

Citizen Suggestion List

Suggestion	Date When it Will Go to Council	Did Council Move the Suggestion Forward?	If no, why not?	Status/Other progress report information
Construct an inline skating rink to be constructed within the boundaries of the Posse Grounds Park.	2014	No	Council determined land and financial resources were not available at this time.	none
Reduce height of continuous roadway lighting on 89A.	2014	No	Council noted that ADOT determined the height and the City does not have control over this.	none
Install live webcams along SR 179 so that citizens and tourists can observe traffic in real-time allowing them to anticipate extra time needed for holiday other traffic delays.	2014	possibly	This possibility is being looked into	
Beautify Sedona along 89A with things like planting trees on both sides of 89A in west Sedona to create shade along the walkways.	2014	yes	Council decided to add this to their priority list for FY2016.	
Plant a community garden in Sedona.	2014	no	Council preferred the community take the lead on this suggestion.	This suggestion has been passed along to the work group who are participating in the master planning process with the old Ranger Station.

Create a work group on sustainable trails within the City limits including maintenance and planning. This request comes from the U.S.

2014

no Council decided at this time, a group that was looking at trails out by the cultural park was

Forest Service.			fulfilling this role and did not put it on their priority list.
Ban plastic bags for all city businesses.	2014	No, however...	A work group was looking into initial steps of this idea when a state mandate banned bag bans. At this time, because of the mandate, this suggestion is on hold.
Keep the Sedona Community Pool open year round. Five individuals requested this item.	2014	No, however...	Council did not pursue the suggestion to keep the pool open by adding a removable top, because they learned that the Swordfish would be keeping the pool open through the winter and memberships could be purchased through the Master's swim program.
Pave Schnebly Hill Road	2014	no, however...	Council didn't move on this suggestion however, they put a transit study on the top of their priority list for FY 16. This will suggest what things need to be done to alleviate traffic issues.
Mandate a City code that all City buildings and large commercial projects must use waterless urinals	2014	not at this time	Council didn't move immediately on this suggestion, however, they would like to discuss this topic when the updating of the Land Development Code is

carried out in FY16.

Implement a "Street Sign Friendly" policy that sets a tone of "community pride" in addition to providing directional information. For instance all street signs would say "City of Sedona." Other signs would say "Thank You for Visiting the City of Sedona" or "Welcome to Sedona."

2014

Yes Council put this on their priority list to be carried out in FY 16.

Turn the uptown parking lot into the "Activities Parking Lot." An activity vendor would use it to pick up and drop off visitors who are looking to participate in activities and in and around Sedona. Examples of activities would be hot air balloon rides, horseback riding, jeep trips, or for the hikers, dropping them at trail heads. This could also be used by events managers to pick up those who will be attending their event. This lot could be available for those interested in walking to shopping or to a local restaurant. Visitors staying in hotels would have two choices: they could either drive to the "Activities Parking Lot," or be picked up by the activity or event vendor.

2014

No, however... This could be considered as part of the multimodal traffic study and therefore, was not added as a Council priority.

Start a Sedona Circular Bus where visitors can take a bus to various destinations. It would run every 30 minutes from Dry Creek hotels to Uptown, then to Tlaquepaque, and on to Hozho and Hillside. This would run seven days a week in high season and on weekends in low season. It would embody the "Walk Sedona, Leave Your Car Behind" campaign.

2014

No This could be considered as part of the multimodal traffic study and therefore, was not added as a Council priority.

Create a Sedona Art Museum and Artist Working Studios. It's been suggested to locate this at the Western Gateway area. The submitter of this idea said: "There is precious little opportunity for artists to display their work and engage the public with their process as there is in many communities with working artist studios.

2014 Yes, however, with changed language. This was added as a Council priority with revised verbiage, which now reads: Continue to work with the Arts community to support the creation of space where artists can display their work and actively engage the public (museum/working artist studios).

Develop a central plaza with greenery. This would include trees, grass, water, music, coffee tables, and areas to walk.

2014 This is already on Council's priority list. This is already included under the central gathering place, which is a Council priority.

