

RIO GRANDE BOULEVARD CHARRETTE

ALBUQUERQUE, NEW MEXICO

Of the many ideas discussed this morning, which ones seem the most exciting to you?

- * slowing traffic, esp south of I-40.
- * creating safety, desirability to go under I 40 as a pedestrian or bicycle ride.
- * village idea to go north from Old Town ^{to create a sense} of older ABQ & ^{numerous destination} ^{prints.}

Do you have any additional ideas, not discussed today, that you would like the planning team to explore?

- * roundabouts as you go north from Old Town.
- walkability - canopied sidewalks ^{* 200 street} & parking.
- easy, safe bicycle access to a regional media trail & safe bicycle routes on Rio Grande

What character should Rio Grande Boulevard have in the future?

- series of villages & neighborhood scale shops

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village character is great, pedestrian friendly is great, shade trees ~~are~~ are great, people friendly is great, but Rio Grand Blvd is no longer (if it ever was except in idealized memory) a village. It's a traffic corridor / make the best best of it

Do you have any additional ideas, not discussed today, that you would like the planning team to explore?

slowing traffic will mitigate much of the noise problem,

What character should Rio Grande Boulevard have in the future?

must transition from semi-rural in north to high traffic freeway interchange in under three miles not an easy task, but worth the effort

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walkability + greenspace character of the ditch is almost totally dependant on the MRGCD. From their history/treatment they could not care less; see ditch along mother, and west side of Thomas Village

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ceasing Rio Grande as a traffic thruway, emphasizing the slow (slower) thru a series of little villages

bringing back green (freed) feel to R.G.

Pedestrian Safety + aesthetic walking

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parking for those coming R.G. to use ditch paths along river. Some neighborhoods have excluded all parking, some suffer from outsiders lining their streets with parked cars. This is not strictly a R.G. problem, but perhaps some access from R.G. that encompasses parking... or accesses plural.

What character should Rio Grande Boulevard have in the future?

a slower ride thru neighborhoods as it is further north

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overhead wires - ugly
if the sky fell, it would never reach the ground -
would be caught in the wires

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Of the many ideas discussed this morning, which ones seem the most exciting to you?

- 1) Narrowing Rio Grande north of Indian School to 2 lanes with wide sidewalks, planters & bike lanes
- 2) Roundabout at Candelaria
- 3) Carefully-managed, pedestrian-friendly commercial development at village centers only: Griegos, Matthew, Indian School south to Old Town
- 4) Intense pedestrian-friendly commercial development south of freeway
- 5) Improvements to freeway intersection.

Do you have any additional ideas, not discussed today, that you would like the planning team to explore?

What character should Rio Grande Boulevard have in the future?

Rural, people-centric, elastic

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Of the many ideas discussed this morning, which ones seem the most exciting to you?

- * Rio Grande
 - 2 lanes from Indian School to Main Street
 - side walk that accommodate 4 lanes being a dog
 - trees & shade on bike/side walk.
 - Safety to traffic round around.

Do you have any additional ideas, not discussed today, that you would like the planning team to explore?

- Safe road to school by using ditches
- Preserving Agriculture zoning
- No increasing commercial zoning
- Public transportation small bus

What character should Rio Grande Boulevard have in the future?

- * Agricultural, Rural, pedestrian friendly
- * Child & friendly
Senior

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- Incorporate local resources UNM - Planning & Arch.
- Zoning.

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Grocery store of good size located at Rg & I 40, with other good commercial services and plenty of parking and convenient access there.

Do you have any additional ideas, not discussed today, that you would like the planning team to explore?

Be realistic about allowing private development to occur naturally, without trying to over-regulate it.

What character should Rio Grande Boulevard have in the future?

Lots of good vehicular access from Candelaria to Mountain, and lots of good services and commercial conveniences in that area.

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Don't violate or interfere with private property rights. Encourage good development. Don't scare off developers.

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more of a village concept
pedestrian friendly / bike friendly
OT being more of a destination
getting a great grocery
but all still w/ a rural feel

Do you have any additional ideas, not discussed today, that you would like the planning team to explore?

What character should Rio Grande Boulevard have in the future?

feeling more linked from central to Los Ranchos
vibrant yet rural
friendly yet thriving businesses

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Of the many ideas discussed this morning, which ones seem the most exciting to you?

- Creating Rio Grande as a premier Albuquerque destination
- Incorporating "Mom & Pop" Retail.
- Creating safe pedestrian zones

Do you have any additional ideas, not discussed today, that you would like the planning team to explore?

• Developing common spaces for neighbors & visitors to interact.

