

Minutes

Traffic and Circulation Committee Meeting Thursday, January 12th at NCSD, 148 South Wilson 9:00 to 11:00 am

Present: John Brantingham, Marianne Buckmeyer, Peggy Cox, Clyde Cruise, Dale Ramey, Jeanne Taylor, Jim Tefft, Dave Watson and Mike Winn

1 Correspondence:

Letter from Jerry Bunin of The Homebuilders Association (included) requesting a more precise means of determining South County traffic improvements. This will be addressed at the next T&CC meeting.

Letter from Vince McCarthy (included) disapproving *The South County Traffic Model Report*

2 Consideration of expanding Hill Street to five lanes:

Dale will present this at the next NCAC meeting. There is quite a bit of concern over the width not promoting a pedestrian friendly environment. One suggestion included acquiring the right-of-way and leaving it available for future improvement if the need to widen the road arises

3 Commercial Passby rate:

Motion by Marianne Buckmeyer Seconded by Jim Tefft. Passed by unanimous vote.
Keep passby rate the same as in the 2003 Traffic Update: 70%

4 *South County Traffic Model Report*, approve or disapprove

Dale will clarify statement on page 65 regarding Woodland's payback.

Motion by Marianne Buckmeyer Seconded by Jim Tefft. Passed by unanimous vote.

Approve report pending the following:

Allow committee members seven more days to review report and comment.

Comments to be sent to Dan Woodson by 5 pm on January 19th. Lack of response indicates approval. Include omni.means two Technical Memoranda concerning a 5-year capital improvement plan for the Tefft Street Corridor as part of report (in the Appendices).

Motion by Marianne Buckmeyer Seconded by Jeanne Taylor. Passed by unanimous vote.

Any GPAs entering the approval process will submitted for inclusion in the traffic model and the resulting changes in traffic and circulation patterns updated for inclusion in the South County Traffic Model Update

Motion by Marianne Buckmeyer Seconded by Mike Winn. Passed by unanimous vote.

Have the County consider charging an additive GPA fee for the cumulative assessment of traffic to allow annual updates of the traffic model and allow commentary on the overall traffic conditions associated with GPA proposals.

5 Select the top three projects from Table 30, *Capital Improvement Projects*. Are they do-able? How accurate are the projected costs?

Develop criteria at next T&CC meeting

6 NCAC approval of Marianne's letter expressing rejection of Halcyon/1 Realignment Project:
information

7 Public Works will be taking an action item to the Board in late January or February making the
speed humps on Mallagh St a permanent installation:
Information

8 Pomeroy speed limit will be changed to 50 mph:
Information

Next Meeting February 16th

E-mail from Jerry Bunin

Dan:

Here is our very simple position:

The Home Builders Association fully supports paying for all the traffic and other infrastructure improvements that are necessary to provide public services to new construction.

We also fully recognize that traffic problems exist today in Nipomo and contribute to public opposition to new development.

Our traffic impact fees in Nipomo have risen almost 100 % in the last three years without any corresponding improvement in community traffic flow. We don't believe the community will see traffic improvements if the entire solution is left for new construction to fund. There isn't enough development to fund fixing yesterday's problems, today's and tomorrow's.

The Home Building Association is very interested in working with the community to help fix existing problems and to assure that new construction doesn't aggravate the situation. However, any extra contributions we make toward fixing problems we didn't cause must make financial sense and will require changing how the county administers the growth management ordinance in Nipomo.

The South County Area Traffic Update needs to be presented in context with a financing plan that will actually figure out what improvements are needed, exactly how they will be funded, and when will they must be built.

We will continue to participate in the Traffic Committee meetings as a resource for its members and to explore ways to make things better for all.

E-mail from Vince McCarthy

So far the County has not shown any good faith in there assessment of the traffic problems down here and we need to let them know. The Five Yr. Plan is a pipe dream and is not feasible in the least.

I do not approve of the updated traffic study until some of the major questions can be answered. I don't believe some of the adjusted LOS's that we were given. It seems like a little a way to late.