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Vision 2040: More Public Meetings and Comment Period on Draft Documents

The City of Las Cruces and Doña Ana County will host the fourth round of Vision 2040 public input meetings the week of October 19, 2009. All residents of Doña Ana County and Las Cruces who are interested in long range planning and improving their community are encouraged to attend.

These meetings will be led by our consultants at Peter J. Smith & Company. The primary focus will be a presentation of current draft Vision 2040 documents. Participants will be asked to provide their comments on the draft documents, as we chart a preferred course for our region.

The meeting schedule is as follows:

Mon, Oct. 19 th	5pm-8pm	Hatch	Hatch Community Center, 837 W. Hall St.
Wed, Oct. 21 st	10am-1pm	Las Cruces	Doña Ana County Gov. Center, 845 Motel Blvd
Wed, Oct. 21 st	5pm-8pm	Chaparral	Chaparral Middle School, 290 E. Lisa
Thu, Oct. 22 nd	9am-12pm	Vado/Del Cerro	Del Cerro Community Center, 180 La Fe Ave.
Thu, Oct. 22 nd	5pm-8pm	Las Cruces	Sonoma Elementary School, 4201 Northrise Dr.

Vision 2040 is a long-range, regional comprehensive planning project that is evaluating the needs of the region for the next thirty years, and identifying ways the City and County should act to meet those needs. Specific topics will include population growth and land use, transportation and infrastructure, environmental issues, affordable housing, economic development and many others.

In addition to the public meetings, the City and County are seeking written comments on draft documents. These documents include the Vision 2040 Regional Plan, City of Las Cruces and Doña Ana County Comprehensive Plans, Inventory, and Appendix. These documents are available for download from <u>http://vision2040.nmsu.edu/documents.html</u>. Hard copies will also be available for review soon at the following locations:

- Munson Senior Center
- Mesilla Park Community Center
- Benavidez Community Center
- East Mesa Recreation Center
- City Hall
- City Office Center
- Mesilla Town Hall
- Doña Ana County Planning Office
- Hatch Community Center
- Radium Springs Community Center

- Doña Ana Community Center
- Del Cerro Community Center
- Anthony Water Offices
- Chaparral Water Offices
- Sunland Park Planning Offices
- Organ Community Center
- Rincon Community Center

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The public is encouraged to submit comments on these documents by Friday, October30th.Writtencommentsmaybesubmittedonlineathttp://vision2040.nmsu.edu/Comments.html,by e-mail toahume@las-cruces.org,or by mail toAndy Hume,PO Box 20000,Las Cruces,NM 88004.

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