

***Crescenta Valley Town Council
Streets & Transportation Committee***

Meeting Minutes

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Tuesday, July 27, 2021 6:00-7:00p.m.

I. Welcome/Introductions- Desiree Rabinov-

Attendees: Council-Donna Libra, Harry Leon, and Desiree Rabinov, Residents: Kathy Lee, Estineh Mailian, Star DeRose, Ed Gonzalez, Jennifer Ho, Dede Mueller, Melody McComak, Frank Sulzberger. County Staff: Shirley Lai, Jonathan Gonzalez, and Olga Cruz.

II. Agenda overview/additions/changes-All- None were provided.

III. Update on Open Issues

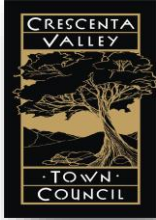
a) County DPW staff liaisons/ CVTC updates- Jonathan Gonzalez

- County DPW staff-CVTC Streets/Intersections list update, report findings, and site visits conducted and outcomes. Jonathan reported having more information and presentation on the Curbs and gutters process at the next meeting. He had no new updates to the matrix list other than traffic counts conducted during April 2021 that will be redone according to the new school schedule received from GUSD.

- Discuss New requests from Community and Council- All- Council and committee members submitted no new recommendations.

b) Orange Avenue, La Crescenta Pedestrian improvements and Pavement resurfacing Update and Grant application for Stormwater Capture drywells and bioswales project:

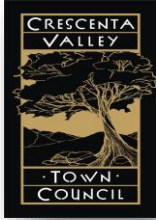
Shirley Lai reported for Andrew Ross that the design concept is in development and that she will have a better timeline when it will be completed at our next month's meeting. Dede Mueller expressed her opposition to having bulb-outs at the corner of La Crescenta and Orange because she believes it will cause more traffic by slowing cars at the



intersection and by making right or left turns on Orange, thereby reducing a lane. Donna Libra agreed with Dede Mueller and is opposed to it. Shirley indicated that this was a resident request, and she has duly noted their input as they are going through the planning design process. Shirley also stated staff would be having future outreach meetings to receive feedback through the planning process. Desiree said that an outreach meeting was conducted in May, and notices were sent to social and print media, posted on our website, and announced at the CVTC General Meeting. Dede Mueller and Donna Libra thought that other residents weren't aware, and more outreach is needed. Also, they requested the people's names who want this project. Desiree clarified that this request was submitted to the County staff three years ago, and county staff will not disclose their names as a privacy policy. Desiree reminded the members that CVTC's role is to assist the County staff with outreach and receiving input from the community.

- c) Sidewalks to access Mountain Avenue Elementary-Estineh Mailian /Shirley Lai-Estineh Mailian, resident, presented a Powerpoint presentation of the streets that are highly impacted by cars to get to Mountain Avenue Elementary School. She indicated the current situation prevents kids' safe passage by walking to the school. She identified streets without sidewalks and some that are there but are irregular not connected around the school. Estineh Mailian submitted this request to the County a year ago; however, it was misplaced. Shirley Lai will coordinate with the County department in charge of investigating sidewalks further to inform Estineh on the process, and feasibility of the streets suggested in the ppt. Resident comments: Melody McComak was in support of pursuing a study of having sidewalks. Star Derosé suggested that parents walk their children to school and that it didn't seem necessary to have sidewalks. Donna Libra is opposed to sidewalks because she believes they will expand to other streets, and nobody wants them. Desiree Rabinov shared that the GUSD has a Safe Routes to School program map and provides educational materials for parents and kids to safely walk to school through school orientation and PTA.

IV. Old Business



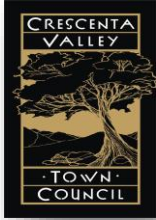
- d) Metro Open Streets Grant application timeline update and project costs- John Burton/Shirley Lai- Shirley Lai reported for Andrew Ross that the grant applications are due on September 15. Currently, staff has hired a consultant to determine the costs associated with implementing an open street. The City of La Canada is considered a partnering agency. However, their commitment is not confirmed, and John Burton from County Planning is working closely with the City to secure their response for an update at next month's meeting. The Metro grant workshop is on August 18, and staff will consider attending.
- e) Soundwall -Metro additional funding agreement update- Ricardo Gordillo/ Shirley Lai – Shirley reported for Ricardo and stated that at the Jue Metro board meeting, they approved an MOU extension of funds. Shirley will look into the timeline for the preliminary design concepts for the walls.
- f) Foothill Blvd., (Glendale, La Crescenta, and La Canada) Compete Streets LA County Master Plan- Existing conditions draft report -Andrew Ross/Shirley Lai—

--Shirley Lai reported for Andrew Ross that we could anticipate in Fall to receive the Existing Conditions report and conducting community outreach meetings. Currently, the cities of Glendale and La Canada are reviewing it and providing input/revisions to the draft for final review by the County staff.
- g) Measure M funding update related to AVCJPA-Short Range Transportation Plan projects - Andrew Ross/ Shirley Lai—No updates were provided. Desiree mentioned that their next meeting is scheduled for August 5 at 4pm.

V. New Business

- a) County Vision Zero Slow Streets update-Shirley Lai –

Shirley had no further updates. However, Donna Libra asked staff to remove three Slow Streets signs on her street and adjacent as requested from several neighbors that it's obstructing traffic flow and visibility. Shirley suggested she contact the Vision Zero program link and email to submit her request. Shirley provided the contact.
- b) Crosswalk enhancement Glendale examples- Jonathan Gonzalez/Desiree Rabinov— Jonathan continues to explore the regulatory options and viability to consider a pilot program similar to Glendale. He will have more information at next month's meeting.



- VI. Other- Desiree suggested having Justin Robertson present on the County Public Health's Step by Step program on Active Transportation program Community Pedestrian Plan for the next meeting.
- VII. Next Meeting- **Tuesday, August 24, 2021**- Virtual Zoom -- 6 pm (*note change to third week*)
- VIII. Adjournment – The meeting adjourned at 7:00 p.m.