



BICYCLE, PEDESTRIAN & TRAILS COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES

Pleasanton Senior Center
5353 Sunol Boulevard, Pleasanton, CA 94566
Monday, January 27, 2020

CALL TO ORDER

The Bicycle, Pedestrian and Trails Committee Meeting of January 27, 2020 was called to order at 6:45 p.m. by Chairperson Deckert. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

ROLL CALL

Committee Members Present: Chairperson Chuck Deckert, David Fisch, Mark Flynn, John Houston, Todd Nelson, Steve Nigro, Sharon Piekarski, Dan Schulenberg, and Ashwin Sriram.

Committee Members Absent: None.

Staff Present: Mike Tassano, City Traffic Engineer; Matt Nelson, Associate Traffic Engineer; Léa Frizzell, Recording Secretary.

Agency Representatives: None.

AGENDA AMENDMENTS

None.

MINUTES

1. Approve regular meeting minutes of December 9, 2019

Correction noted that Mr. Schulenberg was present at the December meeting. A motion was made by Mr. Nigro, seconded by Ms. Piekarski, to approve the December 9, 2019 meeting minutes as corrected. **The motion was approved.**

MEETING OPEN TO THE PUBLIC

2. Introductions/Awards/Recognitions/Presentations

Mr. Nelson introduced the new BPTC Chairperson, Chuck Deckert, representative from Parks and Recreation Commission.

3. Public comment from the audience regarding items not listed on the agenda

None.

MATTERS BEFORE THE COMMITTEE

4. Review the WLP Corridor Preferred Alternative Design Plan

Mr. Nelson explained that after further review of the four design alternatives at the December 2019 Bicycle, Pedestrian and Trails Committee meeting, a preferred alternative was selected for greater refinement and cost estimate. The preferred alternative 1A/1B consists of a low-cost and high-cost alternative that can provide a faster timeline for construction. The low-cost functioning as a phase one and high-cost improvements will be tied into CIP projects and/or constructed as funding becomes available. Mr. Nelson presented the design plans and asked the committee for their feedback.

Ms. Piekarski stated that this is the City's first corridor project with a huge opportunity to make an impact and that she wants to see done right. She had the following comments/suggestions:

- 1.) Removing the word "cost" and changing the design names A/B or Safe/Safer.
- 2.) Contests the two-way crossing at Santa Rita Road.
- 3.) Concerns with bike lane being too narrow at 5-feet wide in some sections.
- 4.) Box turn at Coronado to mitigate having to cross six lanes of traffic.
- 5.) Dorman has issues with crossing in the crosswalk.
- 6.) Bus stops without turnouts are missing from the plans.

Mr. Schulenberg asked about the barrier options.

Todd Nelson asked about the bike lane that goes over 680 and what would prevent him from hitting the curb or bollards. He also has concerns with getting to the left-turn lane on Coronado and also at southbound Willow. Staging box for left-turn at Muirwood is in the middle of the through lane.

Mr. Houston asked for clarification if staff is going to propose one or two options.

Mr. Tassano clarified that it will be presented to council as one plan and he will discuss the phasing options.

Mr. Houston asked if the signal detection will recognize cyclists that want to turn left in the traffic lane, not the protected turn of the cycle track.

Mr. Tassano replied that the signals will continue to detect cyclists.

Chairperson Deckert asked if the surrounding schools have seen with the corridor plan and if they had any comments.

Mr. Nelson replied that the schools have been notified and the survey was shared with parents and staff.

Chairperson Deckert opened the meeting for public comment at 7:39 p.m.

Susie Hufstater, Bike Eastbay – commented on concerns with two-way westbound bikeway. She stated that she wants to ensure staff is evaluating actual travel patterns that is reflective of how cyclists are really travelling. She noted breakouts or gaps should be added for advanced cyclists or drainage. She suggested the 5-foot bike lane not be built out permanently where there is a wide median, so in the future the bikeway could be widened if the size of the median is reduced. To conclude she stated that this is the most advanced bikeway concept she has seen in the Bay Area.

Bruce Daggy, Pleasanton Resident – commented on the 5-foot bike lane sections not being wide enough. He suggested making it at least 6-feet.

Anne Vincent, Pleasanton Resident – asked about using the Arroyo for the bikeway and separating the bike lane from parking near schools.

Mr. Tassano responded that the hurdle with the Arroyo would be that it is not convenient for surrounding businesses are located and it is not City property.

Chairperson Deckert closed public comment at 7:57 p.m.

Mr. Nelson presented some of the options being looked at for the protected bike lanes – railing, standard delineators, K-71 bollards, planters, wave delineators, and curb stops.

Mr. Tassano noted that a pilot section would likely go in first and staff could see how some of the options actually work before committing to the entire corridor.

Mr. Nelson thanked the committee for their comments and will keep them updated on when the plan will be presented to council.

COMMUNICATIONS

None.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

5. Updates from the Parks and Recreation Commission

Chairperson Deckert shared that an all abilities playground is being designed for the sports park.

6. Updates from Project/Program/Agency Representatives

None.

7. Other brief reports on any meetings, conferences, and/or seminars attended by the Committee members

None.

COMMITTEE COMMENTS

Todd Nelson asked to see the transportation corridor plan for downtown. He added that he asked a councilmember to add quarter mile markers to the corridor.

STAFF COMMENTS

None.

ADJOURNMENT

Chairperson Deckert adjourned the meeting at 8:18 p.m.