



**MINUTES**  
**ATHERTON TRANSPORTATION COMMITTEE**  
**Tuesday, November 12, 2013 at 6:00 PM**  
**CITY COUNCIL CHAMBERS - 94 ASHFIELD ROAD**

**1.0 PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE AND ROLL CALL:**

**Council Members:** Cary Wiest;

**Committee Members:** Gary Lauder, Michael Lempres, John Ruggeiro (Committee Vice Chair)  
Larry Sweeney (Committee Chair), Mary Widmer

- a. Meeting called to order at 6:01pm.
- b. Committee Member Lauder was not present.

**2.0 APPROVAL OF MINUTES:** Minutes of September 2013 meeting

- a. The minutes of the September 2013 meeting were approved without discussion.

**3.0 COMMITTEE REPORTS:**

**3.1 Atherton Future Transportation Issues Subcommittee (AFTIS)**

- a. This item was not discussed.

**4.0 PUBLIC COMMENTS/CORRESPONDENCE:** Open discussion items not on the agenda

- a. There were no Public Comments or Public Correspondence.

**5.0 PRESENTATIONS:**

**5.1 CAL-TRANS - Stoplight – Selby/ECR**

- a. Presentation made by Katie Yim from CalTrans.
- b. The intersection of El Camino Real and Selby Lane meets the warrants for a traffic signal.
- c. While there is currently no cost estimate for the traffic signal, CalTrans would like the Town of Atherton to fund 25% of the total cost, plus part of the on-going maintenance and operational costs.
- d. If the Town of Atherton and the County of San Mateo do not want to participate financially for the installation of the traffic signal, the District Manager for CalTrans will decide whether or not to go forward with the installation of the traffic signal.
- e. The County of San Mateo has contacted CalTrans and stated they will not pay for any of the installation costs, but will pay for a portion of the on-going maintenance and operational costs. This decision is based on the intersection traffic counts and volumes.
- f. The Transportation Committee made a motion expressing an interest in supporting safety improvements at the intersection of El Camino Real and Selby Lane. The Transportation Committee asked for assistance from CalTrans in gathering information on collisions at the intersection of El Camino Real and Selby Lane. Furthermore, the Transportation Committee may conduct a survey of local residents and engage in discussions with the County of San Mateo regarding the installation of a traffic signal at the intersection of El Camino Real and Selby Lane.

**6.0 AGENDA ITEMS:**

**6.1 OLD BUSINESS: (STATUS OF)**

- a. Street light post missing from Linden Avenue/Elm Place – G. Siebert
  - a. A maintenance contract was awarded to Cal West at the last City Council Meeting. The parts have been ordered for the street light at Linden Avenue and Elm Place. Additionally, the parts have been ordered for the street light at James Avenue and Greenoaks Drive. These street lights will possibly be installed in December of 2013.
- b. Possible left turn lane from Encinal into the school – G. Siebert
  - a. “No Stopping” signs have been ordered to replace the “No Parking” signs on the south side of Encinal Avenue.
  - b. City Engineer Siebert will be talking with Encinal School officials to discuss traffic concerns and possible roadway improvements.

**6.2 NEW BUSINESS:**

- a. There was no New Business.

**7.0 STAFF REPORTS:**

**7.1 Police Traffic Unit**

Monthly Report for September, October 2013

- a. Sergeant Kockler went over the Monthly Traffic Reports for September and October of 2013.

**7.2 Public Works Updates: Gordon Siebert**

- a. Alameda de las Pulgas and Stockbridge Avenue
  - a. City Engineer Siebert went over the recommendations listed in the report dated October 15, 2013.
  - b. All recommended items in the report should be completed in December of 2013.
- b. Update – Bicycle Advisory Committee meeting held October 3
  - a. Per Committee Chair Sweeney, a Ride/Walk Survey was completed on Saturday, November 9, 2013.
  - b. A question was raised about decreasing the amount of through lanes on El Camino Real from 3 in each direction (6 total) to 2 in each direction (4 total). City Engineer Siebert said he was researching this item, but stated there might be a Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) in place between the Town of Atherton and CalTrans which forbids the decrease of lanes. City Engineer Siebert stated another solution might be to reduce lane width. These items are being considered to increase pedestrian and bicyclist safety along El Camino Real.
- c. Hybrid Beacon
  - a. This item was discussed during the presentation by Katie Yim of CalTrans (Item 5.1 above). A Pedestrian Hybrid Beacon has been proposed to be installed at the intersection of El Camino Real and Selby Lane if a full Traffic Signal Device is not installed. Per City Engineer Siebert, the Town of Atherton currently has the funds in place for the Pedestrian Hybrid Beacon.

**8.0 NEXT MEETING DATE: January 14, 2014**

**9.0 ACTION ITEMS FROM MEETING:**

- a. No Action Items were announced other than what is listed above.
- b. There was a request by Committee Member Widmer to place the issue of driver awareness/driver education on a future Transportation Committee Meeting agenda.

**10.0 ADJOURNMENT**

- a. The meeting was adjourned at 7:31pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Sgt. Anthony Kockler  
Recording Secretary

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