

Joint STREETS AND TRANSPORTATION/BOARD MEETING MINUTES
Tuesday, July 26, 2016
West Hills Hospital, West Hills

Those in attendance were Tony Brosamle, Reeyan Raynes, Dan Brin, Brad Vanderhoof, Olivia Naturman, Steve Randall, Simone Best, Joan Trent, Barry Seybert (arrived at 9:22 PM) A quorum was established at the outset.

- 1) Co-chair Tony Brosamle called the meeting to order at 8:10 PM.
- 2) The June 2016 minutes were approved with the following changes (as well as minor grammatical errors): #4 – “Committee Member will be reaching out to Jeff Brill” and on #5 “...hold until someone from the committee speaks to Jeff Brill at DONE.” ; #6 “Flashers” will be changed to “flashing lights will be added.”

3) Public Comment:

Reeyan gave an update on Bell Canyon/Valley Circle – there is a Highland and Valley Circle traffic study (from Dennis Zine). Tony queried if anyone on the committee actually possesses a traffic study that they can send to him. In the meantime, we may have to resort to the Public Records Act to secure requested studies for Shoup/Sherman Way and Roscoe/Jason.

Tony attended the Vision Zero symposium/meeting with representatives from Reseda NC, Northridge NC, Woodland Hills NC, Glenn Bailey (Northridge West/VANC) and others. The aim is to bring fatalities to zero traffic deaths for bicycles and pedestrians as 65% of traffic deaths occur on 6% of the streets. Scramble crosswalks proposed (there is one in Warner Center by Owensmouth and Erwin). Proposed solutions were brought up to achieve goals with use of data (which needs updated). West Valley is not equally represented in early proposals and needs to be addressed. The VisionZero team was receptive to feedback specifically with Roscoe and Jason; Valley Circle, and Shoup and Sherman Way. Dan asked about the HIN (High Injury Network) info graphic and finds it to be out of date. Tony wants graphics on WHNC website.

Tony wants to create a Sub-Group to report back to Vision Zero and to educate the West Hills community to begin promoting safer conditions. Olivia will take on beginning efforts.

- 4) The Bureau of Street Services sent a letter to Dan that Sale Street would be paved. Tony wants to develop a system to connect information and service requests with a single collection point. For example, someone posted to NextDoor, that their concerns were not addressed, but we could find no record of the request ever being received. Barry, Tony, and Dan have edit

access to the SAR truck request list formed in response to publicity on NextDoor. We currently have 30 different service requests.

SAR truck requests need to be in by August 8th so requests can be sent to BSS by the 16th. Tony wants to publicize the selected locations choices to show stakeholders that their requests were heard. Tony also suggested we do follow-up with individual 311 calls for the rest of potholes that don't make the final SAR truck list, in order to get them all fixed.

5) Old Business:

Update on Street Restricted Parking signs – Tony called for other ideas beyond more restricted parking signs to combat the overnight parking situation. Barry suggested limited parking signs through the DOT. Tony said no specific proposals in front of the committee tonight – so no votes were to take place. Reeyan voiced concern about limiting parking in West Hills overall. If they are not parked in front of homes, but instead were near the hospital, why push them out into residential neighborhoods? SLO said he would look into motor homes and sent Barry to narcotics to address the motor homes.

Haynes Street pedestrian bridge between Gross and Lederer –Barry said there is a Stakeholder fighting the City to not give up the confiscated City property. CD-12's position is unclear. Reeyan suggested contacting the City Attorney's office or the Neighborhood Prosecutor, as they are both responsible for moving the issue forward. Barry might call our NC representatives to guide inquiries and/or ask Englander's office to come to monthly meeting to provide details.

Sherman Way and Shoup Traffic Study – Tony does not have an update, but needs to reach out to Jeff Brill (DONE) for input.

Sidewalk Audit – Olivia put calls out, but did not have much luck in getting the layout of the crosswalks. She will work through Vision Zero to identify the most dangerous crosswalks and take action.

Roscoe/Jason crosswalk safety – No updates on effort to secure traffic study or install crosswalk with flashing lights.

New Business:

Orcutt Ranch parking – Steve attended the meeting (Rec & Parks was there, but DOT did not attend); Rec & Parks wants to move the fence in and the signs to come down to park diagonally and add walkway; Reeyan spoke to Rob Baker who says DOT is resisting and the parking restriction signs are not coming down.

The WHNC Board has not taken a position as both sides are strongly supported with individual lobbying and there is a need for consensus. Rec & Parks is supposed to meet with DOT to work out solution, but meeting has not happened and they want the WHNC or Mitch Englander to try to facilitate that meeting with Baker and the DOT, so might reach out to Ron Rubine to try to gain momentum

Dan says the signs in front of Orcutt are there to prevent parking in bicycle lane, but can park behind signs? Says has to have access parkway, so Dan says need equivalent of a sidewalk for pedestrian access. Needs a mix of solutions.

Meeting Adjourned at 9:58 PM