

PATHWAYS COMMITTEE Regular Meeting Minutes

August 26, 2019 at 7:00pm

City Council Chambers, 26379 Fremont Rd. Los Altos Hills, CA

1. Call to Order (roll call)
 - a. Members
 - i. Alisa Bredo (AB)
 - ii. Nick Dunckel (ND)
 - iii. Ann Duwe (AD)
 - iv. Melissa Dyrdal (MD)
 - v. Bob Elson (BE)
 - vi. Val Metcalfe (VM)
 - vii. Bridget Morgan (BM)
 - viii. Judy Nagy (JN)
 - ix. Richard Partridge (RP)
 - b. Associate Members
 - i. Susan Cretekos
 - c. TC Liaison
 - i. Roger Spreen
 - d. Staff
 - i. Nichol Bowersox
 - e. Public
 - i. Kjell Karlsson
 - ii. Jim Washura - La Cresta
 - iii. Les Earnest - Diane Dr
 - iv. Sue Welsh
 - v. Nina Sutaria - 13581 Wildcrest
 - vi. Alan Epstein - Ravensbury
2. Agenda Review
3. Review & Approval of Minutes of:
 - a. Jul 22, 2019 - AD moved the minutes be approved. VM seconded. The minutes were approved. (AD, ND, MD, BE, BM, VM, JN, RP)(AB abstained as she did not have time to read the minutes prior to the meeting)
4. Ex Parte Communications
 - a. AD - Kavita, Michelle, and George regarding Rhus Ridge
 - b. BE - spoken to all of the council members regarding Story Hill
 - c. BM - Courtney and Kavita regarding Rhus Ridge
5. Announcements/Updates
 - a. Town Staff Updates - New assistant Planner Janelle Green was hired to replace Jeremy Koch working on Sewer and Public Works and Dylan Parker is leaving town staff. Nicol will forward a PDF for a Prop 68 Rec trials and Green way grant application for projects focused on missing connections to other locations like

parks or other activities. The call for projects closes in October. AD moved that RP and BE be our subcommittee for Prop 68 grant projects. Approved unanimously. (AB, AD, ND, MD, BE, BM, VM, JN, RP) Jacob is finishing the WestWind Paddocks. Nicol will meet with Jacob about some of the smaller approved projects and will look to see if we need to send an RFP out for some of the other projects.

- b. Schedule for Planning Commission and City Council review of unresolved areas. Steve Padovan has the schedule. AB will touch base with Steve and get the current schedule. BM feels there is a need to notify homeowners in the areas before the PC meeting.
 - c. Maintenance and Enforcement Issues
 - i. Update on blocked paths - Buena Vista pathway easement was accepted at the last TC meeting. Property owner on Matedero creek is working with code enforcement to resolve this issue and get it resolved.
 - d. GIS map update - Steve is actively working with the consultant on the GIS system.
6. New Business
- a. Property Review
 - i. 12360 Priscilla Ln, New Residence, Lands of Chawla, File SD19-0046. Long flag lot, no pathways near the house , not MPP, No connectivity. Not easements. ND moved that 12360 pay a pathway fee. AD seconded. The motion approved unanimously. (AB, AD, ND, MD, BE, BM, VM, JN, RP)
 - ii. 14519 Manuella Rd, Landscape Screening, Lands of Niu, File SD19-0047 - Should not have come to PWC.
 - iii. 26634 Snell Ct, Landscape Screening, Lands of Campbell/Zhou, File SD19-0050 - Should not have come to PWC.
 - iv. 25621 Deerfield Dr, New Pool & Hardscape, Lands of Carey, File SD19-0051 - Should not have come to PWC.
7. Old Business
- a. Review of Master Path Plan Areas Pending Review at Planning Commission and/or City Council:
 - i. Story Hill Lane Investigation - BE shared a slide presentation regarding easements already held and submitted plans as he was asked by TC to review Story Hill and give his feedback. VM moves that BE presents the information for Story Hill unresolved area which he has reviewed tonight. MD seconded. The motion was approved unanimously. (AB, AD, ND, MD, BE, BM, VM, JN, RP)
 - ii. E. Sunset to Dianne Dr - AD shared a slide presentation with a one slight correction. This was approved by a majority of the PWC members in 2016. AD has approval to walk it from 13040 (who would like the path staked), 12800 has a renter but the home owner seems supportive. 13208 was concerned about trucks for neighbors building project. 13210 architect was approached for easement during their development. It is

