

VISION SONORA COMMITTEE
MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF
APRIL, 23, 2015

A regular meeting of the Vision Sonora Committee was scheduled on this date at 9:00 a.m. in the Sonora city Hall Council Chambers.

CALL TO ORDER: The Vision Sonora Committee Meeting was called to order at 9:00 a.m. with the following Committee Members present: Sherri Brennan, Bill Canning, Darin Grossi, Rachelle Kellogg, Tim Miller and Connie Williams. Absent was Committee Member John Gray.

Public Appearances:

A recommendation presented by the public was to have the parking enforced on Washington Street and change the parking restrictions to 3 hour time limit.

1. MINUTES:

Motion: Approve the minutes of February 26, 2015 Vision Sonora Committee Meeting as mailed.

MOTION: Brennan SECOND: Kellogg

VOTE: AYES: Brennan, Kellogg, Canning, Grossi, Miller and Williams
 NOES: None (0)
 ABSTAIN: None (0)
 ABSENT: Gray (1)

11. DISCUSSION ITEMS:

A. Project and funding update related to the Red Church Intersection Project. Washington/Stockton Transit Project and the Shaws Flat Intersection Project.

Committee Member Tim Miller provided Committee Members with an update on funding changes for the Red Church Intersection Project and the Washington/Stockton Transit Project. Due to the loss of CMAQ funding for Tuolumne County the Red Church Intersection Project no longer has funding. There are funds available for the Washington/Stockton Transit Project's preliminary engineering and environment phase however additional funding will be needed to complete the construction phase.

He also informed the Committee that City and TCTC staff have been working with CalTrans to determine whether or not the Shaws Flat Intersection Project would be eligible for funding under an Active Transportation Grant. The City Council also

authorized City Staff to pursue the use of remaining CMAQ funds to acquire a parking lot for a Park and Ride facility in downtown Sonora.

Committee Member Darin Grossi discussed further the reason that the County will no longer be eligible for CMAQ funding and alternative funding that may be available for the future.

Committee Member Bill Canning stated that the Vision Sonora plan is conceptual and will change to meet the public's needs. Funding will drive how projects proceed.

111. ACTION ITEM:

A. Selection of items related to streetscape furnishings, equipment, etc.

Committee Member Connie Williams said the Design Committee has selected bench and trash receptacles designs. They looked at 3 types of benches that they felt would work and they also like the idea of having the City seal on the backs of the benches. They would need to be bolted down and they would like to manufacture them locally if possible. They also suggested the existing city benches that are in good shape should be used in Coffill Park. The Design Committee felt the existing trash receptacles are still good and have that metal/art feel shown in the Plan. They just need to be powder coated. They would also like to add cans for recycling. The colors they liked were rust and black.

MOTION: Recommendation to forward to the City Council for funding consideration

MOTION: Canning SECOND: Grossi

VOTE: AYES: Brennan, Canning, Grossi, Kellogg, Miller, and Williams
 NOES: None (0)
 ABSTAIN: None (0)
 ABSENT: Gray (1)

IV. SUBCOMMITTEES REPORTS:

A. Community Design Committee chaired by Connie Williams

- The Design Committee meets on the 2nd Thursday at 2:00 p.m. at City Hall.
- Looked at transit stop areas and possible need for electric car charging stations at various parking lots.
- Looked at designs for benches, trash receptacles and smoking poles.

B. Tourism, Marketing and Public Outreach chaired by Sherri Brennan

- They did not meet since the last Vision Sonora Committee, would be meeting in May.

C. Finance Committee chaired by Bill Canning

- Has not met yet, but planning a meeting the first week of May.

D. Transportation and Mobility Committee chaired by Darrin Grossi

- Has not met yet, but once the traffic study is complete then they can meet and discuss the various funding projects.

V. INFORMATION & QUESTIONS

Committee Member Tim Miller commented on parking enforcement. The parking enforcement position has not been filled but tickets are being handed out on a regular basis. The Vision Sonora Plan does include a parking management plan. The discussion continued regarding changing the parking from 2 hours to 3 hours along Washington Street. Also the need for a full or part-time parking enforcement person.

Committee Member Connie Williams stated that she has a copy of the Vision Sonora Parking Management Plan available if anyone would like a copy.

Chairperson, Connie Williams, thanked everyone for coming and adjourned the meeting at 10:13 a.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Sheala Wilkinson,
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