridor improvements or potential impact to your property?

Will Sun Tran travel along Silverbell from Grant to Ina? Will there be any bus pullouts along both sides of Silverbell (northbound and southbound).

# Attendee #6

# 2.) Are there any specific issues that you would like the team to know about?

Landscape – trees and plants.

- 1. Use of Ironwood trees native, slow growing, nurse tree, indigenous!
- 2. Kino Fruit Tree Heritage Project Use of fig, olive etc. in areas!

Desert survivors and others in a collaborative west side project.

# 4.) Additional Comments

I hope the diversity of landscape plants increases concepts of sustainability, including even food production in a spot or two?

#### Attendee #7

2.) Are there any specific issues that you would like the team to know about?

During the construction, will there still be room to bike along the S. section of Silverbell?

## Attendee #8

1.) Do you have any specific concerns or questions regarding the proposed corridor improvements or potential impact to your property?

Not at this time.

2.) Are there any specific issues that you would like the team to know about?

Culvert heights with possible homeless camps

3.) Do you have any questions or concerns regarding the schedule for improving Silverbell Road?

No.

## Attendee #9

1.) Do you have any specific concerns or questions regarding the proposed corridor improvements or potential impact to your property?

Why is an extension of Sweetwater to Miracle Mile lovers pass not considered at this time?

- Only access from Silverbell between Grant and Ina is a single lane and horrible R.R. crossing.
- High congestion now, will only get worse with proposed improvements, homes and business corridor
- Grant Rd. is already congested
- Cost effective to build now, not later.
- 2.) Are there any specific issues that you would like the team to know about?

Traffic control/routing during construction phase. Example, Goret Rd. could become an extremely high traffic route – already higher traffic then originally designed for. Other residential streets could be a problem.

# 3.) Do you have any questions or concerns regarding the schedule for improving Silverbell Road?

Why so long? Alaskan highway took less than a year.

## Attendee #10

# 1.) Do you have any specific concerns or questions regarding the proposed corridor improvements or potential impact to your property?

Concern – To establish baseline data on presence (live and dead) of wildlife on Ina-Grant. Subsequent data after road completion would then be comparable.

Concern – This data be collected by volunteers – i.e. us JQ Public who use this segment. This would greatly enhance the image of this project GOOD PR! Get road users involved! Develop a simple check sheet that can be used on website or filled out on a tangible form.

Example of data form – Date:, Time:, Observer:

Road Segment: Grant-Sweetwater

Sweetwater – El Camino del Cerro

El Camino del Cerro – Ina

Etc.

Animals: Coyote / Bobcat / Domestic Cat / Domestic Dog / Squirrel

1D O 1L

D= Dead

Leave blank if don't know

2L

2D

Note: one horse loose!

Advertise in paper etc. The/we public love to help on projects like this.

# 2.) Are there any specific issues that you would like the team to know about?

Yes! Please have an interpretative spot for archeology.

L= Live

# 3.) Do you have any questions or concerns regarding the schedule for improving Silverbell Road?

Yes! Compliments – abundantly on having a multi-purpose path alongside the new road. Yipee!

#### Attendee #11

1.) Do you have any specific concerns or questions regarding the proposed corridor improvements or potential impact to your property?

Request a median opening south of Hills of Gold

## Attendee #12

Because of the bufflegrass infestation along Silverbell Road, what will be done post construction to ensure re-establishment of the grass in the road ROW? The road is a major movement vector and as part of the planning this should be addressed and incorporated into final design and construction documentation. I recommend firm plans to do invasive plant control for at least three years post construction. Other major projects have addressed this - Kinder Morgan Pipeline project as example.

A second issue is the design of the median curbing and the impact on movement of small reptiles or desert tortoise. Is there a way to design a median that allows some mitigation to a solid concrete wall (6" high) that has to be climbed over and down? Maybe a small sloped ramp point every 50-100 yards between major crossing points for reptiles where the full curb is required?