

Minutes

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

Present: John Brantingham, Peggy Cox, Reggie Dion, Ed Eby, Jack Hansen, Dale Ramey, Eugene Score, Jeanne Taylor, Jim Tefft, Dave Watson, Dick Wright
Public – Kathleen Knotts

Old Business

1) CalTrans edict – alternative number 3.

Dale indicated that the County is no longer able to directly influence the CalTrans decision. From this point it will require political activity to authorize the Hill Street onramp. The diamond configuration would require acquisition of the service station the real estate office and the pizza parlor. It may require the purchase of the Little Jocko's.

Lane additions on Tefft Street would impact the Taco Bell drive through, Vons service station, driveways on both sides of Tefft and the Mary Street intersection. Cost of the diamond configuration is estimated from 15 to 20M\$. Cost of the Hill Street ramp option would be 5 to 6M\$. It would take a long time to generate sufficient traffic mitigation funds for the former.

Public Works plans to discuss the long term aspects of this situation with the BOS at its October 23rd meeting. Hopefully the CalTrans District Director will attend.

Dave Watson said that he had a similar experience with the 4th Street onramp – CalTrans was opposed to the concept but eventually, as reality set in, they approved it. He thinks the same thing can happen here. Dave expects to have better cost data for the revised Developers agreements in about three weeks. At a recent meeting Supervisor Achadjian expressed that would not favor eminent domain for acquiring rights-of-way for this project.

Another avenue to approach with CalTrans would be the concept of *Context Sensitive Design* which District 5 subscribes to. This concept seems to fit the situation.

2) Status of drainage project and road reconstruction at Los Flores and Osage?

Project consists of paving a portion of Los Flores between Serena and Osage and about 100 feet of Osage North of Los Flores. Drainage along Los Flores will be improved by constructing 6 foot diameter dry wells to a depth of 40 feet. The project is funded from property tax. Paving is scheduled to begin on August 20th.

3) When will the markings in the Tefft/Oakglen intersection be done?

Keep Clear markings have been painted in the intersection. Public Works is preparing documents for eventual widening of the north, westbound partial lane on Tefft at Oakglen,

- 4) T&CC Support for proceeding with left turn lane improvements and PNR for Los Berros - Thompson at the Hwy 101 Interchange.

Public Works is planning on adding left and right turn pockets at the Los Berros/101 and Thompson/101 onramps. In addition a Park-n-Ride lot will be included. Provision for future signalization is part of the project. The cost is estimated to be 1.7M\$ with 0.5M\$ being funded from SLOCOG. Dale Ramey asked for and received Committee support to use Area 2 funds to proceed with the project.

New Business

- 5) Mary Street closure south of Tefft: How long will it be closed? Can anything be done to open it on a periodic basis?

Dale Ramey indicated that the Mary Street lane would be opened on Friday afternoon. Later communication with Dale changed the opening to Tuesday.

- 6) Is there a possibility of a right turn pocket eastbound on Los Berros at Pomeroy?

Dale will check it out but does not think there is sufficient shoulder width to add a pocket.

- 7) Bus stop shelters on Tefft

David Lilly of the Regional Transit Authority at a Transit Committee meeting indicated that he hoped to have the shelters in place in August.

- 8) A segment of Oso Flaco Road has been torn out and construction activity appears to be encroaching on the creek. What is going on?

Public Works is replacing two 48" CMP with 48" concrete pipe. Dale stated that the project does not impact Oso Flaco Creek however, observation of a USGS topographic map indicates otherwise.

- 9) What is going on with the reconstruction of Mesa Road? Does Public Works have any oversight on that project?

Road is being reconstructed two 12 foot lanes with shoulders. Public Works has approved the plans and has contracted with a private firm to provide project inspection. It was suggested that signalization at Tefft and Mesa be considered as the traffic impacts from Mesa may be severe.

- 10) 2007 Circulation Study Update

Recalculation of Road Impact Fees is necessitated due to Area 1 project cost increases caused by the CalTrans diamond interchange requirement and Area 2 reductions caused by changing the proposed Halcyon/SR 1 configuration. Dale updated us on the status of all the proposed projects that are to be funded by Road Impact Fees. Fee changes will be discussed on August 16th. This will be discussed at the October 23rd BOS meeting.

11) Member comments

The site distance at the intersection of Osage and Camino Roble is impacted with vegetation on the southwest corner and the crest of a hill on Osage to the south. Recommendations included trimming the foliage, stripping the road and speed signing near the crest of the hill. Dale will check on signing.

12)Next meeting: August 16th

13)Adjourn