VISION SONORA COMMITTEE
MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF
March 8, 2018

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 9:01 a.m. with the following Committee Members present: Connie Williams, Mark Plummer, Darin Grossi and Rachelle Kellogg Absent were Committee Members John Gray, Tim Miller and Sherri Brennan

PUBLIC APPEARANCES:

None

I. MINUTES:

MOTION: Approve the minutes of the December 14, 2017, Vision Sonora Committee Meeting, as mailed.

MOTION: Plummer SECOND: Grossi

VOTE:	AYES:	Plummer, Grossi and Williams (3)
	NOES:	(0) None
	ABSTAIN:	(1) Kellogg
	ABSENT:	(3) Gray, Brennan and Miller

II. PRESENTATION:

None

III. ACTION ITEMS:

A. Presentation by the Community Design and Marketing Committee of their proposed Linoberg Street Improvements. Consideration of a recommendation to the City Council regarding the proposed improvements and temporary or permanent closure of the street.

Ms. Williams stated that under the Vision Sonora Plan Linoberg Street is shown as a closed street for pedestrians only with patio seating. In September the City Council asked the Community Design and Marketing Committee for a conceptual design of what Linoberg might look like.

Laurie Lehmann gave a presentation. Option 1 was a possible convertible street, with shade, lighting and barriers. Shade could be above the street either cut-out metal or fabric material and the barriers could be bollards or

gates that swung inwards and attached to the building.

Option 2 was a closed street with shade, lighting, barriers, street surfacing and furniture. Shade could be trees in large pots; barriers could be bollards or gates. Street surfacing could be stamped concrete and benches around trees or pots were shown.

The following where in favor of a permanent street closure with the following suggested design changes:
Maryann Wright, Sarah Nesper, Laurie Lehmann, Frank Uzardo, Sharon Marovich, and Judy Grossman.

Their recommended changes included; limiting the mural area to the proposed "Windows in History"; to install curb, gutter and sidewalk on Stewart and Washington Streets instead of bollards; high-lighting the existing LINOBERG letters with lights; and, use pots for all trees.

Ms. Wright commented that while some of these ideas might take time it would be nice to just close the street and have it be a work in progress. Funds could be raised to do a nice job instead of rushing.

There was some discussion on parking and adding a parking spaces along Stewart Street and Washington Street where the red zones are now.

Following public comment, the Vision Sonora committee agreed with the recommended changes and requested the Community Design and Marketing Committee to make the changes before bringing it before the City Council.

Ms. Kellogg made a motion to recommend to the City Council a permanent closure of Linoberg Street between Washington Street and Stewart Street, and to incorporate the proposed pedestrian design by the Community Design and Marketing Committee with recommended changes.

MOTION: Kellogg SECOND: Plummer

VOTE:	**AYES:**	Kellogg, Plummer, Grossi and Williams (4)
	NOES:	(0) None
	ABSTAIN:	(0) None
	ABSENT:	(3) Gray, Brennan and Miller

B. Consideration to approve the award of excellence recipients for building maintenance and renovation

Ms. Williams said the three recipients would be:

1. Downtown Plaza on Stockton Street

2. 77/79 Washington Street
3. McGowen House on S. Washington Street

Mr. Grossi made a motion to approve the three awards of excellences recipients. Ms. Kellogg seconded the motion.

MOTION: Grossi SECOND: Kellogg

VOTE:	**AYES:** (4)	**Grossi, Kellogg, Plummer, Williams**
	NOES:	(0) None
	ABSTAIN:	(0) None
	ABSENT:	(3) Gray, Brennan and Miller

IV. SUBCOMMITTEES REPORTS:

A. Community Design and Marketing Committee chaired by Connie Williams

Chair, Connie Williams stated they discussed several projects:

1. Upgrade the website
2. Historic Plaques
3. Linoberg's conceptual design
4. Coffill park sharing library
5. Sierra Conservation Center for the new service club sign

B. Finance, Transportation and Mobility Committee, chaired by Mark Plummer

Chair, Mark Plummer stated they he had met with Mr. Grossi. They will meet with Caltrans in March regarding bulb outs.

V. COMMITTEE MEMBERS REPORTS:

Ms. Kellogg provided project updates.

There being no further business the meeting was adjourned at 10:30 am. The next meeting is April 12th, 2018 at 9:00 a.m.

Respectfully submitted,

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