

Example of a Small Group Exercise **For Possible Use at Community Workshop #2**

Time: Approx. 1 hour and 15 minutes (not including the time for the Small Groups to report back to Large Group)

Objective: To obtain community input on site grouping alternatives to meet a housing target, and the reasons for the site groupings.

Some Basics: The participants in the Small Groups would be asked:

1. Where do you think a Small Group target of 2,500 units should be provided?
2. Why on these sites? What are your reasons, including the criteria of the Steering Committee?

The Small Group target of 2,500 units is suggested for the exercise for the following reasons:

- The 1% growth guideline through June 2013 is 2,300 units. A working target of 3,000 provides a “cushion” and “back-up” sites should some sites not receive entitlements or Measure J approval. In addition, it provides flexibility for final choices by the Steering Committee. The excess units could be considered as possible post-2013 units.
- 500 units have already been provided in building permits, approved units, and estimated second units and downtown units based on simple historic trends (without new incentives, programs or zonings). The working target of 3,000 minus the 500 already provided units equals the Small Group target of 2,500.

The questions would be asked for three site grouping alternatives, each of which would provide for the Small Group target of 2,500 units:

- Alternative A – All within city limits. In this alternative, the Small Groups would be required to start by using “High Priority” sites within the city (possibly 700-800 units, to be determined by the Steering Committee) and then provide the balance of the target number by selecting other sites within the current city limits (which do not need a Measure J vote). A list of site options and number of units for each of the site options would be identified by the Steering Committee to the Small Groups.
- Alternative B – Add Measure J sites. The Small Groups would again start by using the identified “High Priority” sites within the city, and then provide the balance of the target number by selecting other sites which need Measure J approval by voters (including Wildhorse horse ranch as one possibility). A list of site options and number of units for each of the site options would be provided by the Steering Committee to the Small Groups.
- Alternative C – Preferred grouping of Small Group. The Small Groups would again start with the identified “High Priority” sites within the city, and then provide the balance by selecting sites in the city OR sites needing Measure J approval. In this alternative, the Small Groups may either use the list of sites and number of units for each of the site options identified by the Steering Committee, or suggest changes to the list and numbers.

The Small Group participants would give reasons in support for their site selections.

Details: The details of how the Small Groups would go through the exercise and the design of supporting materials would be developed by Steering Committee and staff at upcoming meetings.