What character should Rio Grande Boulevard have in the future?

The boulevard that defines Albuquerque. The street that visitors from out of town tell their friends they must see when going to Albuquerque.

(i.e. Chicago's - State or Michigan Ave.

Denver: 16th street San Antonio: River walk. etc.)

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Implementation concepts would be helpful.

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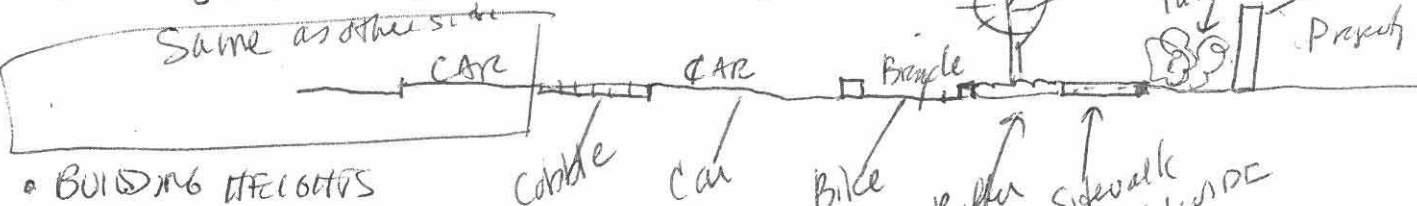
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Carolyn Siegel
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Of the many ideas discussed this morning, which ones seem the most ^{important} exciting to you?

Walkability: Pedestrian friendly Rio Grande Blvd. -
Add a buffer zone (landscaped: trees that do not interfere with poles/wires above) Native vegetation + Bicycle improvements

Do you have any additional ideas, not discussed today, that you would like the planning team to explore?

- Public gathering spaces at ALL commercial centers (without purchasing goods)
 - Bus pullouts on Rio Grande
 - Building + Landscape wall distance from walls to properties
- 
- BUILDING HEIGHTS

What character should Rio Grande Boulevard have in the future?

Pedestrian friendly; slow traffic; village "centers" visible with public gathering spots. Spots of Agricultural - leased or subsidized not as "reminiscent" but as real, useful food supplies w/ Summer/seasonal food stands.

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★ Think about the future + "mass" transportation issues:
• How will the street accommodate "mini-vans" and other unthought-of modes to shuttle people to other transit sites

★ Preserve the view corridor of the mountains.

★ Public Park/Gathering spaces

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Of the many ideas discussed this morning, which ones seem the most exciting to you?

Using a Sawmill Community Land Trust as a model to ~~Recreate~~ Redevelop the open space North of I-40 into a Grocery + Mixed income housing + Neighborhood based commercial! Wow! Nice! * including * ↓

Do you have any additional ideas, not discussed today, that you would like the planning team to explore?

- ① Small business Loans + Tax Incentives **MUST** be included in any redevelopment plan
- ② Targeted residential LOAN PROGRAMS for "Non Conforming" housing types **MUST** also be available for purchasers of new mixed use housing in Taos-style development.

What character should Rio Grande Boulevard have in the future?

Village, "urban/rural" ... A high density with reserved/dedicated/protected open space, even agriculture adjacent.

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* including a Multi-use (No car) underpass trail from SAWMILL into the new Los Pinos Village + Grocery Complex.

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Of the many ideas discussed this morning, which ones seem the most exciting to you?

Trying to turn Rio Grande back to its
rural roots - slowing traffic and
including more open space and more
commercial development. More development
like the commercial development. More development
will just increase traffic. Prefer the
rural feeling.

Do you have any additional ideas, not discussed today, that you would like the planning team to explore?

Living between I-40 & Mountain, the strain
of the traffic makes it extremely difficult
for the west side of the street. Residents
want to turn north. Rio Grande especially if you
want to turn north. We are dependent on
the turn lane in the center of the street
as the only way to make the transition from
the west to north.

What character should Rio Grande Boulevard have in the future?

Please do not put
medians between the lanes as that will
make it impossible to get out of our
area -

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underground utilities especially between
I-40 and Old Town would really
improve appearances - Changing color
or texture of street exterior Old Town
would make a good transition -

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^{Commercial} "Strip" zoning between I-40 & Indian School = (130' to 150' deep) applied along RGB frontage in 1957 when boulevard was widened, regardless of lot lines. This resulted in dual-zoned lots with C-1 or C-2 in front, with odd-shaped R-1/R-2/or RA-2 pieces in back, often with no street access.

What character should Rio Grande Boulevard have in the future?

