

Welcome

Coloma Lotus Community Meeting

March 18, 2019

Why are we here?

- **Communication**

- **Community Voice**

How did we get here?

- **2/13/18 Board of Supervisors Adopted Updated River Management Plan (RMP)**
- **Removed advisory role of River Management Advisory Committee (RMAC) and is ready to dissolve it**

Community Committee?

- **River Management Advisory Committee (RMAC) had a very narrow focus**
- **A Community Committee can address a broad range of topics**
- **A Community Committee can do research and make recommendations**

Potential Topics

- Residents losing homeowners and fire insurance
- Lotus Fire Station and the time and distance from emergency services its closure causes
- Art project at the intersection of Lotus Rd and 49
- Coloma-Lotus Mobility Plan
- Future projects at Henningsen Lotus Park

Examples of Committees

- **El Dorado/Diamond Springs Community Advisory Committee**
 - <https://www.edcgov.us/Government/BOS/CommissionsAndCommittees/DiamondSpringsandElDoradoCommunityAdvisoryCommittee>
- **El Dorado Hills Area Planning Advisory Committee**
 - <https://edhapac.org/>
- **Shingle Springs Community Alliance**
 - ss-ca.net
- **Georgetown Preservation Society**
 - <https://www.facebook.com/StopDollarGeneralDivide/>

DS/ED Community Advisory Committee

- **Board appointed members = County**
- **Meet in community location**
- **County staff attends when asked**
- **Must follow Brown Act**
 - **Agendas and minutes required – interface with staff to publish**
- **Can create ad hoc/standing subcommittee on agenda**
- **Makes recommendations to Parks & Rec, Planning Commission, BOS, etc.**

EDH Area Planning Advisory Committee

- **Voting Membership qualification**
- **Meet monthly in community location**
- **County staff attends when asked**
- **County Supervisor attends as liaison**
- **Brown Act not required**
 - **Responsible for agendas and minutes – publish and promote**
- **Can create ad hoc or standing subcommittees**
- **Has great website and Facebook**
- **Makes recommendations to Parks & Rec, Planning Commission, BOS, etc.**

SS Community Alliance

- **Community appointed members**
- **Core members meet as needed to research and plan**
 - **Share information with community via email**
 - **Hold community meetings for input**
- **Brown Act not required**
- **Can create ad hoc or standing subcommittees**
- **Has website and Facebook**
- **Makes recommendations to Parks & Rec, Planning Commission, BOS, etc.**
- **Raised funds for expenses**

Georgetown Preservation Society

- **Members came together for one purpose**
- **Members researched and planned**
 - **Shared information with community via Facebook and newspaper articles and ads**
 - **Held community events for fundraising**
- **Brown Act not required**
- **Raised funds for attorney expenses**
- **After success, moving on to new project**

Pros and Cons

- **Brown Act Committees (Board Appointed)**
 - **Must post agenda in timely manner**
 - **At least 72 hours prior to meeting**
 - **Must provide meeting minutes**
 - **A quorum cannot meet outside of the agendized meeting**
 - **Must create ad hoc and standing committees as an agenda item**
 - **Can only discuss agendized items**

Pros and Cons (continued)

● Politics

- **Advisory groups are often ignored = frustration**
- **Successful groups attend County meetings, bring crowds for support, work with staff on County issues, make presence known**
- **501(c)3 Committees cannot participate in politics – individuals can**

● Funding

- **Will your group need money for projects?
Nonprofit, not for profit, or community group?**
- **Grants (like Fire Safe Councils)**

Discussion

- **Be respectful to others**
 - **No rehashing the past**
 - **Let others have their opinion**
- **Your thoughts:**
 - **Ideas for community topics**
 - **Which type of community committee, if any?**
 - **If County appointed, do you have suggestions for the draft resolution?**

Next Steps

- **Sign up your email address**
- **Survey based on today's discussion sent to you – look for an email next week**
- **Results will be published after close of survey – no identifying information**
- **We will move forward based on results**

Thank you!

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