

## Meeting Minutes Sept 2016 CM Meeting

Attendees: Pete Fink, Karen Fink, Joe Marcozzo, Morgan Beryl, Russ Dahler, Chris Mertens, David Reichel, Gianna Avani, Steve Has, Trevor Coolidge I.

### I. Opportunities to Support Efforts of SLT

The group discussed the upcoming sales tax measure. The group felt most people will vote for roads and that CM members should attend City Council meetings now to show support for the proposed tax measure and to strongly recommend that any road improvements undertaken with that money (or otherwise) should include complete streets wherever practical. It was also noted that should housing be the issue that gets the most votes for the tax measure, there are also options through the Sustainable Communities grants and the CDBGs (Community Development Block Grants) that provide funding for bike/ped facilities for affordable housing projects.

Good resource: [Incorporating On-Road Bicycle Network into Resurfacing Projects.](#)

The group also discussed that much recent transportation planning has been done, however, the priorities from those plans have perhaps not yet been fully incorporated into the City's CIP list. CM would like to understand more about the public process for providing input on the CIP list. We would also like to understand more what/if the City is planning for the next ATP funding cycle in Spring 2018 and how we might provide support.

We also want to voice our strong support that Greenway project and that the City, CTC and LTCC proceed as efficiently as possible with the next steps to ensure that construction can start as soon as given that this was a top priority for the City's Recreation Master Plan.

NEXT STEPS: Rebecca to present about the above issues at the next City Council meeting.

### II. Meyers Mobility Plan

David reviewed the last public meeting on the Meyers Corridor Plan and described how after the meeting some businesses signed onto a letter which caused the County to temporarily halt their work on the proposed project. There will be a meeting of Meyers businesses organized through the Chamber of Commerce to discuss the issue in more detail. The County is continuing to work on an improved crossing at Apache and the intersection of Pioneer and US 50.

NEXT STEPS: Determine next step based on the outcome of the Chambers meeting.

### III. Federal Highway Safety Assessment of US 50 from the Y to Trout Creek.

This assessment has not occurred, but is hopefully being planned for spring 2017. If low cost, acceptable improvements can be made to the existing project, Caltran's is open to possible change orders. If not, improvements may need to be part of a new project. TRPA is working with Caltrans District 3 to apply for FHWA Everyday Counts 4 funding.

NEXT STEPS: Morgan will report back to Community Mobility once application goes into FHWA.

### IV. On Going Role of CM Group

The group discussed how much biking has increased in recent years and that we need to raise awareness about not only how this provides advantages to all our community but also safety issues. We discussed how there were several accidents this summer, but no one seems aware of it. It was suggested that other cities, they have installed either permanently or temporarily white "ghost" bikes to show where bike fatalities have occurred. We discussed how we could have white bikes for fatalities (of which we only have one) and perhaps another color for serious accidents.

We discussed working with the City to get support for a Vision Zero campaign. Morgan noted that through their SSARP grant awarded from Caltrans TRPA will be analyzing data gaps and hopefully figuring out a system where all crashes are reported and can be accessed.

Working with STPUD. Trevor Coolidge (now with STPUD) reported that the utility district would like to provide support for bike/ped infrastructure by possibly providing drinking fountains along key paths. We also discussed the possibility of perhaps putting multiuse paths along STPUD right of way that would provide bike/ped access as well as emergency access. Much of their easements are on USFS property so we would need to involve them as well. A group maybe go look at a few possible spots next week after work.