

Ramona Community Planning Group
Ramona State Routes Subcommittee
Agenda for 2/3/2021 at 6:00 pm
FINAL Meeting Minutes

Access for Public and Committee Members
Call-in # 978-990-5330
Access Code - 8612750

1. Pledge of Allegiance led by Lynn Hopewell
2. Establish a quorum – Torry Brean, Lynn Hopewell, Robin Joy Maxson, Dan Summers, and Maya Phillips
3. Assign minute taking – Lynn Hopewell volunteered
4. Identify any public participants - None
5. Approval of minutes from 1/6/21
Approval of minutes postponed until February 24, 2021 meeting as members didn't receive them.
6. Update on invitations to SANDAG voting members.
Per Dan Summers have gotten two responses. One suggested we attend a meeting sponsored by Jim Desmond. It was suggested we meet in North County. Dan has talked to Jim and it's being considered. Other suggestion was instead of meeting with "them" meet with SANDAG. Per Dan that's not what we want. We want to meet with SANDAG to make our case regarding the San Vicente/Hwy 67 corridor. Torry suggested that if we let them know we've met with SANDAG already and we'd just like a 10-minute phone call and promise not to go over that. Robin Joy Maxson said exactly what Torry said but there's a lot of new people out there getting a feel for their positions and getting offices setup. Dan agrees that the new officials have a lot on their plate. Robin has a meeting with Joel Anderson as Chair for Ramona Community Planning Group (RCPG). Is there anything we'd like Robin to share with him? Dan said Robin has a reason to meet with him that's not related to the San Vicente/Hwy 67 corridor. Robin that's correct but it's an opportunity since she'll be meeting with Joel. Is there anything we'd like to convey if he asks if there's anything needed for our community? Dan suggested maybe not bring up the corridor but bring up a meeting with Joel regarding the San Vicente/Hwy 67 corridor. Maya Phillips said that's nice but what if he doesn't have time. Dan that's the issue but since Robin is meeting with Joel take that opportunity to ask about meeting with us regarding the San Vicente/Hwy 67 corridor. Lynn Hopewell agrees with others on meeting with Joel Anderson regarding the corridor. Torry said he's split. Think we know Joel Anderson is supporting the corridor. Thinks we need to collaborate with him. Ask him what are the next steps? Does he think we need a meeting? Dan shared that every time he meets with Joel, he learns a different angle on things. He may have an angle that we aren't considering. Robin shared that Joel is a SANDAG voting member and asked if a letter was

sent to him. Dan said yes, it was sent between the election and when he was sworn in. Dan can talk to Mike Harrison, who's on Joel's staff about meeting with Joel. Mike covers the Ramona area for Joel's office. Dan thinks we're in agreement that when Robin meets with Joel see if he's in receipt of our letter and would he meet with us regarding the San Vicente/Hwy 67 corridor. The opportunity to meet with him should be taken. Robin shared that when she meets with him it'll be with the other County Chairs. Dan agrees with Torry that we need some follow-up. Also agrees with Robin that they're new in office and probably buried. But don't want it to go a long time. Dan suggests tabling till 2/24/2021 meeting. All members were in agreement.

Dan brought up assignments from next meeting working on the social justice angle on this. Dan was Hispanic organization in community. He spoke to Joel Stubar about it and to his knowledge there's not a single Hispanic organization that he's aware of. Are any of us aware of a Hispanic organization in Ramona. Robin said the only organization is a few of the churches. Dan, that's a good thought. Like Catholic mass in Spanish. Dan will look into churches in Ramona that cater to Hispanic community. In terms of our presentation, 3 parts, the practical issues; evacuation, safety and mobility; social equity/environmental justice issues that are growing in our County and no one / can talk 3 combination of points that Torry brought up. A blend of that will be put together to the voting members of SANDAG.

7. Reports on the Caltrans virtual scoping meeting on 1/27/21. Lynn Hopewell, Robin Joy Maxson, Maya Phillips and Dan Summers attended the virtual meeting. Dan took notes and will share notes with us and then reduce to email form and send to Kristi asking Kristi to forward to RCPG members. Dan provided meeting notes below from the presentation by San Vicente Corridor Project Team

Team Members:

Gustavo Gallarda, Project Manager
Marvin Canton, Environmental Impact Study and Design
TRoss Cather, Caltrans District Division Chief of Design

Scoping Period - 1/14 thru 2/19

4 methods of posting public commentary:

1. On line- www.dot.ca.gov/SR67-improvements
2. Email- D11.SR^&Improvements@dot.ca.gov
3. Voicemail- 619-688-4263
4. Mail - CalTrans, District 11
4050 Taylor Street (MS-242)
San Diego, California 92110
Attention- Debra Soifer

Ross Cather - "As of 1/27/21 nothing about the San Vicente Corridor is written in stone".

All plans must comply with CEQA - California Environmental Quality Act
NEPA - National Environmental Policy Act

EIS - Environmental Impact Study - initial report Summer of 2023

EIR - Environmental impact Report final in Winter of 2024

Plans will be comprised of:

1. Operational Improvements
2. Multimodal Transportation
3. Enhanced Wildlife Crossings

CALTRANS ACKNOWLEDGES THAT SR67 AS CONFIGURED TODAY CANNOT MANAGE EMERGENCY EVACUATION

The scoping period addresses:

- 1) Environment
- 2) Engineering
- 3) Economic

Concepts of Purpose and Need which are the foundation of every transportation project.

Need - identifies problems.

Purpose - resolves the problems.

