



BICYCLE/PEDESTRIAN ADVISORY COMMITTEE MINUTES

7:00 p.m., Wednesday November 16, 2005
Hillview Community Center-Room 2
97 Hillview Avenue, Los Altos, California 94022

CALL TO ORDER

Roll Call

Attending: Curt Riffle (Chairperson), Scott Chan, Ed Coble, Bill Crook, Carl Hagenmaier, Henry Pastorelli and Randy Rhody (plus Larry Lind)

Absent: none

Public attendees: LaNae Avra, Aaron Grossman, Ross Heitkamp

Discussion

1. Minutes of October 19, 2005 were approved.
2. Stevens Creek Trail Update (All)

Randy presented a proposed timeline for getting the feasibility study approved. Bill cautioned that the city has no real commitment to the study, and that the extra \$1.6M required for the county fire protection will put the budget slot at risk. Discussion about whether the VTA funds “expire” in September, 2006. Conclusion is that there is no solid answer but probably the funds don’t go away.

Mountain View will break ground to go under El Camino this year, a 12-18 month project. Second stretch to planned overpass at Sleeper Avenue. Third part over creek twice to MVHS. Estimated all the way to MVHS 2010–2012. Terminates at Bryant (at a vacant lot). Mountain View experience 1 or 2 years to plan and 1 or 2 years to implement. Last stretch to MVHS 2 years study, 1 ½ year discussion. Mountain View Reach 4 study was \$250K (estimated, Nolte Associates).

Cupertino (easement across railroad) Rancho San Antonio to Stevens Creek Blvd. Stevens Creek Blvd to McClelland Ranch via Blackberry Farm. Second part starts 2007 (completion 2009?). The only connection to Los Altos would be through Rancho San Antonio to St Joseph Avenue. Cupertino had community involvement sessions for section from Stevens Creek Blvd to McClelland Ranch.

Marketing:

School access: Cupertino under 280 to Montclair. Montclair area + triangle to West Valley Elementary, Cupertino Middle School, Homestead High.

Traffic calming in South Los Altos

Funding sources: 49er foundation? Google, Los Altos Community Association, FSCT.

Summary:

Marketing:

- De-emphasize Stevens Creek Trail. Emphasize traffic calming, schools, “South Los Altos school corridor”, etc.
- Break it into two segments: each side of Fremont Av. (Randy and Henry will work on this idea and in the next meeting suggest an answer to “How to approach the council?”)

City funding is in jeopardy, consider alternative sources, so we should study alternative sources. (Curt will work on)

3. ADA updates and Presentation on bicycle path in front of LAHS on Almond Ave (Ed/All)
4. VTA BPAC Update (Scott)

Undo the expressway stuff is up in the air.

5. Update on the replace of Ed as the main pedestrian advocate on the BPAC (All)
Two people have expressed interest.
6. Update on the Adobe Creek Bridge replacement project (Larry)

7. Update on the BTP grant application (Larry)

Staff will apply to BTP for Miramonte bike path.

8. Update on the Web Page (All)

Jim Porter and Phil Rose are for the idea of our own web page. Randy actions: confirm that Randall Hull will host the site for awhile; should send link to Larry.

9. Update description of what we do and what we have done (Curt)
10. Update on the Pedestrian Master Plan (Carl, Curt)

11. Bike Plan update (All)

Update is done. Action is to get it council ready, via the Traffic Commission. Target acceptance at January TC meeting.

12. The next meeting will be Wednesday, January 18, 2006.

Agenda Items for next meeting:

- High school striping
- Stevens Creek Trail
- Adobe Creek Bridge
- BPAC Candidates

Off-agenda discussion: Traffic Commission was asked by City Council to recommend where to put 3 flashing pedestrian crosswalks on San Antonio Road. One will be at Pepper. Conference call with Mineta Transportation Institute will be Monday to brainstorm ideas on pedestrian safety. Suggestion to interview police officers, local residents and workers. Other ideas should be sent to Curt.

Carl Hagenmaier
Note-taker