



MEETING MINUTES

CITY OF SANTA BARBARA

TRANSPORTATION AND CIRCULATION COMMITTEE (TCC)

David Gebhard Public Meeting Room
630 Garden Street, Santa Barbara, CA
Thursday, February 27, 2020, 5:30 PM

CALL TO ORDER: Chair Kathleen Rodriguez called the meeting to order at 5:30 PM.

ROLL CALL:

TCC MEMBERS

Kathleen Rodriguez	Present
Hillary Blackerby	Present
David Hodges	Excused
Eve Sanford	Present
Susan Horne	Present
Andres Malovos	Present
David Collom	Present

Attendees

CITY STAFF PRESENT :

Rob Dayton, Transportation Planning and Downtown
Parking Manager
Jessica Grant, Supervising Transportation Planner
Derrick Bailey, Principal Traffic Engineer
Roxana Bonderson, Planning Commission Liaison
Mindy Jackson, Administrative Specialist

CHANGES TO THE AGENDA: NONE

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

Rob Dayton introduced a new TCC Member David Collom, and Roxana Bonderson, the new Planning Commission Liaison to the TCC.

1. PUBLIC COMMENT:

None

CONSENT CALENDAR:

2. Approval of Minutes from the October 24, 2019, TCC Meeting, where a TCC quorum was present. (Location on video: 1:55)

MOTION: Committee Member Blackerby moved to approve the minutes from the October 24, 2019, meeting and Committee Member Horne seconded the motion.

Ayes: 4 Noes: 0 Abstain: 2 Absent: 1

REPORTS

3. MTD Quarterly Report on the Downtown-Waterfront Shuttle

Copies of the Quarterly Report, October 1 – December 31, 2019, were given to the Committee.

Committee Member Sanford stated that she would support efforts to make the shuttle free for riders.

4. **La Cumbre Junior High/Modoc Cycle Track and Multiuse Path** (Location on video: 8:35)

Recommendation: That the Committee

- A. Hear a presentation from staff regarding two proposed path layout options for La Cumbre Junior High/Modoc bicycle connection between the Westside and the Las Positas/Modoc Multi-use Path; and,
- B. Find that option 2 is preferred and consistent with the City's Vision Zero Strategy, Circulation Element, Pedestrian Master Plan, and Bicycle Master Plan, and that it be included in the Westside and Lower West Transportation Management Plan.

Rob Dayton stated that three of the projects presented this evening would be seeking Active Transportation Program Grants.

Jessica Grant, Supervising Transportation Planner, gave the presentation.

Two path layout options were given:

- Option 1 is a multi-use path with buffered bike lanes, and
- Option 2 is a separated bike path

This item is set to go before Council on March 10, 2020.

PUBLIC COMMENT: (Location on video: 1:05:28)

Sebastian Aldana spoke regarding the need for street and pedestrian lighting and street sweeping.

Wilson Hubbell spoke regarding parallel bike paths.

Kim Stanley expressed support for Option 2.

Jim Hermland said that he would like to see lighting below the tree canopy in consideration for the wildlife.

DISCUSSION: (Location on video: 1:22:45)

Eve Sanford would support. She would like to see that with both options a bicycle box be at the Las Positas and Modoc intersection. She would like the bus stop to be considered during the design process. She would also support a bike share station along the corridor. Asks that staff consider offering bike share passes for residents along this corridor.

MOTION: Committee Member Horne moved to recommend option 2 to Council as the preferred option and that it is consistent with the City's Vision Zero Strategy, Circulation Element, Pedestrian Master Plan, and Bicycle Master Plan, and that it be included in the Westside and Lower West Transportation Management Plan. Committee Member Sanford seconded the motion.

DISCUSSION:

Hillary Blackerby supports lighting be included in the project.

5. **Milpas Street Corridor Planning Effort** (Location on video: 1:36:40)
Recommendation: That the Communittee recommend that the Milpas Corridor Plan is consistent with the City's Vision Zero Strategy, Circulation Element, and Pedestrian Master Plan.

Jessica Grant, Supervising Transportation Planner, gave the presentation. Ms. Grant reported on the feedback given at workshops regarding the Milpas Corridor Plan. Three main points: Safer crossings, lighting, and tree management/sidewalk build out for a better pedestrian network along Milpas Street.

PUBLIC COMMENT:

Barry Remus from COAST spoke in support of the project. He asked about signage for bicyclists. Sebastian Aldana spoke in support of the project. He is concerned with motorists not paying attention to the speed limit signs.

MOTION: Committee Member Blackerby moved to recommend to Council that the Milpas Corridor Plan is consistent with the City's Vision Zero Strategy, Circulation Element, and Pedestrian Master Plan. Committee Member Horne seconded the motion.

DISCUSSION:

Ms. Sanford commends the speed reduction of 25 mph. She wants the City to consider making Nopal a bike boulevard. She would like to see bicycle signals and would like to see bicycle Wayfinding signage.

Chair Rodriguez stated that it is worth mentioning that because of Sergio Romero's death, many of these improvements were started and gratifying to see the improvements continue.

Rob Dayton thanked Chair Rodriguez for her comments regarding the Listening Workshops and for recognizing the work done by Jessica Grant and staff.

Ayes: 6 Noes: 0 Abstain: Absent: 1

6. **Active Transportation Program Grant Application for Upper De La Vina Street** (Location on video: 2:19:20)

Recommendation: That the Committee receive a report and presentation on the Upper De La Vina Street Buffered Bike Lanes Gap Closure and Safe Crosswalks project grant proposal, and find the project consistent with the Bicycle Master Plan, the Pedestrian Master Plan, and the Vision Zero Strategy.

Derrick Bailey, Principal Traffic Engineer, gave the presentation.

PUBLIC COMMENT:

Barry Remus from COAST spoke in support of the project.

MOTION: Committee Member Sanford moved to recommend to Council that the Upper De La Vina Street Buffered Bike Lanes Gap Closure and Safe Crosswalks project grant proposal is consistent with the Bicycle Master Plan, the Pedestrian Master Plan, and the Vision Zero Strategy. Committee Member Collom seconded the motion.

Ayes: 6 Noes: 0 Abstain: Absent: 1

ELECTION OF CHAIR AND VICE CHAIR:

Committee Member Blackerby recommended that Chair Rodriguez serve as Chair and Eve Sanford as Vice Chair.

Ayes: 6 Noes: 0 Abstain: Absent: 1

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

Mr. Dayton announced that on May 7 there will be a Pop-up half closure of State Street. From Victoria Street to Yanonali Street from Thursday evening through the weekend for CycleMania events.

ADJOURNMENT:

The meeting was adjourned at 8:15 PM

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>