



MEETING MINUTES

CITY OF SANTA BARBARA

TRANSPORTATION AND CIRCULATION COMMITTEE (TCC)

David Gebhard Public Meeting Room
630 Garden Street, Santa Barbara, CA
Thursday, November 29, 2018, 5:30 PM

CALL TO ORDER: Chair Kathleen Rodriguez called the meeting to order at 5:32 PM.

ROLL CALL:

TCC MEMBERS

Kathleen Rodriguez	Present
Jennifer Cregar	Absent
E. Howard Green	Present
Susan Horne	Present
Hillary Blackerby	Present
David Hodges	Present
Ed France	Present

Attendees

CITY STAFF PRESENT :

Rob Dayton, Transportation Planning and Parking Manager
Jessica Grant, Supervising Transportation Planner
Derrick Bailey, Principal Traffic Engineer
Amanda Flesse, Principal Engineer
Mindy Jackson, Administrative Specialist

Rob Dayton announced that Committee Member Jennifer Cregar has moved from the Santa Barbara area and will no longer be serving on the Transportation and Circulation Committee.

CHANGES TO THE AGENDA: None

1. PUBLIC COMMENT AND ANNOUNCEMENTS:

None

CONSENT CALENDAR:

2. Approval of Minutes from the August 23, 2018, TCC Meeting, where a TCC quorum was present. (Location on video: 01:40)

MOTION: Approve the minutes from the August 23, 2018, meeting.

Ayes: 5 Noes: 0 Abstain: 0 Absent: 2 (Cregar and France)

REPORTS

4. **Draft Capital Improvement Program.** (Location on video: 02:12)

Rob Dayton announced that Jessica Grant is the City's new Supervising Transportation Planner. Jessica introduced Amanda Flesse, the Principal Engineer in Streets Engineering.

Jessica gave an overview of the Draft Capital Improvement Program Plan as well as the Draft Budget for the Streets Transportation Program. The first two years closely follow the budget. A list of the types of Capital needs was given, and funding sources and restrictions were named. The bulk of the program is maintaining the existing assets. Committee members received a packet of project descriptions. Jessica described the CIP Project Format for projects.

There are over eighty projects in Streets and Transportation. They are divided into the following Project Themes: Bike Facilities, Bridges, Corridor Improvements, Drainage, Intersection Improvements, Maintenance, Pedestrian Enhancements, Streetlights, and Traffic Signals.

There are thirteen new projects, one of which is the Santa Barbara Vision Zero 2030 Strategy.

The Streets Transportation Funding Sources include the Utility Users Tax (UUT), Measure A, and Grant Funds.

(Committee Member Ed France arrived for the meeting.)

Amanda Flesse spoke on the Measure C Program, which started in April 2018. It is for infrastructure maintenance and repair.

DISCUSSION: (Location on video: 22:58)

Ed France asked if there has ever been Office of Traffic Safety (OTS) grants for Capital or Infrastructure projects. Jessica Grant said that she is not aware of any.

Chair Rodriguez said that it is important to point out that the funds being received for streets projects is terrific. Ms. Flesse said that we will continue to see the construction around town for streets projects and the work will be year-round.

Susan Horne asked how the Vision Zero projects, in the priority corridors, were being integrated into the next five years. Jessica Grant stated that some of the Vision Zero projects will be incorporated into scheduled pavement maintenance projects. One of those projects is the Las Positas Safety Restriping Project. A bulk of the projects are in development or we are actively seeking grant funding.

5. **Las Positas Safety Restripe Vision Zero Project** (Location on video: 49:58)

Derrick Bailey, the City's Principal Traffic Engineer, gave a presentation on the Las Positas Safety Restripe Vision Zero Project. Staff started looking at the safety of this area when concerned residents in the neighborhood contacted the City because of a collision that occurred last March on Las Positas Road and Stanley Drive.

Collisions are occurring when people are making a left turn from the through lane onto McCaw Avenue. This has happened eight times in the last five years. There is a need to have a left turn lane. One of the

two south bound lanes will be changed to a center turn lane. Diagrams were shown for the planned restriping.

The Vision Zero Priority Corridors are from one end of a corridor to the other end. Safety projects will be looked at individually along each corridor. When other projects are occurring in an area, safety improvements will be looked at and incorporated in the area to take advantage of funding for an all-ready scheduled project.

There was some discussion regarding bike lanes on this corridor.

Public Comment:

There was one member of the public that spoke on this subject. (Location on video: 1:20:20)

DISCUSSION: (Location on video: 1:23:05)

David Hodges commented on the need to make the Las Positas Corridor safe for bicyclists such as the students at Adams Elementary School.

Ed France showed appreciation that the project is well thought out, very specific, and how it addresses citizen concerns and noted problems in a thoughtful way.

Derrick Bailey mentioned that the restripe would occur in spring/summer 2019, and that the cost would be around \$20,000.

MOTION:

The Committee recommends to City Council that the project is consistent with the Vision Zero Strategy.

Ayes: 6 Noes: Abstain: Absent:

6. Cabrillo Bike Lanes Safety Project (Location on video: 1:30:30)

Although this was previously presented to the Committee in May, there have been some engineering challenges for staff.

Derrick Bailey restated that this is a Vision Zero project. Between 2015 -2017, there have been eight collisions on the curve near the Andree Clark Bird Refuge. The concept design will include safety improvements for all users (Vision Zero), new bike lanes on Cabrillo, which are consistent with the Bicycle Master Plan, and additional beach access parking. The parking will be Reverse Angle Parking along the East Beach Volleyball Courts. The parking will provide greater driver visibility, better pedestrian and bicycle safety, fewer collisions, better loading/unloading for beach access, and increased parking supply from 60-95 spaces (includes ADA parking).

In order to fit in the reverse angle parking, a fence that is currently there will be removed and a curb will be installed.

An all-way stop, rather than a traffic signal, will be installed at Cabrillo Boulevard and Ninos Drive. This will allow for a safer transition for the merging of the two eastbound lanes.

The Vision Zero component to this project will be speed control with the reverse angle parking with two lanes. Lower operating speeds and better sight lines are expected in the corridor.

Public Comment:

There was one member of the public that spoke on this subject. (Location on video: 1:48:50)

MOTION:

The Committee recommends to City Council that this project is consistent with both the Bicycle Master Plan and the Vision Zero Strategy.

Ayes: 6 Noes: Abstain: Absent:

DISCUSSION: (Location on video: 1:52:34)

Chair Rodriguez mentioned that the safety of removing the fence had been brought up.

Chair Rodriguez mentioned that the Quarterly MTD Report was provided in the agenda packets.

The meeting was adjourned at 7:25 PM (Location on video: 1:53:50).

Please note:

The video recording of this meeting can be found at the City of Santa Barbara's website at:
<https://www.santabarbaraca.gov/gov/brdcomm/nz/tcc/video.asp>