<p>Focus on sustainability. The submitter of this idea said: "Since Sedona is so dependent on fossil fuels for tourism, food, and supplies, we need to envision how to be more self-reliant, and make more pedestrian and bike trails, and pedestrian-friendly mixed use developments. We also need to encourage local food growing, solar, water catchment and conservation, plastic and waste reduction, recycling, etc."</p>	<p>2014</p>	<p>No, however... This was not added as a Council priority as it is being addressed by the Green Team.</p>
<p>Cater more to the forty-something by creating venues for younger generations.</p>	<p>2014</p>	<p>No This was not added as a Council priority but may be addressed under the community gathering place.</p>
<p>Cater more to the locals by creating gathering places for locals. Suggestions include shaded spots with benches and tables to play checkers.</p>	<p>2014</p>	<p>No, however... This was not added as a Council priority but may be addressed under the community gathering place.</p>
<p>Create more visual cohesion in the community with a unified architectural plan.</p>	<p>2014</p>	<p>no, however... This was not added as a Council priority but could be considered with the Land Development Code revisions.</p>
<p>Build a new regional airport and repurpose the mesa for use by all citizens and visitors alike.</p>	<p>2014</p>	<p>no This was not something Council thought should be pursued</p>
<p>Support more cultural events financially and make it top priority to better public infrastructure by creating affordable indoor and outdoor venues.</p>	<p>2014</p>	<p>no This was not something Council thought should be pursued</p>

Create more cultural events by studying places like Tanglewood in Lenox, Mass or The Berkshires.	2014	no This was not something Council thought should be pursued
Create a moveable feast among the restaurants once a month to introduce the community to the different restaurants and what they have to offer.	2014	no This was not something Council thought should be pursued
Help reintroduce the beaver habitat by working through Arizona Game and Fish.	2014	No, however... This was not something Council though should be pursued. The Forest Service said this effort has been made and beavers are inhabiting Oak Creek.
Enter into an agreement between the City of Sedona and the Sedona Community Food Bank for the Sedona Teen Center building to become the food bank's operation and storage facility.	2014	No This was not something Council thought should be pursued.
Allow placing banners across the highway.	2014	No This was not something Council thought should be pursued because they didn't see a consensus from the community on supporting this.
Make youth issues, social services issues related to youth, etc. a priority to determine what the City's role in a youth program should be.	2014	no, however... This is already underway by staff and a work group.

Not confine community events solely to the Uptown area. We should create event locations in West Sedona as this will help spread out the traffic rather than it being focused in one area.

2014

No This was not something Council thought should be pursued.

Take a focused look at traffic issues.

2014

No This is already included as a Council priority.

Track and measure results and items in the Citizen Engagement Program to create transparency along with recognition for those programs and elements that contribute to the success of CEP. This would be done by outlining units of measure for different programs and elements in the Citizen Engagement Program.

2014

No This is already being handled by staff.

Create a team of citizens that assist in promoting suggestions and ideas, while outlining the benefits of a better understanding, costs, recognition, and measurements of results.

2014

No This was something Council thought should be pursued because they liked the existing system for suggestions.

Make the Brewer Road property a "Sedona event center" for weddings and events

2014

no, however... This is already underway as part of the Ranger Station Master Plan Work Group planning effort for the property.

Explore what it would take to enlarge the city and include the Village of Oak Creek, upper and lower Red Rock Loop Roads, and Sedona Shadows in the City tax base

2015

no This was not something Council thought should be pursued.

Join the Little Free Library Movement

2015

no This was not something Council thought should be pursued and should go through the library.

Enhancing trail connectivity and access. Possible use of Parks Development Impact Fees for land acquisition for this purpose (ex. Back O' Beyond parking issues)

2015

no, however... This was not something Council thought should be pursued, but arranging for more parking at Back O' Beyond is something staff is working on with residents off Back O' Beyond in 2015.

Revisit the acquisition and development of the Oak Creek Preserve Property in Uptown as a Creekside Park

2015

no, however This was not something Council thought should be pursued mainly for financial reasons and whether or not the land is still for sale, but the possibility of a creek walk could be part of the Schnebly Hill CFA planning effort, which will take place in July 2015.

Support the development of a new Arts Forum because it's been 10 years since the last one, to shape the views of the arts community and help the Community Plan move forward.

3/24/2015 and 9/9/15

No Council did not think this was something to move forward because the Arts and Culture Coordinator recently prepared a citywide Cultural and Arts Plan to develop specific policies, programs, and actions for the continued growth and development of Sedona's cultural and arts heritage

Form a citizen's committee to look into reducing sewer fees. 3/24/2015 and 9/9/15

No This was not something Council wanted to move forward because the sewer rates were set appropriately when the study was completed two years ago. The study predicted rates for five years out.

Form a citizens committee to explore how the city can take over airport mesa from the county. 3/24/2015 and 9/9/15

No Council did not support moving this suggestion forward.

