

Street Improvement Oversight Advisory Committee Regular Meeting Minutes

Thursday, September 17, 2020 - 12:00 PM

Teleconference Only

A. CALL TO ORDER, AND ROLL CALL

Meeting started at 12:05 pm

Committee: Meherdad Namiranian, Paul LaPerriere, Joakim Osthus, Edward Schulze

Staff: Gosia Woodfin

B. APPROVAL OF FINAL AGENDA

M/S LaPerriere/Schulze All in Favor 4-0-0 Meherdad Namiranian, Paul LaPerriere, Joakim Osthus, Edward Schulze

C. Approve the meeting minutes of January 23, 2020

M/S Schulze/LaPerriere All in Favor 4-0-0 Meherdad Namiranian, Paul LaPerriere, Joakim Osthus, Edward Schulze

D. PUBLIC COMMENTS

A member of the public and resident of Novato, Thad Anders, presented his concerns regarding speeding traffic on Virginia Ave, and asked the committee to consider his request regarding the installation of a barrier on Virginia Ave. to close it to through traffic. The committee recommended this request be routed through our traffic engineer for evaluation. They would like an update from Gosia at the next meeting as to the end result.

E. GENERAL BUSINESS

These items include significant and administrative actions of special interest and will usually include a presentation and discussion by the Committee. They will be enacted upon by a separate vote.

E.1. Welcome New Members/ Reelected Members

Joakim Osthus introduced himself as a new member of the committee. He is a civil engineer by trade and is also a member of the BPAC Committee.

E.2. Consider Electing Chair and Vice Chair

Paul LaPerriere nominated himself as Vice Chair seconded by Ed Schulze. All in Favor 4-0-0 Meherdad Namiranian, Paul LaPerriere, Joakim Osthus, Edward Schulze Meherdad Namiranian will stay on as Chair.

E.3 Receive Updates on CIP projects (Gosia Woodfin – City of Novato)

2019 Novato Annual Pavement Rehab Paving Project - Is almost complete. Project included 1.6 miles of roadway, nearly 7,000 tons of asphalt were used to re-pave Novato

Blvd. from San Marin Drive to city limits, Wilson Ave from Center Rd to city limits, and Redwood Blvd from Rush Creek Place to Wood Hollow Drive. This project also included upgrades for ADA compliance of sidewalks and curb ramps, and a rehab of the multi-use path along south side of Novato Blvd between SMHS campus and Dwarf Oak trail. In addition, a midblock crosswalk was added at the head of the trail along with rapid flashing beacons. Some small punch list items are being worked on by the contractor.

Novato Blvd at San Marin-Sutro Improvements – SMHS Area Multimodal Circulation Study was received from consultant. Some of the recommended improvements were included in the paving project. Other recommended improvements became a subject of ATP Grant application prepared and submitted by a consultant. The scope of work includes a multi-use path along the west side of Sutro Avenue from Novato Blvd to Michelle Circle, bulb-outs, curb ramps and streetlights at the intersection. The construction cost was estimated at \$1,245,000.

Novato Blvd Widening – a consultant was recently hired to prepare final design and bid documents: plans, specifications, and estimate.

Restriping Rowland Blvd - will take place behind Costco to allow for more parking spaces. Costco plans to build a gas station at Vintage Oaks which will eliminate some of the existing parking spaces. This will not be implemented until the environmental process is completed.

Overpass at Rowland - there is already a construction contract in place to restripe the US 101 overpass at Rowland Blvd. It is within Caltrans right of way but City's responsibility to maintain. We have a permit to do the work but are still waiting on the duplicate permit submitted to Caltrans by the contractor.

Private Projects - PG& E is working on gas lines along South Novato Blvd east of Rowland, and on Redwood Blvd from Grant Ave. to Olive Ave. (northbound lane). This work will continue through mid-November.

Mary Jo has a guick build grant from TAM for Sunset Parkway speed feedback sign. pavement markings.

Street signals have been upgraded to include a yellow frame/border to help improve their visibility in the event of a power outage.

F. COMMITTEE AND LIAISON REPORTS

This section is used for Commissioners and the Staff Liaison to orally report on topics that can be considered for discussion at a future meeting

F.1. **Consider future topics**

Annual report update

Update on Mary Jo's response to Virginia Avenue barricade request

Intersection Hill / Redwood update

City Satisfaction Survey 2015 –does the city plan to do an updated survey? Review opportunities to close streets to traffic

F.2. Next Meeting Date (November 19, 2020)

Meeting date of November 19th was confirmed

G. ADJOURNMENT (1:30 PM – TIME APPROXIMATE)

The meeting was adjourned at 1:30pm.



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