

# TRANSPORTATION TECHNICAL ADVISORY COMMITTEE (TTAC)

CAMARILLO CITY HALL
ADMINISTRATIVE CONFERENCE ROOM
601 CARMEN DRIVE, CAMARILLO, CA
THURSDAY, JANUARY 19, 2017
9:00 A.M.

**MEMBERS PRESENT:** Ken Matsuoka, City of Camarillo

Sean Corrigan, City of Moorpark Farhad Zaltash, City of Oxnard

Caesar Hernandez, City of Santa Paula Kamran Panah, City of Simi Valley Tom Mericle, City of Ventura Cliff Finley, City of Thousand Oaks David Fleisch, County of Ventura

Fred Bral, Caltrans

Ben Cacatian, Ventura County Air Pollution Control District

MEMBERS ABSENT: City of Fillmore

City of Ojai

City of Port Hueneme California Highway Patrol Gold Coast Transit District

Port of Hueneme

**VCTC STAFF PRESENT:** Peter De Haan, Program Director

Judy Johnduff, Program Analyst

#### ITEM 1 CALL TO ORDER

Chair Mericle called the meeting to order at 9:03 a.m.

#### ITEM 2 INTRODUCTIONS & ANNOUNCEMENTS

Ms. Johnduff, VCTC, announced that the information submitted for the 2017 Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) has been approved and includes correct information for projects that have not changed. New and amended projects may be adopted in February. She said that the City of Ventura and the City of Oxnard submitted Active Transportation Projects (ATP) for Metropolitan Planning Organizations (MPO) funding. The County of Ventura and The City of Thousand Oaks will be receiving Southern California Association of Governments (SCAG) funding for planning projects.

Mr. Corrigan announced that the City of Moorpark has hired Daniel Kim as a Design Engineer.

Mr. Fleish announced that the County of Ventura will be managing a phase of the 101 Widening Project on behalf of VCTC and will be hiring an Engineering Manager. He said that regular updates will be brought to the Committee.

Mr. Cacatian, VCAPCD, announced the release of the 2016 Ventura County Air Quality Management Plan.

Mr. Matsuoka announced that the Camarillo Library is not available for the Caltrans Quarterly meeting on Thursday, February 9<sup>th</sup>.

## ITEM 3 PUBLIC COMMENT

None.

#### ITEM 4 AGENDA ADJUSTMENTS

None.

## ITEM 5 APPROVAL OF MINUTES

#### **ACTION**

Fleisch moved, seconded by Mericle, to approve the December 15, 2016 meeting minutes.

#### ITEM 6 CALTRANS LOCAL ASSISTANCE UPDATES

None.

# ITEM 7 ELECTION OF OFFICERS

#### **ACTION**

Fleisch moved, seconded by Matsuoka, that Finley be the Transportation Technical Advisory Committee Chair. The motion passed unanimously.

# **ACTION**

<u>Finley moved, seconded by Matsuoka, that Mericle be the Transportation Technical</u>
Advisory Committee Vice Chair. The motion passed unanimously.

Mr. Finley began as Chair immediately following the election.

#### ITEM 8 PROPOSED 2017 SCHEDULE OF MEETINGS

The Committee will meet at 9:00 a.m. on the third Thursday of each month.

#### ITEM 9 STATUS OF DELEGATION TO CALTRANS OF NEPA APPROVAL

Mr. De Haan provided a status update regarding the delegation of NEPA approval to Caltrans in 2007, which ceased to have effect as of January 1, 2017. He said that Caltrans is no longer performing federal responsibilities for environmental decisions and approvals on highway projects in California, funded by the Federal Highway Administration (FHWA).

Mr. De Haan asked the Committee to provide him with a list of projects that may be held up because they cannot get environmental clearance so that he may forward it to Caltrans.

#### Discussion

The Committee discussed seeking extensions from the California Transportation Commission (CTC) and the inability of staff to know if a project will require environmental clearance.

## ITEM 10 CAMARILLO'S SANTA ROSA ROAD WIDENING PROJECT PRESENTATION

Mr. Maple, City of Camarillo, presented the Santa Rosa Road Widening project. He said that the road would be widened from two lanes to four lanes with bike lanes, two retaining walls, a sidewalk, and a raised median. He said that the project is about 4,000 linear feet.

Mr. Maple provided the project timeline. He said that the environmental and design services began in 2010, CEQA MND was adopted in 2013, TCE's and Property acquisition took place in 2014, the bid was awarded in 2015, and construction is estimated to be complete in Spring 2017. He also stated that five bids were received and the average bid was \$4,213,301.58 with Granite Construction submitting a low bid of \$3,451,044. Federal funds allotted for the project were \$2,500,000.

Mr. Maple gave an overview of the retaining wall construction process. He said that the challenge with the project was the soil's lack of cohesion. He shared construction and post-construction photos of the site.

#### Discussion

The Committee discussed 1) the types and purposes of the materials used to construct the retaining walls, 2) environmental constraints, 3) potential for land development, 4) ordinances governing the height of the wall, 5) wall-face drainage, and 6) funding.

# ITEM 11 FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

Mr. De Haan recommended that the Committee attend a joint meeting with the Transit Operators Advisory Committee (TRANSCOM) in March to discuss funding priorities, specifically CMAQ and Article 3 funding. The Committee discussed potential future agenda items as follows:

- City of Thousand Oaks' Undergrounding Project
- County of Ventura's 3-in-1 Santa Clara project

- Caltrans' Route 118 project status
- City of Ventura's California Street Off Ramp Relocation Project
- Highway 101/State Route 23 Interchange Improvement Project

# ITEM 13 ADJOURNMENT

Chair Finley adjourned the meeting at 10:05 a.m.

