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# **GENERAL PURPOSE MEETING**

Monday, November 21, 2016

6:00 p.m.

**Council Members:** Marc Crawford, Chair, Ken Carbone, Vice Chair, Dave Sadoff, Sheila Cunha Chuck Moore, Janet Everson, Linda Tangren

Location: Castro Valley Library - 3600 Norbridge Avenue, Castro Valley, CA 94646

# <u>Minutes</u>

## **PUBLIC COMMENT**

Peter Rosen, requested the MAC to request Alameda County starts broadcasting MAC meetings. For next week's MAC Land Use meeting, Mr. Rosen suggests that the MAC requests the DDA for the Daughtrey's site or a background summary.

I. Approval of Minutes - October 17, 2016

A motion was made by Sheila Cunha and seconded by Dave Sadoff, that the minutes of October 17, 2016 be accepted as submitted.

## Motion passed 5/0

## II. Traffic Safety Concerns near Stanton Elementary

Amy Ramos, Stanton Elementary School PTA, presented a PowerPoint presentation to requests assistance in addressing traffic safety concerns near Stanton Elementary School.

The presentation included safety concerns and current conditions for children walking to Stanton Elementary school, including overgrown vegetation, cars parked in the right-of-way, no sidewalks and the need for an additional crossing guard.

The Stanton Elementary PTA requests the following:

An accurate timeline for sidewalks to be constructed on Stanton Avenue

- Design process to begin this year
- Allocate the funding for sidewalks
- Complete construction of sidewalks by mid-2018 (before start of 2018-2019 school year)
- Crossing guard on Somerset Avenue
- Alameda County to pay for second crossing guard

## Speakers

JoAnn Lauer, BikeWalk Castro Valley, Sam Rycoff, Cynthia Brixie, Tom Nohr, Darlene Saunders, Mary Lodge, Alina Druga (submitted public comment), Cowley-Crawford Family, Dot Theodore, Jeff Null, Carrie Sanchez-Para, Parvin Ahmadi, Castro Valley Unified Schools Superintendent, Matt Turner, Ellen Griffin, Alex Tumlinson, all spoke in favor of constructing sidewalks near Stanton Elementary School. Other suggestions from speakers included:

- Possible creation of a County Service Area for sidewalks
- Castro Valley MAC send letter to Alameda County Transportation Commission (ACTC) to request Measure BB funding for sidewalk
- Work with bike and pedestrian groups around safety concerns
- Request update on three (3) design grants
- Consider painting curbs red and clearing vegetation in the walk way

John Medlock, Director of Maintenance; portion of right-of-way is the responsibility of the property owner.

Art Carrera, Deputy Director, Public Works Agency, answered questions from the public and the Council.

The Public Works Agency will design sidewalks on three (3) streets: Anita, Somerset and Stanton. The anticipated completion of the design will be in 2019, taking into account the utility coordination and the Federal process. ACTC has bike and pedestrian improvement plans and those funds can be requested to fund projects.

**Recommendation from MAC:** The MAC will create a subcommittee for sidewalk/safety concerns to include Code Enforcement, Public Works Agency and the Castro Valley Unified School District to work on sidewalk and safety concerns near Stanton Elementary.

## III. Traffic Signal Controller Box Murals

Paul Keener, Senior Transportation Planner, Public Works Agency, presented a PowerPoint presentation on the Traffic Signal Controller Box Murals pilot program.

The pilot program will allow traffic signal controller boxes to be painted with murals in the unincorporated areas of Alameda County in the following locations: Ashland, Delano Street, Cherryland at Meekland Avenue, Paseo Grande and Hampton Road, San Lorenzo at Washington Ave., Alamitos, Grant and Via Enrico and Five Canyons Parkway in Castro Valley.

The next steps to continue the program is to identify funding to be used for art, modify encroachment permit, select several artists to paint the various boxes. The proposed projects will be reviewed by the MAC before painting begins other traffic controller boxes. There are fifty (50) such boxes in the Castro Valley Area.

## Speaker

Ellen Griffin supports the project. BART has a public arts program, she has offered to connect with BART.

**Recommendation from the MAC**: The MAC Council supports the Traffic Signal Controller Box Mural Project.

## IV. Child Care and Community Development in Castro Valley

Ellen Dektar, Early Child and Education Planning Council, General Services Agency, presented a PowerPoint presentation on Child Care and Community Development in Castro Valley.

Alameda County has approximately 2000 child care programs: approximately 1500 are family child care homes and there are about 570 child care centers. The Castro Valley area has twenty-five (25) child care centers, nineteen (19) large family child care homes and forty-two (42) small family child care homes.

The Castro Valley General Plan states:"Provide a variety of affordable child care facilities to meet the needs of present and future Castro Valley residents and those who work in the community." T

Supportive and incentives to accomplish affordable child care in the Castro Valley area include:

- Density bonus per State law
- Reduced parking, shared parking
- Fee waiver/exemption
- Expedited permit processing
- City partnership
- Use of vacant or under-utilized buildings, low/no cost lease
- Use of Community Development Block Grants and other funds

The Early Child and Education Planning Council proposes the following next steps:

- Implement General Plan/crate or revise land use tools
- Consider child are at MAC meetings so families can participate
- · Partner with public/private agencies to maximize efforts and resources

#### Speaker

Kat Troyer supports child care in the community and there are several examples of successful child care homes in the community.

This item was informational only and required no Council action.

#### V. Camp Sweeney Modernization Project

Willie Hopkins, Jr., Director General Services Agency and Wendy Still, Chief Probation Officer, Probation Department, presented an update on the Camp Sweeney Modernization Project.

The presentation included the project, timeline, drawings and facility programs.

The existing Camp Sweeney facility is 70 years old and in poor condition. There is nearby documented seismic fault and landslide activity. The infrastructure was affected by earth shifting and age.

The proposed replacement project budget is approximately \$65 million dollars with a design/build delivery. The project location is very close to Fairmont Drive, and the General Services Agency has met with members of the Hillcrest Knolls community regarding the project. The CEQA process has been completed.

Marc Crawford, Chair, MAC, stated that he has read the geo technical and EIR and the reports state that the seismic testing was not completed on the existing site. The decision to rebuild Camp Sweeney was based on the County not losing the funding for the project.

Mr. Hopkins stated that there were a lot of factors determined to not build on the existing site.

Wendy Still, Chief Probation Officer reported that the new Camp Sweeney site will allow programs for girls in addition to expanded educational capacity in addition to mental health and rehabilitative program.

#### Speakers

Lori Tebo, resident of Hillcrest Knolls, stated that there are over 200 signatures on the petition that do not support the location of this project.

Henryka Szudesky, resident of Hillcrest Knolls, collected signatures of neighboring residents that do not support the project. The proposed project is in an earthquake zone and the existing site is not in the earthquake zone. The community was not involved in the project.

Chief Still answered programmatic questions from the Council.

This item was informational only and required no Council action.

#### VI. Council/Staff Comments

None.

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Next meeting date: January 30, 2017

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