Meeting Notes

1. **[12:00 – 12:05] Introductions and agenda additions**
   a. See above and no additions

2. **[12:05 – 12:45] Guests: City of South Lake Tahoe – Jim Marino (Assistant Public Works Director) and John Hitchcock (Planning Manager and Tahoe Valley Area Plan Project Manager)**
   a. Tahoe Valley Area Plan (TVAP) update with focus on Viking Way to the Y, the Greenbelt, and any Safe Routes to School aspects. Recap of any bike/ped projects completed over the summer, anything coming up and what we can do as a community group to help City efforts. Also, clearing bike paths this winter?
      i. Overall: will be having public workshops once start looking at design. City has USFS, CMAQ, TRPA water quality funds for implementation of TVAP. Storm water money is a little easier to find, Greenbelt is going to be tougher to fund (applied to CTC for Prop 1 for Greenbelt).
         1. Bike/ped loop around whole TVAP area: B street, Tata, 5th, Dunlap.
         2. Priorities: storm water (greenbelt, which is also economic prosperity). B Street (Barton traffic and will be increasing as Barton expands), and especially the crossing of 50.
   3. CM Group: start defining priorities (specific areas, safety, recreation, shopping – biggest bang for the buck).
      a. We have been focusing on connectivity and low-hanging fruit.
      b. Get involved with workshops. As design goes along we will be kept in the loop and can provide advice and voice concerns.
   4. City: school safety is not our focus; LTUSD should be making safe sidewalks and to/from connections.
   ii. Greenbelt: Cardno will design Greenbelt with Design Workshop. Looking at ways to highlight Greenbelt. Factory outlets have new owners and are looking at making it nicer, opening up to Greenbelt, maybe special event center/area. City has talked to property owners along Greenbelt and general feedback is public spaces, plazas, quiet areas. Thrift store next to CTC land (formerly head shop and psychic shop) may be willing to sell the back part of lot.
   iii. Viking Way to the Y: mostly government land on south side of lake tahoe blvd – could be bike path the whole way. This will be in active transportation plan, but TVAP doesn’t have anything specific in it. Would be about $1 million project.
         1. Sidewalk on north side – small gap at Viking way is SEZ and 0 capability.
         2. Roundabout at Viking Way would be amazing a great pilot (but would need space because of school busses and the downhill coming out of the school).
         3. Needed: assessment for what it would take and cost (easement issues, utilities, roundabout at Viking Way intersection?). **AI: Subcommittee to apply for On Our Way grant for priority.**
   iv. Other TV: North of Bevmo looking ta mixed use project with sidewalks and bike racks – **now required** as a design standard (6’ asphalt sidewalk) so required for permitting (through TVAP, also in Tourist Core area plan).
   v. Next month City is starting area plan for rest of City: Bijou, College, Harrison, Government area. Meeting with various neighborhoods to do specific visioning (already getting a lot of comments about houses being built recently). Will take about a year (2 if need full EIR). Housing size could be different for each area.
1. Overall: TRPA is getting away from sidewalks and focusing on multi-use paths. City is looking at turning grid neighborhoods (Al Tahoe and Sierra Tract) maybe make it all one-ways. This would all be visioning though and might not want to stir up residents without any funding identified or available so it would be “implementation strategies”. Area plans don’t get into design details

vi. Citywide: looking at zoning ordinance update including parking requirement.

vii. New professional building planned for south side of highway 50 just east of 3rd.

1. Help: Caltrans. How to cross 50 at B avenue for the Greenbelt – ped refuge – to get to CTC section of Greenbelt. McDonalds is getting ready to submit project, city is not sure what this will look like.

viii. Other City priorities: El Dorado to Ski Run bike path, Sierra Blvd, Viking Way to the Y, Greenbelt

3. [12:45 – 1:00pm] Middle School Connectivity Plan update – Morgan

  a. We got the state ATP grant for construction of Al Tahoe improvements!
     i. $2.14 million – design can’t start until late 2016, construction October 1, 2017 so 2018 summer really.
     ii. City formed JPA with LTUSD to build ball fields next to college right on Al Tahoe – ball fields construction spring 2016.

4. [1:00 – 1:05] Safe Routes to School Master Plan review and approval update – Morgan, Rebecca, Gianna

  a. Up for adoption by City and LTUSD in November.


  a. Commitment to zero traffic fatalities (bike, ped, car, all). CA communities are adopting.
  c. AI: Create Subcommittee: David, Chris, Gianna, (Pete and Gavin – lesser roles).

6. [1:15 – 1:25] Letters – Gavin lead and others help by taking on a letter (template created)

  a. Requests
     i. Caltrans: Winter meeting, Hwy. 50 from Y to Trout Creek
        1. Bike/ped detours especially bad with SW gas project this summer. Done – Nov. 4 meeting.
  b. Thank yous AI: (use this Google Doc to sign up for a writing assignment. Template created)
     i. USFS (Garrett Villanueva and project manager for Zephyr Bike Path, Matt Kauffman – mathewkauffman@fs.fed.us)
     ii. City (Jim Marino, Nancy Kerry, others?)
     iii. ED County (Brendan Ferry, Donaldo? Others? For Sawmill, others?). DAVID
     iv. CTC (Sue Rae Irelan for Greenway)
     v. Douglas County
     vi. TRPA
     vii. TTD?
     viii. NDOT?
     ix. Others?
7. **[1:25 – 1:30] Next Meeting – Gavin**
   a. **Subcommittees in meantime: Vision Zero and On Our Way**
      a) Date and location TBD – joint Nov/Dec meeting as usual? – **TUESDAY DECEMBER 8 at TRPA**
      b) Thank you and request letters
      c) Guest speaker – **County**?
      d) Update/Schedule for guest speakers over fall/winter (list below)
      e) **Subcommittee updates:**
         - What to apply for on our way for
         - Vision Zero progress and any help needed

**Upcoming speakers – Gavin lead, all help**
   b. **AI:** Gavin/others to keep scheduling these
      a. **TTD** (George Fink – transit issues informed by Sept. 30 unmet transit needs & Oct. 21/Nov. 18 [Tahoe Talks](#))
         i. **DECEMBER**
      b. **ED County** (Brendan and/or Novasel - talk about signage, Black Bart, Meyers Sustainability Plan, Elks Club to Saw Mill danger, what we can do to help with public support.)
         i. **NOVEMBER**
            a. Speed feedback signs art Sierra House (Eissinger SLTPD wants, has costs)
            b. bike fatality during Bike Challenge. David will bring up at JPA meeting. This should spark serious review of facilities and behaviors on Pioneer in decades(?) since Class II’s. County has been getting $5k/mile for years from JPA for maintenance of Class II on Pioneer (Cycle track/separated/striped separated lane on Pioneer, JPA money for maintenance?). Also, trying to get more kids to ride to school – Sierra House, Magnet, even middle School and LTCC).
      c. **USFS** (Garrett or Matt from USFS speak about current and future projects, future wayfinding, how we can help with public support)
      d. **City** (Jim and John Hitchcock – general, Tahoe Valley Area Plan – especially Viking Way to Y and Greenbelt)
         i. **OCTOBER**
      e. **Caltrans** (Gary Arnold? Dist. 3 Deputy Director Tom Brannon? Caltrans Director Malcolm Dougherty? – how their projects went over summer, what’s up next, how we can ensure bike/ped facilities are part of their projects. Caltrans is committed to increasing bike ridership by 3x by 202. How does Tahoe fit into this? Look at TRPA’s VMT projections (high from tourists, we need to increase ridership here too, not just residents of metropolitan areas).
         i. **JANUARY**
            a. Trout to the Y!!!