

Minutes

Traffic and Circulation Committee Meeting Thursday, August 13th at the NCSD Board Room at 148 South Wilson 9:00 to 11:00 am

Present: Peggy Cox, Jack Hanson, Vince McCarthy, Eugene Score, Jeanne Taylor, Dick Wright

Public Works: Ryan Chapman, Dale Ramey

Public Members: Chris Bromes, Jim Cox, Steve Cool, Dave Watson, Larry Wesch

Public Comment

Larry Wesch who lives along Osage complained that there is a substantial amount of truck traffic, speeders, parents driving their children to school and school buses traveling on Osage between Mesa and Los Flores. This is disruptive to Mr. Wesch and his neighbors. Dale Ramey indicated that he would explore available options and discuss it at our next meeting.

Old Business

- 1) Status of changing signal timing at Intersection of Mary and Tefft to reduce gridlock.

Ryan Chapman indicated that this is still in progress. He said he would be observing the effects of the changes in a few weeks.

- 2) Vehicles continue to go straight at the Tefft South Frontage Road ignoring the right turn only sign. When will the pavement markings be installed.

Pavement markings are in place. No problems have been observed recently. Jack Hanson suggested adding duplicate markings closer to the parking lot exit near Taco Bell.

- 3) Status of Willow Road preconstruction. How is the property acquisition and the NEPA documentation progressing.

County has secured rights-of-way on all but one property whose owner is trying to get more reimbursement for his property. The County does have right of entry to this property so construction is not being held up. The amended NEPA document was submitted Monday. Comments should be received from CalTrans the following week. Dale hopes to submit a preconstruction award package to CalTrans next month. This will result in a three-week turn around time at which time the County can start the 30 day bidding process. Bid opening should be in October followed shortly by award and notice to proceed.

- 4) Status of Willow Road Interchange preconstruction. Are the 65% plans finished.

The 65% plans are complete. Another engineering firm is doing a quality assurance of the plans. Their comments should be available on Friday. The plans will be submitted to CalTrans next week for their review of the interchange aspects. Comments received from CalTrans will the plans to continue to the 95% stage. The County will be checking the Willow Road and Frontage Road aspects. Dale feels that construction will begin in 2010. Dale observed that construction labor costs are decreasing.

New Business

1) Draft Traffic and Circulation Study 2009 Update

Ryan Chapman went through the report and opened the discussion up to questions a question was raised about the CalTrans cost indices. Ryan agreed to add that data to the report. Another question was asked about the proposed Southland interchange. Dale assured us that the NB and SB on and off-ramps would be part of the project.

A motion was made by Jeanne Taylor and seconded by Vince McCarthy that we ask the SCAC to recommend approval of the study by the BOS.

2) Request for traffic calming devices on Mesa Road between Tefft and Osage.

After a meeting with area residents and Katcho, Public Works explored options to correct the problem. There appeared to be no solution outside of traffic calming. Chris Bromes indicated that he appreciated all that has been done. He also brought of the issue of nonconforming signage by Trilogy. Dale will do a driveby.

3) What will be included in the South Highway 101 corridor study.

Study will encompass Highway 101 and existing and proposed interchanges between Los Berros/Thompson and State Route 135. Study will include the Santa Maria bridge as designed. SLOCOG is providing 150K\$ to fund the study. Study will take from nine months to one year and an equal amount of time for the PSR. Omnimeans is the consultant. Dale pointed out that the bridge on Tefft crossing 101 will have to be widened six feet on both sides.

4) Update on Area 1 and 2 RIF

Account Balances

	Account Balance as of 6/30/09	Fees Collected 2008-2009	Interest Earned 2008-2009	Expenditures 2008-2009
Area 1	\$1,264,156.89	\$336,762.00	\$153,246.95	\$6,397,172.00
Area 2	\$3,311,186.07	\$137,617.00	\$ 69,829.87	\$ 42,460.00

Member Comments

Next meeting: September 10, 2009, at NCSD