Form a citizens committee to explore how to move the airport off of airport mesa and put it in the area between Sedona and Cottonwood. 3/24/2015 and 9/9/15

No Council did not support moving this suggestion forward.

Purchase the property on 401 Jordan Road, where Valley National Bank was many years ago, which is up for sale for \$1.22 million. It would make a great parking lot. Trees could be planted at the back along Van Deren to block it off from the homes opposite. The submitter volunteered to do a survey in Uptown and see what the feedback might be. 3/24/2015 and 9/9/15

No The Council did not support moving this forward because the transit study will be looking at park and ride type facilities. Purchasing parking now may be premature with the study and its recommendations being so soon. This suggestion will be given to the Uptown Parking Advisory Group so they are aware of it.

<p>Fix up the barn at the old Ranger Station for special events and historical information. It would increase city revenue (rent) and create jobs without the city feeling that they are competing with other businesses.</p>	<p>3/24/2015 and 9/9/15</p>	<p>No, however... This topic is being addressed in the Ranger Station Master Plan Work Group.</p>	<p>Will be brought back to City Council during their annual priority setting meeting to decide if it will be placed on their list of things to be done in FY 17</p>
<p>Hold a public hearing for the community to hear from experts about contrails.</p>	<p>3/24/2015 and 9/9/15</p>	<p>No With a past City Council meeting from 2011 on chemtrails, including a presentation from ADEQ, as background, City Council did not support moving this forward.</p>	
<p>Develop a community transit system so that we can get more cars off the road.</p>	<p>3/24/2015 and 9/9/15</p>	<p>No, however... Council did not support moving this forward because this will be addressed in the transit study that will be underway soon.</p>	
<p>Facilitate an initiative to develop community gardens. The City could lead the way into providing locally grown, healthy food for residents, businesses, and schools.</p>	<p>3/24/2015 and 9/9/15</p>	<p>No, however... Council did not move this forward however, this topic is being addressed in the Ranger Station Master Plan Work Group.</p>	
<p>Bring the city back to the downtown. This would include building a parking structure to accommodate future traffic and have a shuttle system that eliminates the need for visitors and community vehicular traffic to get around the historic business core.</p>	<p>3/24/2015 and 9/9/15</p>	<p>No Council did not move this forward however the traffic study will look at these types of issues.</p>	

Hand out "Thank You" tickets, rewarding visiting drivers in Uptown, for doing good deeds like stopping for people in crosswalks.

3/24/2015 and 9/9/15

No Council did not move this forward.

Have the City exercise its power of eminent domain and condemn the property at 100 Racquet Rd. in order to purchase it and turn it into a city park.

8/11/2015 and 9/9/15

No Council had concerns with this suggestion, mainly being the property is in a private neighborhood.

Place javalina crossing signs around town to alert people to the wildlife crossing areas in town.

8/11/15 and 9/9/15

No Council did not want to be the lead on this, and instead encouraged the resident who suggested this to take the lead on this and work with the City on making this a reality.

Create a green junk yard where people can take unwanted things and also drop unwanted things off instead of using Cottonwood's dump.

8/11/2015 and 9/9/15

No Council did not move this forward however trash and recycling services will be discussed over the next year as the City considers franchising trash and recycling for residents.

Improve non-auto mobility like bike lanes and walking lanes to help with the traffic issue.

8/11/2015 and 9/9/15

no, however Council didn't pursue this at this time, because the traffic study will also be a comprehensive look at bikability and walkability.

Be the lead on working with the community to bring unique music festivals to compliment the diversity of the residents and visitors.

8/11/2015 and 9/9/15

no

City Council didn't think that this is a city role, however they encourage others in the community to pursue this.

The City should implement a youth commission.

8/11/2015 and 9/9/15 no

City Council welcomed the opportunity is there was interest from the youth, however, at this time, and after the Youth Programs Work Group, they did not move this forward.

Improve bike safety around Sedona by coloring the bike lane and putting a blurb in the RRN each week or month about who has the right of way; that cyclists will use the left turn lane for left turns, pay attention to pedestrians and cyclists; the laws and ordinances regarding this, etc. Also, more signage on the roads and adding a rumble strip on the road to let drivers know they've crossed into the bicycle lane would help.

8/11/2015 and 9/9/15

This will be brought back to Council before their annual priority setting meeting in December 2015.

Council voted they would like to hear about this idea during their priority setting meeting to weigh it against all the other priorities they have.

Dec-15