For the I-40 to Indian School portion, there has been some nice office development. The still undeveloped ~~are lots~~ or under-developed lots need city help & encouragement with zoning issues to encourage more nice development, maybe some neighborhood retail ^{and dining} instead of just ~~offices~~.

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Strongly oppose ~~traffic~~ roundabout at Rio Grande/Indian School. As property owner ~~at~~ that intersection, am not willing to lose property. Please respect property rights. There are other ways to deal with traffic issues at that intersection without a roundabout.

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Concerned that Indian School/Rio Grande intersection has too much traffic for a roundabout.

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Of the many ideas discussed this morning, which ones seem the most exciting to you?

Improving pedestrian & driver safety through traffic circles, widening of sidewalks, better pedestrian crossings.
Clustering of town/village centers. Business zoning.

Do you have any additional ideas, not discussed today, that you would like the planning team to explore?

Incorporate businesses in planning. Give more incentives for small businesses.

What character should Rio Grande Boulevard have in the future?

Rural, shaded, wide sidewalks, pedestrian biker friendly.

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Of the many ideas discussed this morning, which ones seem the most exciting to you?

Area for the people not the cars driving through

Do you have any additional ideas, not discussed today, that you would like the planning team to explore?

Single issue: Many equestrians cross Rio Grande at Headingly, and the equestrian community worked many years ago to get a refuge for horses, pedestrians and bicyclists in the median and on both sides. Please continue to preserve this.

What character should Rio Grande Boulevard have in the future?

As rural & quiet as possible. Preserve ditch trails, they are a priceless resource.

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Chose the North Valley when we arrived in 1968. We were right!

Follow the North Valley Area Plan as much as possible.

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Of the many ideas discussed this morning, which ones seem the most exciting to you?

The development of a village center at Matthew and the Co-op — with facilities including cafés, and drop-in commercial establishments as well as some mixed-use with multiverse housing

Do you have any additional ideas, not discussed today, that you would like the planning team to explore?

Look at the area of the intersection of Central and Rio Grande — The 2 most important streets in Abq's history and the most important crossing in Old Town — But today it is just a prefabricated intersection, cluttered with signs, strip mall parking etc.

What character should Rio Grande Boulevard have in the future?

It should become an icon for Albuquerque — reflecting the founding of the city and smaller villages along the river — a sort of rue d'Orléans of Albuquerque!

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Of the many ideas discussed this morning, which ones seem the most exciting to you?

- Trees, ^{shade} wider park strips / center median for pedo/bike slowing traffic w/ narrower lanes & roundabouts.
- Real old town identity for segment south of freeway
- Character character character, ^{feature} nodes of interest along the way - segments w/ diff. characters
- ^{parallel} the ~~Back~~ trail to east using ditches & laterals for pedo, horses, bikes linking to RG & rivers.

Do you have any additional ideas, not discussed today, that you would like the planning team to explore?

- Linkage to larger plans for city mass transit
- Need better transit in north valley linking to cross city.
- Valley High - encourage students walking / biking
Kidz who drive pay, those who don't getting rebate \$ to get culture to change. Do all-hands charrette w/ students to get ideas. Smaller parking areas converted to better uses.

What character should Rio Grande Boulevard have in the future?

- String of ^{historic} villages, scaled for level of traffic w/ character, people focused
- segments tapering moving north
- Rural eclectic, people friendly
- Fun and engaging place to travel - the journey is the invite slowness.

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Consider that RG & 4th are still going to be major ^{barrier} ~~block~~ block. Yet can keep LOS by slowing traffic & allowing ~~earlier~~ vehicles to enter the flow. Volume can still "cope" w/ volume.

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- Careful not to divert traffic onto Grigios without addressing speed control & character of that street.

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Of the many ideas discussed this morning, which ones seem the most exciting to you?

- ① I really liked the idea of identifying areas by village restoring village flavor. Then defining each village with different or slightly different vegetation, including, perhaps, references to historical things
- ② I like traffic circle @ Cardenas, Math, Chirigos

Do you have any additional ideas, not discussed today, that you would like the planning team to explore?

Pocket parking ^{as well as} ~~instead of~~ pocket park

What character should Rio Grande Boulevard have in the future?

Defining the origins and respecting the history of ADO.

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Favor residents rather than commuters, the ones who live here rather than those going through.

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Of the many ideas discussed this morning, which ones seem the most exciting to you?

Rio grande not a thoroughfare —
make it scenic not a
drag strip — enjoy the ride —
not a race to a destination —
people friendly not car friendly

Do you have any additional ideas, not discussed today, that you would like the planning team to explore?

acquiring of open space — how?
"local improvement district"?
how to afford buying the
power lines?? location could be
answer??

