

Overview

The Town of Springdale conducted a public

development survey to identify issues relating to growth and quality growth principles that should be considered as guiding principles in the development of their community. This is also a part of the General Plan Review and Revision Project.

1999 Planning Grant Summary

Grant Amount:	\$10,000
Matching Dollars:	\$5,400 (\$5,000 in-kind)
Match:	\$10,400
Project Cost:	\$20,400

Springdale Quality Growth Survey

Local Responsibility

The Town of Springdale solicited the services of Lee Nellis from the Sonoran Institute.

State Leadership

The Quality Growth Commission awarded Springdale with a grant in the amount of \$10,000.

Economic Development

Input received from citizens indicates that they want the large lot development to continue, with exceptions for greater densities for affordable housing. Citizens want the emphasis on the small businesses to continue and to concentrate on servicing the tourist sector.

Infrastructure Development

The Town of Springdale, in cooperation with Zion National Park, Zion Natural History Association and Utah Department of Transportation has developed a shuttle system that will serve the town. The park system has been upgraded with a new playground, sod and mini-amphitheatre. The town has built a new water treatment plant to serve the needs of the town in the future. These have been accomplishments of the General Plan.

Housing Opportunity

The majority of respondents to the survey and those at the open house are not in favor of greater densities in general. However, they are in favor of higher densities for affordable housing.

Conservation Ethic

Ninety-eight participants of the survey believe that the Town should require more conservation easements. Presently, there are two easements. All new subdivisions have open space requirements. Springdale strives to protect the natural environment and has managed to accomplish this goal through continuing to require conservation easements.

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Rick Wixom-Town Manager

Implementation

The Planning grant has been utilized in the development of the town's general plan. The town is currently re-writing the plan, and is expected to complete the process within 6 months.

Promoting Intelligent Growth

The plan will address issues such as preservation of natural features and resources, compatible building design, preservation of open spaces, affordable housing and historic preservation.

Accomplishments

Consultation work, community surveys, community workshops, work sessions for appointed/elected town officials. The Planning Commission has prepared a draft set of Goals and Objectives for plan.

Benefits

A more complete planning process than would have otherwise been possible.