

ORIGINAL

CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF NOVATO

RESOLUTION NO. 2022-010

RESOLUTION RESCINDING RESOLUTION 3-09 AND
RESOLUTION 2019-031 TO MERGE THE BICYCLE/PEDESTRIAN
ADVISORY COMMITTEE AND THE STREET IMPROVEMENT
OVERSIGHT ADVISORY COMMITTEE TO ESTABLISH THE
COMPLETE STREETS AND PATHWAYS OVERSIGHT
COMMITTEE

WHEREAS, the City Council established a Bicycle/Pedestrian Advisory Committee (B/PAC) by Resolution 91-92, and Resolution 3-09 reinstated and established the B/PAC with specific duties and a range of five to seven members; and

WHEREAS, the City Council established the Street Improvement Oversight Committee by Resolution 36-04 on May 11, 2004 and adopted Resolution 2019-031 establishing the duties of the Street Improvement Oversight Advisory Committee (SIOAC); and

WHEREAS, the purpose and duties of B/PAC and SIOAC have significant overlap which is not an efficient use of staff resources and may be confusing to residents; and

WHEREAS, the Novato General Plan 2035 refers to “Complete Streets,” which are designed to meet the needs of all users, including motorists, pedestrians, bicyclists, children, persons with disabilities, seniors, movers of commercial goods, and users of public transportation; and

WHEREAS, there is an opportunity to merge the duties of B/PAC and SIOAC and establish a new Complete Streets & Pathways Oversight Committee that is charged with looking at the City’s streets and pathways in a holistic approach that considers all user groups, maintenance work, capital projects, and other initiatives planned and implemented.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the City Council of the City of Novato that Resolution 3-09 and Resolution 2019-031 are hereby rescinded, and the Complete Streets and Pathways Oversight Committee is hereby established, subject to the following:

1. The Complete Streets and Pathways Oversight Committee (CSPOC) shall be a regular Council Council-appointed Committee.
2. The CSPOC shall be comprised of seven (7) regular members and two (2) alternate members. All but one member must live within City limits; one member may live in the unincorporated area of Novato.
3. The initial terms will be staggered with four (4) appointments lasting three (3) years and three (3) appointments lasting 2 years; thereafter, each voting member’s term will be two (2) years.
4. The terms of the two (2) Alternate members will be two (2) years.
5. The Committee shall elect a Chair and Vice Chair annually; no one may serve as Chair more than one time in a three-year cycle.
6. The Committee shall meet on an as-needed basis with at least one meeting per quarter and will establish an annual schedule at their first meeting of each year.

7. The Committee shall be advisory to the City Council and shall have the following duties:
 - I. Monitor, oversee, and provide recommendations for proposed Capital Improvement Program (CIP) projects for streets and pathway improvements, including funding;
 - II. Identify potential bicycle and pedestrian facility improvements based on community needs and work with staff to update the Bike/Pedestrian Master Plan accordingly;
 - III. Receive and make recommendations concerning traffic engineering proposals, complaints, concerns and suggestions having to do with traffic, pedestrian and bicycle operational matters such as the modification or installation of new traffic controls, crosswalks, roadway striping, or traffic calming devices with input from the City Engineer and/or city departments, districts or other stakeholders;
 - IV. Liaise with other public agencies, schools, bicycle and pedestrian interest groups and/or individuals to facilitate a role for Novato cyclists, parents and pedestrians in countywide planning and funding efforts including crossing guards;
 - V. Assist with the annual development of the 5-year pavement rehabilitation plan by reviewing and making recommendations related to the prioritization of streets and other improvements/programs and review financial expenditures to ensure adequate and equitable distribution of funding;
 - VI. Liaise with the Transportation Authority of Marin Safe Routes to Schools Committee and the Novato Safe Routes to Schools representative; and
 - VII. Submit an annual report to the City Council on accomplishments, issues and suggestions of the Committee.

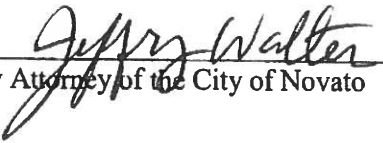
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I HEREBY CERTIFY that the foregoing resolution was duly and regularly adopted by the City Council of the City of Novato, Marin County, California, at a meeting thereof, held on the 25th day of January, 2022, by the following vote, to wit:

AYES: Councilmembers Athas, Eklund, Milberg, Wernick, Lucan
 NOES: Councilmembers
 ABSTAIN: Councilmembers
 ABSENT: Councilmembers


 City Clerk of the City of Novato

Approved as to form:


City Attorney of the City of Novato