



## CITY OF ELK GROVE TRAILS COMMITTEE

### Committee Members:

Mark Mendenhall, Chair | Sharon Anderson, Vice Chair  
Lisa Dixon | Timothy Jordan | Steve Zehnder

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**Regular Meeting of the Trails Committee**  
**Monday, September 17, 2007 at 6:30 p.m.**  
**City Council Chambers, Elk Grove City Hall, 8400 Laguna Palms Way, Elk Grove, CA**

### MINUTES

1. **CALL TO ORDER/ROLL CALL:** Chair Mendenhall called the meeting to order at 6:37 PM with Committee Member Zehnder absent.

2. **PUBLIC COMMENT FOR ITEMS NOT ON THE AGENDA:**

Fred Bremerman, Management Analyst for the Cosumnes Community Service District (CSD), noted the CSD's Parks Master Plan development process is approximately halfway complete. The consultant hired by the CSD, Leon Younger, has worked on over 500 master plans. The greatest need identified by the community has been walking, biking, and hiking trails (#1 of 23 needs). Committee Member Dixon inquired as to the place of the City of Elk Grove's Trails Master Plan in this document. Mr. Bremerman noted the CSD is evaluating the appropriate timing to adopt the Trails Master Plan to ensure the City and CSD operate effectively as partners.

Vice Chair Anderson noted that her new job deals with reducing greenhouse gas emissions. Reducing vehicle trips is a significant way of accomplishing this. She noted the Air Quality Resources Board may offer incentives to local governments for things that reduce vehicle trips, such as trails.

John Smoley, Planning, announced Cosumnes River College (CRC) is holding a community workshop for the Los Rios Transportation Connections Plan ( a plan to improve walking, biking, & transit access to CRC) on September 24, 2007 from 6-8 PM in the Orchard Room at CRC. Mr. Smoley also noted the Folsom Auburn Trail Riders Action Coalition is hosting their annual Take a Kid Mountain Biking Day on October 6 at Folsom Lake State Park. He passed out flyers for both events.

3. **APPROVAL OF AGENDA**

Motion: Approve the agenda of the September 17, 2007, Trails Committee Meeting.

Action: Mendenhall/Anderson, 4/0/0

4. **APPROVAL OF MINUTES:**

Motion: Approve the minutes of the Trails Committee Meeting of August 20, 2007.

Action: Anderson/Jordan, 4/0/0

5. **PROJECT UPDATES AND STAFF REPORTS**

A.

Application Number:	EG-07-049
Application Title:	<b>BOND WATERMAN RETAIL</b> Rezone, CUP, DRNR, TPM, UNIFORM SIGN PROGRAM
Assessor's Parcel Number:	127-0010-082 and 127-0010-095
Property Address/Location:	The project is located at the northwest corner of Bond Road and Waterman Road.

Project Description:

**\*\*\*This is the 2<sup>nd</sup> submittal of this project\*\*\*A TPM has been added**

The project consists of a Rezone from AR-5 to SC (Shopping Center) and a Design Review for a 42,440 square foot retail center, which includes a 17,340 sq. ft. Rite Aid with a drive thru and 3 other pad buildings (one with a second drive-thru). The project includes a Conditional Use permit for the drive thrus, a Tentative Parcel Map, and a Uniform Sign Program. Sarah Kirchgessner is the project planner.

Motion: The paved trail is for the use of bicyclists and pedestrians, not horses. Combine the sidewalk and trail into one paved bicycle-pedestrian trail at least ten feet wide separated from the street by a landscape planter.

Action: Mendenhall/Dixon, 4/0/0

- B. Trails Master Plan Priority Trail Project Cost Estimate Update – Gary Grunwald and Jeff Werner, Public Works, updated the Committee on the trail priority project cost estimates begun at the August 2007 Trails Committee meeting. The Committee requested staff change the name of Trails Master Plan priority trail project H from “Garrity Drive to Camden Trail” to “Beckington Drive to Camden Trail.” Priority project “I” – Camden Passage to Cal Fit was discussed for clarity on where the trail should terminate. It was decided that the trail should end at the south end of the existing landscape corridor which serves as a barrier between Cal Fit and the adjacent shopping center to the west. Clarification on the extent of the involvement of the Tegan Estates developer was given related to Priority Project “B” – Tegan Rd. Connector. The Committee made clear that the developer would construct this project, but it would like the Public Works department to oversee their plans to make sure the trail, particularly the Tegan Rd crossing, was suitably built. It was also decided that bridges, where needed, are preferred over culverts or low water crossings, but the Committee is willing to support the secondary if necessary to move forward with the project. The Committee gave their blessing to move forward with further investigating the environmental and right of way impacts/costs for the priority one (1) projects.
- C. Development of Consistent Signage for Bikeways – The Trails Committee discussed the development of consistent signage for bikeways and considered the development of a bikeway numbering system and a map that depicts this. The Committee agreed to research alternatives and consider this item further at their next meeting.

## **6. COMMITTEE MEMBERS' FORUM**

- A. Vice Chair Anderson's Item – The Trails Committee was misquoted in a cover article in the Friday, September 14, 2007 issue of the *Elk Grove Citizen*. Reporting on the Elk Grove Boulevard-Waterman Pharmacy (application #EG-06-1022) the article stated, “Petrovich said members of the Trails Committee approved of the project from day one and blamed the Planning Commission for “disrupting” the project.” This is incorrect. The Trails Committee unanimously resolved to have Vice Chair Anderson draft a letter refuting this claim and reiterating the Trails Committee's position as expressed in the Trails Committee meeting minutes about this item.
- B. Chair Mendenhall's Item – Chair Mendenhall recommended the Trails Committee update the City Council on trails issues through quarterly presentations at City Council meetings. He noted the other standing committees of the City provide updates to the Council. Committee Member Dixon noted her councilmember stated that the Council hears from every committee except for the Trails Committee. The Trails Committee unanimously requested staff provide them with opportunities to make quarterly presentations to City Council and agreed to collect trail signage and situation pictures (examples of good and bad situations such as signage, how trails interface with streets, etc.) for use during these presentations and in comment letters.

## **7. FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS**

- A. Development of consistent signage for bike routes, possibly leading to the development of a map and trail route numbering system.
- B. Vice Chair Anderson noted she would be unable to attend the next Trails Committee meeting due to a conference.

**8. ADJOURNMENT**

The meeting was adjourned at 9:30 PM.

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