

Meeting Notes from Public Meeting #2 May 4, 2011

The second public meeting for the Zuni Road Study was held on May 4, 2011. The meeting was again held at Highland High School and was attended by approximately 13 people, including area residents, City of Albuquerque staff, and the District 6 City Councilor Rey Garduño. The purpose of the meeting was to inform stakeholders and the public about the progress on the Zuni Road Study, and to show them the two alternatives under consideration for Zuni and gather their comments and questions on them.

The presentation shown at the meeting covered the following topics:

- The work completed to date
- Alternative 1: Road Diet
- Alternative 2: Four Lanes
- Recommendations for the Washington to San Mateo section
- Recommendations for the Wyoming to Central section
- Summary of how public comments have been addressed so far
- Pros and cons of the alternatives

Following the presentation, the meeting was opened up to questions and comments. The questions and comments and a copy of the presentation slides are included in their entirety in Appendix A of the Zuni Road Study report.

A general summary of comments made at the meeting is presented below:

- A concern was raised that providing raised medians at the intersections would be less safe, and would make people more likely to stop in the median when crossing at the signal rather than just crossing the entire road within one pedestrian cycle.
- Someone commented that bike education is needed: bicyclists ride on the wrong side of the street and don't obey street signs and traffic signals.
- One person commented that he thought Alternative 2 would not provide enough change, and that he liked the road diet alternative better.
- A member of the public voiced that she hoped the City has money to do something soon instead of waiting years to reconstruct the road, like what happened on the Lead/Coal project.
- Someone inquired about the type of lighting that would be installed at the pedestrian crossings.
- A member of the audience asked how crossings for school children would be improved at locations along Zuni Road other than at Highland High School.