

Alpine Community Planning Group

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REGULAR MEETING MINUTES

Thursday, October 22, 2015 at 6:00pm

1. Meeting was called to order @ 6:05pm
2. Invocation / Pledge of Allegiance
3. Roll Call of Members:

Present:

Glenda Archer	George Barnett	Roger Garay	Charles Jerney
Travis Lyon	Jennifer Martinez	Mike Milligan	Tom Myers
Jim Easterling	Lou Russo	Richard Saldano	Kippy Thomas
Aaron Dabbs - (arrived after minutes were approved)			

Absent (Excused):

John Whalen Leslie Perricone

4. **Approval of Minutes / Correspondence / Announcements:**

1. Approval of September 24th, 2015 minutes: Motion by Jim Easterling, Second by Mike Milligan, vote by acclamation 12 yes, 0 no, 3 absent (Dabbs not present at time of minutes vote)
2. **ACPG Statement is read aloud:** The Alpine Community Planning Group was formed for the purpose of advising and assisting the Director of Planning, the Zoning Administrator, the Planning Commission and the Board of Supervisors in the preparation, amendment and implementation of community and sub-regional plans. The Alpine Community Planning Group is an advisory body only.
3. **Open Discussion:** None.

5. **Prioritization of this Meeting's Agenda Items:**

1. None.

6. **Organized / Special Presentations:**

1. **Alpine Boulevard Streetscape Improvements Project:**

- i Background: The project proposes to provide streetscape improvements for safe and contiguous pedestrian travel along Alpine Boulevard from Tavern Road to approx. 250 feet east of Rock Terrace Road in the Alpine Community Planning Area. Project improvements include installation of limited sections of curbs, gutters, sidewalks and retaining walls; installation of pedestrian bridges to span drainage areas; and installation of a storm drain pipe beneath a section of the existing paved road. Project improvements also include the replacement of some existing driveway sections and installation of permeable parking pavers in select areas. The project will be constructed in phases.
- ii For this meeting Michael Long from the Department of Public Works made a presentation to the group regarding the staff proposals for this project and answered questions throughout the meeting.

To simplify review, the project was broken down into individual sections by county staff. The majority of discussion focused on the section of the boulevard in the general area of Rock Terrace Blvd. and 250' to the East along Alpine Blvd. County staff presented 2 different options for this section of the boulevard. Option A proposed a cantilevered walkway along south side of the boulevard through this section and maintaining the existing path of travel for vehicles. Option B proposed a traditional sidewalk along this section, but would require shifting the path of travel towards the north side of the street and would result in the loss of approximately 14 parking spots on the north side of the street.

A motion was made to consider this section of the project first, apart from the rest of the project. Motion by Travis Lyon, Second Jim Easterling. Vote by acclamation. Vote passed 13 yes, 0 no, 2 absent.

Public testimony was heard from members of the public, including affected property owners, consultants, & nearby business owners. The group deliberated between option A and option B.

A motion to approve option B was made by Travis Lyon, Second by Jim Easterling. A roll call vote was taken. 7 yes, 4 no (Dabbs, Archer, Jerney, Milligan), 2 abstain (Easterling, Thomas), 2 absent. The vote failed to reach the minimum votes required to make a formal recommendation. The group deliberated further and another vote was taken on the same motion. A roll call vote was taken. The motion to approve option B for this section passed. 12 yes, 1 no (Jerney), 2 absent.

The group considered the remaining sections of the project and deliberated further on the staff recommendations. A motion to approve staff's recommendations for the entire project incorporating Option B for the section around Rock Terrace Blvd. and 250' to the East was made by Jim Easterling, Second by Richard Saldano. Vote by acclamation. Passed 13 yes, 0 no, 2 absent.

The group discussed an issue regarding the narrow walkway along Tavern Road and Alpine Creek Lane. Although not part of the streetscape improvement project, the narrow walkway has been an ongoing safety concern for pedestrians in the community, especially related to the fact that this is part of a route students take to walk to Joan MacQueen Middle School and Boulder Oaks Elementary. A motion was made to communicate to the county the group's opinion that the need for a pedestrian bridge at this location should be prioritized over other public work projects as it relates to student safety. Motion by Travis Lyon, Second by Jim Easterling. Vote by acclamation. Passed 13 yes, 0 No, 2 absent.

7. **Group Business:** Subcommittee Members: None
8. **Consent Calendar:** Nothing to discuss
9. **Subcommittee Reports:** None
10. **Officer Reports:** None
11. **Open Discussion 2:** None
12. **Request for Agenda Items for Upcoming Agendas:** None
13. **Approval of Expenses / Expenditures:** None
14. **Announcement of Meetings:**
 1. **December 10, 2015 @ 6:00pm (tentative)** Alpine Community Planning Group
 2. None ACPG Subcommittees
 3. November 13, 2015 Planning Commission
 4. October 27 & 28 and November 17 and 18 Board of Supervisors
15. **Adjournment:** Motion to adjourn: Motion Jim Easterling , Second by Travis Lyon Motion Passed 13/0 by acclamation **Adjourned @ 8:05 pm**