What character should Rio Grande Boulevard have in the future?

"string of pearls"
mix destinations of various characters
that are pleasantly connected.

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How can ^{we generate} money come to
implement any of these great
ideas?

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- 2 lane
- no commercial N of Mott

Do you have any additional ideas, not discussed today, that you would like the planning team to explore?

No cell phones
walking - Connections to ditches even through peoples properties
Trucks to la Montanita
Farmers market between ~~Mont I~~ School + Montano
No motor cycles

What character should Rio Grande Boulevard have in the future?

Rural
Hispanic
Economically mixed

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Savva did a great job keeping
Scott from talking too much +
too negatively.

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Of the many ideas discussed this morning, which ones seem the most exciting to you?

- "Anchor" the area of I-40 & Rio Grande with supermarket, other small retail & residential possibilities - Add small plaza, create "village" as entrance to Rio Grande Corridor.
- Round about at Rio Grande & Candelaria - yes.

Do you have any additional ideas, not discussed today, that you would like the planning team to explore?

What character should Rio Grande Boulevard have in the future?

- Slower, transition to rural, historic character to the north.
- Mix of residential, commercial
- Better "streetscaping" - trees, appropriate plantings, public art
- More walkable - safer crossings, marked for pedestrians (and bicycle safety!) Even separated some from traffic lanes

Please write any additional comments (*continue on back if needed*)

THANK YOU for all this work - I hope + pray
at least some of those great ideas get implemented in my lifetime!

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Of the many ideas discussed this morning, which ones seem the most exciting to you?

Re-establishment of the village history (Los Candelarias, Los Duranes, Los Griegos, etc.) along Rio Grande Blvd. Focusing on the history of each, reducing traffic as it goes north; reducing speed.

Do you have any additional ideas, not discussed today, that you would like the planning team to explore?

Use of ditches as pedestrian/equestrian byways was touched upon, but development of paths, trees, routes, — landscaping reflective of traditional times, but w/ enhancements, such as green space picnic areas, restrooms, etc.

What character should Rio Grande Boulevard have in the future?

A character reflective of its history — more agrarian, less speed, landscape & bldgs. reflecting historical values.

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Of the many ideas discussed this morning, which ones seem the most exciting to you?

- creation of a "village" between I-40 + Indian School Rd.
make it mixed-use in nature w/ shade - street trees + on street parking. cobble the street + bury utilities underground.
- make a much more walkable corridor with lots of shade.
- slow down traffic with on street parking + roundabouts.
- ditch bank connectivity with all other areas to encourage walking.

Do you have any additional ideas, not discussed today, that you would like the planning team to explore?

- mix the plant material palettes to match the character of the valley → shade trees (not xerisc plants!)
- get rid of the bright LED light speed signs. They are annoying + way too bright at night.
- encourage infill development at parking lot locations.
- provide more community green space + linear ditch bank type parks.

What character should Rio Grande Boulevard have in the future?

- village-like character with much higher density to the street instead of parking lot.
- architectural variety + mix of uses w/ resid. + office over retail.
- low garden walls + high canopy plantings.
- go down to 2 lanes north of Indian School.
- allow for more density at Floral + RGB to reinforce village character.

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- constrict corridor + defining edges
- slow down traffic > it has gotten completely out of control.
- bury utilities/lines > it is junky looking.
- street trees along entire corridor. / lower trees at village between I-40 + Indian School + high canopy shade trees at residential.
- larger side walks > safer sidewalks

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- dress up streetscape consistency @ Old Town + provide shade for pedestrians.

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Narrowing Rio Grande to 2 lanes & lowering speed limit
North of Indian School
Green Space

Do you have any additional ideas, not discussed today, that you would like the planning team to explore?

Connecting East & West Sides
Better & Safer.
Height limitation on Development

What character should Rio Grande Boulevard have in the future?

Walkable, bikeable, Ped Friendly, Rural north
of Indian School & Mixed Use South of
Indian School. Maintain green spaces

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- Preserve ditch systems.
- Limit height of Commercial
- Limit light pollution
- Safety

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Of the many ideas discussed this morning, which ones seem the most exciting to you?

Series of round about
2 lanes north of Indian School
green spaces - preserve ditches

Do you have any additional ideas, not discussed today, that you would like the planning team to explore?

maintenance needs of improvements
local improvement district

What character should Rio Grande Boulevard have in the future?

pedestrian/cycling small town feel - linking
areas

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bury electrical cables

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Of the many ideas discussed this morning, which ones seem the most exciting to you?