believed this will go before the PC in September. AD would like a contour map for the presentation. AD would like to stake the path. VM and AD will continue to talk to the neighbors. RP will try to find comments from previous PC meetings. VM moves we appoint AD to represent the PWC for E. Sunset to Diane Dr. MD seconded. Approved unanimously. (AB, AD, ND, MD, BE, BM, VM, JN, RP)

- iii. La Loma to Rhus Ridge - This went to TC last week and ended in a tie 2-2 vote. There is consensus that this pathway will be dropped and not included in the final MPP. Legal council weighed in on what happens with a tie vote and this segment will be dropped.
 - iv. Northcrest Ln. - There is an emergency access easement but not a pathway easement. MD is going to look into who needs to grant access on the emergency access easement. RP moved that we ask the PC to defer action on the Northcrest lane MPP so we have time to research easement issues along this path. BE seconded. BM mentioned that the terrain is steep and PWC members should go look. The motion was approved unanimously. (AB, AD, ND, MD, BE, BM, VM, JN, RP)
- b. Review of Pathways Fee Update - There as discussion about what is the goal of this discussion. BE presented to the PWC on the Nexus Study and that study was sent to Deborah. He felt the fees proposed by Nexus were too low. Some members believe 1.1 does not need to change. Having town build paths as CIP projects will overwhelm staff, need TC approval, will cost more, and will lead to neighborhood conflict. There are concerns about the cost numbers used in the study are way too low by nearly half of what some members believe they should be. It was mentioned that the population growth numbers are not accurate. Basing pathways on population is not a good fit because the goal of pathways is not to relieve congestion. The goals for pathways is for movement and connectivity. Alan Epstein feels the study is flawed and does not detail how much money is expected with this proposal. He believes the way to resolve the pathway fee issues is to charge an annual assessment to all residents. This type of fee would need to be voted on during an election. VM mentioned that staff report dated Aug 1st from the PC mentioning that PWC members were notified and that is completely untrue as no members received notice. MD moved BE presents his numbers to council. RP seconded. The motion was approved. (AB, AD, ND, MD, BE, VM, JN, RP) (BM voted no as she did not have enough time to review the presentation details.)
- c. PWC Member Updates on CIP Project Suggestions for 2019-2020 - no reports due to time constraints
- i. Chapin & Robleda (Committee Member Duwe)
 - ii. Edgerton Roadside Path (Committee Member Bredo)
 - iii. Byrne Park Plunge (Committee Member Dyr Dahl)
 - iv. Foothill Park Connection (Committee Member Partridge)
 - v. La Paloma connections (Committee Member Nagy)

- vi. Committee Members Wilkerson, Morgan, Metcalfe, Dunckel and Elson will inform the chair and the committee of their CIP suggestions
- d. 5 Year Plan - Suggestions
- 8. Presentations from the Floor - none
- 9. Open Discussion - no reports due to time constraints
- 10. Reports from Other Meetings - no reports due to time constraints
 - a. VTA Meeting
 - b. City Council
 - c. Planning Commission
 - d. Fast Track
- 11. Pathway Promotion & Communications
 - a. Hoedown is coming Sept 7. AB will be there. Please join her if you can.
 - b. New Year's Day Walk - no report
- 12. Topics of Interest
- 13. Next Pathway Walk: Sep 21, 2019
- 14. Next Pathway Meeting: Sep. 23, 2019
- 15. Adjournment