

Welcome to the Community Workshop on the Silver City Downtown Action Plan

Friday, March 26 6 pm to 8 pm at the 6th Street Elementary School

Saturday, March 27 9 am to 7 pm at the Silco Theater

WORKSHOP SCHEDULE

Friday- 6th Street Elementary School

6 – 8 pm Community discussion on downtown

Presentations by planning team members on what we've learned about the downtown and feedback from community if we have it right, what is needed and what are your issues.

- What's a "Downtown Action Plan"
- Plan boundaries/historic districts/zoning/land use
- Demographics and economics highlights
- Transportation/traffic/parking
- Opportunity sites (city property, empty buildings, vacant land)

Saturday- Silco Theater

9:00 am Welcome back

9:30- 11:30 Silver City Downtown Vision: What Makes Great Downtowns/Arts and Cultural Districts

Presentation and discussion on inspirational designs of downtowns in other communities.

- *Streets/Public Places/Gateways/Greenways/Traffic calming/Wayfinding*
- *Arts and Cultural Districts/Heritage Tourism/Business Retention*
- *Historic Preservation/Adaptive Reuse of buildings*

11:30-2:00 pm Community Planning Groups with Planning Team/Committee members as facilitators.

Topics each group may want to consider in the downtown include:

- Attracting new businesses and keeping existing ones
- Facades/Building styles/preservation and restoration
- Adaptive reuse of buildings for civic/retail/office/residential uses
- Gateways and entries
- Squares, Plazas and public spaces
- Pedestrian-friendly streets, pathways and connections
- Arts, entertainment, heritage tourism
- Streets and parking
- Landscaping and Greenways

Lunch and entertainment is on-going during this time.

2:00 4:00 pm Community Planning Groups present their plans/ideas/projects- each group selects their best ideas to present to the community, concluding with a synthesis/agreement session on common ideas/priorities.

4:00 pm Tour of the Murray Hotel First Floor and Ballroom

Planning Team closes the room to public and prepares community presentation.

7:00 pm Planning Team Presentation on "The Best Ideas for Silver City Downtown" – Planning Team presents concepts and designs based on community's ideas.

7:30 pm Community input and closing

Follow the Plan development on www.downtownsilvercity.com