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DATE: May 4, 2021
TO: Iron Horse Corridor Advisory Committee
FROM: Carl J. Roner, Public Works Department
SUBJECT: May 3, 2021 Meeting

The following is a record of the Iron Horse Corridor (IHC) Advisory Committee Zoom meeting held on May 3, 2021.

Members present: Lesley Hunt, Nazanin Shakerin, Dan MacKay, Ann Struthers, Sabina Zafar, and Dave Hudson.

Staff present: Carl J. Roner, County Public Works Department, Lia Bristol, District IV, Supervisor Mitchoff's Office, Jamar Stamps, County Department of Conservation and Development.

1. Open the meeting

Meeting called to order at 4:38 p.m.

2. Public Comment (Items not listed on the agenda)

- a. Carl addressed questions from Larry McEwen of the Colony Park Neighborhood Association regarding use of Iron Horse Trust Funds vs. Park Dedication Funds.

3. Approval of March 4, 2021 Meeting Minutes

Motion to approve the minutes. Motion passed with the following vote:

AYES: Hunt, MacKay, Hudson, Struthers, and Shakerin,

NOES: None

ABSENT: Beech, Holden, Cummings

ABSTAIN: None

4. Review IHC Trust Fund Fiscal Year Report

Staff provided the Committee with Trust Fund revenue and expenditures. Funding has remained stable. The accounting report was approved and accepted by the Committee.

5. Selection of Chair and Vice Chair

Shanna Holden was nominated to be the Vice Chairman, but since she was absent, the election will be held at the next meeting.

6. Reports from Committee Members and Staff

Staff provided the current list of IHC projects and their status.

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Carl Roner spoke briefly about the Walden 1 and 2 Landscape Improvements Project that is currently underway adjacent to the Pleasant Hill BART station. Estimated completion for the project is mid-June of this year. Carl noted that Public Works was considering replacing the turf in an area of Walden that acts as an informal dog park. Anne Struthers suggested that Public Works look into using Kurapia, a drought tolerant groundcover for the area.

Jamar Stamps from the Department of Conservation and Development (DCD) gave a presentation on the proposed new tree ordinance, which had been provided to members of the committee prior to the meeting. There were several comments/questions regarding the proposed ordinance. It was suggested that DCD maintain an on-call Arborist that could render an impartial opinion on proposed removals, as some Arborists were seen as biased towards removal. After the meeting Mr. Stamps provided his presentation material and a comparison chart between the proposed and existing ordinances. This was distributed to the committee members.

Mr. Roner spoke about the Kinder Morgan release of gasoline into the IHC and San Ramon Bypass Channel in Walnut Creek. He described the current remediation efforts in the area.

7. Consider agenda topics and date for next meeting

The next meeting date will be determined. Suggested agenda topics:

- Restrooms along the IHC: Opportunities and constraints.
- Landscaping District formation and funding for Walden 1 and 2 improvements.

The meeting was adjourned at 5:38 p.m.

CJR:

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