*Fewer traffic lanes. Pedestrian walkways
Medians. Bike lanes off traffic lanes.
Modest commercial expansion with
mixed use structures
Eliminate heavy... high speed traffic!*

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What character should Rio Grande Boulevard have in the future?

*Casual pedestrian atmosphere
with appropriate landscaping*

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Of the many ideas discussed this morning, which ones seem the most exciting to you?

Reducing R.G. To 2 lanes north of Indian School $\frac{1}{2}$

Do you have any additional ideas, not discussed today, that you would like the planning team to explore?

Can we reduce the number of streets turning onto R.G.?

What character should Rio Grande Boulevard have in the future?

Softer, pleasant

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- Purchase of open space
- Previous paving
- reducing Heat island effect
- Enforce non-conforming use (ZONING)

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Of the many ideas discussed this morning, which ones seem the most exciting to you?

- ① NARROW Rio Grande Blvd North of Indian School to 2 lanes.
- ② Eat Roundabout at key intersections esp. Conde la Vie.
- ③ Incorporate Griegos Drain for bike access to Old town.

Do you have any additional ideas, not discussed today, that you would like the planning team to explore?

Make Griegos Drain a dual use bike trail, horse & ped.
that parallels Rio Grande.

What character should Rio Grande Boulevard have in the future?

Softer, slower, narrower, ~~safer~~ greener with bike & pedestrian walkways.

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Rumble strip down middle
Going to 2 lanes.

Do you have any additional ideas, not discussed today, that you would like the planning team to explore?

Campbell Rd intersection - if have
rumble ~~strip~~ median - the islands
would definitely be leveled. The "islands"
need to be leveled anyway - they are
useless and an experiment of something
What character should Rio Grande Boulevard have in the future? That works, maybe,
somewhere else

Quiet, rural

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Need recycling bins
Close to garbage bins, when
know that you are making plastic or

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aluminum
available
to participants

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Of the many ideas discussed this morning, which ones seem the most exciting to you?

- ① 2 lanes north of Indian School
- ② more trees + preserved open space
- ③ separate sidewalk from curb + more pedestrians!
- ④ Bury power lines

Do you have any additional ideas, not discussed today, that you would like the planning team to explore?

What character should Rio Grande Boulevard have in the future?

- Walkable everywhere/safe to cross + walk along
- Urbanish south of Indian School, but ruralish north.

Please write any additional comments (continue on back if needed)

- No bus bays → They slow the buses too much. Buses at stops can use bike lane, like along 12th Street (or Rio Grande today).

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ALBUQUERQUE, NEW MEXICO

Of the many ideas discussed this morning, which ones seem the most exciting to you?

2 lanes from Indian School North

Do you have any additional ideas, not discussed today, that you would like the planning team to explore?

more consideration of transit issues

What character should Rio Grande Boulevard have in the future?

Hang on to as much rural as possible

Please write any additional comments (*continue on back if needed*)

A good mix of people + ideas. Very productive.

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RIO GRANDE TO (2) LANES FROM
INDIAN SCHOOL TO GRIGOS.

Do you have any additional ideas, not discussed today, that you would like the planning team to explore?

What character should Rio Grande Boulevard have in the future?

RURAL, SLOWER, PEOPLE FRIENDLY

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Bike/Pedestrian networks North-South Rio Grande Blvd to Downtown/Central. Frontage road to/parallel to I-40. Reducing/slowing traffic on Rio Grande. Maintaining identity while enhancing and developing assets and reconnecting existing activity nodes to create a destination.

Do you have any additional ideas, not discussed today, that you would like the planning team to explore?

Exploration of existing land uses to generate an inventory of the area to protect ~~uses~~ that enhance the collective ideas of residents and to generate guidelines (zoning laws) for future development from potential outside sources.

What character should Rio Grande Boulevard have in the future?

- An eclectic and dynamic destination
- The only place in Albuquerque that does not give its back to the Rio Grande River.
- A catalyst for future reference.

Please write any additional comments (continue on back if needed)

Rio Grande Blvd. is the spine that holds many communities⁺ ties together. It's character changes as you go up + down. What works in one area may not work on another. The idea behind a renovation/enhancement for the Rio Grande corridor should respect

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these ~~individual~~ idiosyncracies while finding a common thread that can bind the existing communities beyond physical proximity. We need to develop ideas that revolve around a desired lifestyle as a goal, not an catalog of parts.
Lifestyle = a holistic system → components that create a whole.