Overall goal of Purpose and Need is to enhance safety and reduce transit times.

The San Vicente Corridor Project is divided into 6 segments:

1. Mapleview to Willow
2. Willow to Vigilante
3. Vigilante to Scripps Poway Parkway
4. Scripps Poway Parkway to Poway Road
5. Poway Road to Archie Moore
6. Archie Moore to Highland Valley

Conceptual Project Alternatives:

1. Additional lanes
2. Median widening
3. Channelizers
4. Do nothing

Concerns Attached to the Project:

1. Biological resources
2. Community Social Equity
3. Preservation of cultural and historical properties
4. Vehicle miles traveled
5. Greenhouse gas emissions
6. Noise levels and abatement
7. Visual / landscape resources

Robin shared that it was a really good report, CalTrans one of the other reasons are we considering the right thing. Is there anything else regarding engineering, environment, or economics that CalTrans is missing? That were missing. Robin something in noise category and animal crossings. Dan said animal crossings were new to him. Robin shared they specifically mentioned, bobcats, mountain lions and deer. Robin they also discussed landscaping, so people aren't just looking at concrete. Is this something we should look at. Maya said the picture didn't show any walls, just shoulder and lanes. Robin if that came up as mitigation to reduce noise is that an issue. Dan that's something CalTrans looks at but since we're not used to building corridors it's something, we're not aware of. They're

looking at the project and impact on the community. On stretch of Hwy 67 between Archie Moore Rd and Highland Valley Rd. and near Vigilante to Maplevue the corridor goes through a neighborhood area, but more so from Archie Moore to Highland Valley. Whatever they do in that area will impact residents. Robin shared that it's a neighborhood and there would be a difference for that reason. And CalTrans said it's a consideration for the future. Lynn brought up residents getting across lanes. Maya said residents may fear getting across lanes. Dan thinks that there will be a significant amount of private property purchased to widen the road. Dan not sure how close to Hwy 67 the property lines are. Lynn they'll be taking out established oak trees and would like to see CalTrans replace them with at least 24" box trees. Maya shared that the blueprint was quite wide and will be going through a lot of properties. They would either purchase or do eminent domain. The trees are an issue. Dan the existing trees currently reduce the noise. Not sure they'll cut them down and replace with mature trees. Lynn suggested contacting Scotty Ensign for his input. Dan are we considering adding noise abatement? Robin said now were talking about the final design other than the overall safety. If we wanted to look at options as alternatives can look at the CalTrans web site and create pro/con list. Dan what he doesn't want us to do is have a brief meeting and divert from the three main issues. At some point in time during the scoping meetings leave other issues on the table. Maya thinks we need to focus on the big three and the footprint. It provides two lanes of dirt for cars turning left. Dan is talking about meeting with SANDAG. Think the items can be talked about at the scoping meeting.

Torry sending the three points to Dan. Dan, will work on church angle. Robin said that at the Mt. Wood Adhoc meeting Lynn Hopewell and I were at, the County did a presentation on the Mt. Woodson parking area and there are two things we might be interested in; 1) working with the Caltrans point person (Karina Cantero-Angel) for the Mt. Woodson Parking project as this is where the Mt. Woodson Parking project begins to cross into the RSRS project area....basically the talk about whether or not drivers leaving the Mt. Woodson parking lot will be able to make a left turn or will be directed to turn right and 2) once again checking with the Karina Cantero-Angel, Caltrans point person, how far will the parking prohibition be established from the Mt. Woodson Parking lot driveway? How far north and south along SR 67 will the parking prohibition be? This goes into our subcommittee. Dan asked is it West / RSRS domain? Robin said it's both. Something to bring up with CalTrans. Dan is that what they're looking at right now. Robin yes, they hope to have it completed by 2022. Dan, he'll talk to Marvin about this.

8. Report on promoting community involvement in the 1/14 thru 2/19 Caltrans scoping effort.

Dan Summers thinks Ramona is doing good with this. Robin Joy Maxson and Dan wrote a letter that was published in Sentinel. Joe Stupar notified all the businesses in the Chamber of Commerce. Joe also gave them a letter they could send in. In today's paper CalTrans put in a letter about scoping and how to contact regarding input. Joe is working with businesses. Dan does anyone have other ideas. Robin asked if Dan's speaking to Marvin? Dan yes, Marvin wanted to come and speak with us to make sure people are getting

involved with the scoping. Dan asked him how many scoping comments did he receive? Marvin didn't have the number but will check and let Dan know. Dan calling Marvin tomorrow regarding Mt. Woodson parking and will try to get number than.

9. Future agenda items

Bring forward approval of minutes from January 6, 2021.

Revisit update on invitations to SANDAG voting members.

Lynn Hopewell suggested Dan Summers attend next Mt. Woodson Adhoc meeting since the roadway is part of the RSRS project. Robin Joy Maxson will have Kristi Mansolff send out Mt. Woodson Adhoc agenda so other RCPG members can attend if they want. Dan would like to attend if room. Lynn will make sure that Dan is aware of date and time.

10. Concerns of members

Dan Summers shared about the monthly Stake Holder meeting tomorrow from 1:30-2:30pm updates are included in the meeting. Would be good to listen to. Also sent contact info to join. Robin asked Torry Brean if he attended last one. Torry said no he didn't. Robin shared that it's a working meeting and they want input.

11. Adjournment

Motion to adjourn made by Lynn Hopewell, 2nd by Robin Joy Maxson. Meeting adjourned at 7:05pm.