

Meeting Minutes from the  
Fort Carson Regional Growth Plan  
Sustainability Partnership Group Meeting  
March 13, 2009, 11:00 am – 1:00 pm

**Located at:**

Pikes Peak Area Council of Governments (PPACG)  
15 S. 7<sup>th</sup> Street, Colorado Springs, CO 80905

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**1. welcome and Introductions:**

- Overview of the task handout

**2. Phase II Regional Growth Plan Update/Status**

Kate provided an overview of the Phase II tasks for the Fort Carson Regional Growth Plan and discussed the consultant team that will be working on the project. She also introduced Andy with GBSM who will be leading the sustainability task.

**3. Overview of Regional Sustainability Efforts**

Rich Muzzy explained that there are many ongoing efforts in the community that revolve around sustainability. Updates on each of the individual activities were then presented and discussed.

- *Fort Carson Goal 3 Meetings* – Mary explained that in 2002 Fort Carson adopted twelve, twenty five year goals toward sustainability have been four meetings to discuss Goal 3 is Fort Carson’s Community of One goal. The Community of One goal is to foster better communication and understanding among Fort Carson and its supporting and surrounding community. These meetings have discussed “visions” for what region will look like in 2020 that were created by group at previous meetings. At the last meeting to discuss Goal 3, members discussed the need to have a Goal 3. The Fort Carson sustainability team will discuss plans for goals 3 and 4 and will communicate to attendees about conclusions. For each of the four goal 3 meetings there are meeting minutes.

- *Dream City Vision 2020* – Susan discussed Dream City which is a new approach to develop a community vision of the future. Dream City is holding topic oriented visioning sessions in transportation, culture, and many other subject issues. On July 19 there will be a summit to review, give feedback and develop a common vision. Susan said that Dream City is not intended to be a Strategic Plan but to build public support and momentum. Members discussed how information from this project could be utilized in the Sustainability Task.
- *Quality of Life Indicators for the Pikes Peak Region* – Susan discussed the Quality of Life Indicators Project which is broken down into nine areas. Each of these areas has a Vision Council who discuss, review and develop indicators that are used to measure progress in each of the areas. The project covers El Paso County and 2009 will represent the third year of the project.
- *Operation 6035* – Rich mentioned that Operation 6035 is a six month study launched in January by the Colorado Springs Economic Development Corp. This effort focuses on which industries should we pursue to create jobs in this Region and how we market this community to attract those jobs.
- *Other Efforts*

#### **4. Phase 2 Growth Plan Quality of Life task Update/Status**

Andy discussed the current proposal which was to pick two focus area – transportation and child care and develop a Sustainable Action Plan.

Committee members discussed the commonalities between the different project and the best approach to get synergy between the different tasks and the common driver. The importance of maximizing development at Fort Carson in a sustainable manner. desire to develop a Sustainable Development Economic Plan. Andy said that he would develop a proposal to develop a Sustainable Economic Plan based on the discussion.

#### **5. Next Steps**

Members agreed to have the Military Impact Planning Sustainability Task meeting on the second Friday of the month at 10:00 am.