



## CITY OF ELK GROVE TRAILS COMMITTEE

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Sharon Anderson, Vice Chair  
Mark Doty • Christopher Neumann • Sheri Noblett



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### ELK GROVE TRAILS COMMITTEE SPECIAL MEETING

Monday, February 12, 2024 at 5:30 p.m.

Elk Grove City Hall

8400 Laguna Palms Way, Elk Grove, CA 95758

City Council Chambers

### AGENDA

1. CALL TO ORDER / ROLL CALL

2. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

3. PUBLIC COMMENT

Members of the public may comment on matters that are not included on the agenda that the Trails Committee has jurisdiction over. Each speaker will be limited to one (1) three (3) minute comment opportunity.

4. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

4.1 REGULAR MEETING MINUTES OF SEPTEMBER 18, 2023.

5. DEVELOPMENT PROJECT/CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT PROJECT REVIEW

NONE.

6. PROJECT UPDATES, INFORMATIONAL ITEMS AND PRESENTATIONS

**6.1 Trails Wayfinding and Signage Reference Manual**

Staff will provide an update on the development of a Trails Wayfinding and Signage Reference Manual. The goal is to implement a wayfinding program along key trail corridors that is designed to facilitate easy travel walking or biking, with consideration for walking/biking times and distances to nearby destinations, as well as connections to other trails and on-street facilities. Staff is seeking input on wayfinding concepts from the Trails Committee.

**6.2 Electric Devices on Trails Policy**

Staff will provide an update on relevant policies and legislation related to the use of electric devices on trails.

**6.3 Letter of Support for Laguna Creek Inter-Regional Trail Segment 4 (Waterman Road to Sierra River Drive) Grant Application**

Staff is preparing a grant application for the Carbon Reduction Program to further the design of the Laguna Creek Inter-Regional Trail Segment 4 (Waterman Road to Sierra River Drive) and is seeking a letter of support from the Trails Committee.

**6.4 May is Bike Month**

May is celebrated as Bike Month nationwide and the Sacramento region is coming together again to celebrate with a variety of events. Staff is seeking input from the Trails Committee on ways to promote May is Bike Month.

## 6.5 Trails Committee Annual Report to City Council

Review and discussion of the Annual Trails Committee update to be prepared and presented by the Committee Chair, scheduled for the April 24, 2024, City Council meeting.

### 7. FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

*The Trails Committee may provide direction to staff for future agenda items.*

### 8. ADJOURNMENT

#### ADA COMPLIANCE STATEMENT

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**REGULAR MEETING MINUTES  
MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 18, 2023**

The meeting was called to order by the Chair at 6:00 p.m. with the following participants:

**Trails Committee Members Present:** Chair Mark Mendenhall, Vice Chair Sharon Anderson, and Committee Members Mark Doty and Chris Neumann (arrived at 6:04pm after roll call)

**Trails Committee Members Absent:** Sheri Noblett

**City Staff/Consultants/Advisory Members:** Kaley Lyons, Senior Transportation Planner  
Joseph Daguman, Associate Planner

**APPROVAL OF AGENDA**

***MOTION: M/S Doty/Anderson*** to approve the agenda as presented. ***The motion passed by the following vote: Ayes: 3 (Doty, Anderson, Mendenhall); Noes: 0; Absent: 2 (Noblett, Neumann).***

**PUBLIC COMMENT**

There was no public comment.

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

**ITEM 4.1 – REGULAR MEETING MINUTES OF AUGUST 21, 2023**

***MOTION: M/S Mendenhall/Anderson*** to approve the Regular Meeting Minutes of August 21, 2023. ***The motion passed by the following vote: Ayes: 3 (Doty, Mendenhall, Anderson); Noes: 0; Absent: 2 (Noblett, Neumann).***

**DEVELOPMENT/CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT PROJECT REVIEW**

**ITEM 5.1 8767 Excelsior Road Map**

Joseph Daguman presented the item, indicating the current house would remain and there would be an Irrevocable Offer of Dedication (IOD) for a future trail.

Vice Chair Anderson indicated she had no concerns and was glad it was being put in.

Chair Mendenhall said the trail was designated, but each property developed differently and at different times and asked what would happen in the time between now and the trail being put in. He asked if improvements were being made to Excelsior Road based on the rural road standards without the trail. Staff said they would check on the timing and provide the information to the Committee.

Chair Mendenhall discussed the rural roads policy development and expressed desire for a trail on the side.

Vice Chair Anderson said she was glad to see Excelsior Road as north-south connection.

Member Doty asked if there would be improvements on Excelsior Road as part of this project. Mr. Daguman said there would be lane widening as part of the project. Member Doty expressed concern about the zipper effect of lane widths when street cross sections change through various segments.

## **PROJECT UPDATES, INFORMATIONAL ITEMS, AND PRESENTATIONS**

### **ITEM 6.1 Update on WAM010 Pedestrian Crossing Upgrades at 4 Locations**

Kaley Lyons provided an update on the project. The project locations include three Ryland Trail crossings (Laguna Park Drive, Adobe Springs Way, and Bertwin Way) and one Laguna Creek Trail crossing at Stonebrook Drive. Ms. Lyons said bids for construction were opened on September 6, 2023 and all bids exceeded the engineer's cost estimate. She said staff would be making a recommendation to City Council on October 11, 2023 to add additional funding and award the construction contract. If approved by City Council, staff would expect construction to begin within two to three months following award, pending weather conditions. Once construction begins, it is anticipated to take three to five months to complete.

### **ITEM 6.2 Update on Non-Capital Grant Funded Projects**

Ms. Lyons provided an update on four projects:

#### **1. E-Ride: Electric Bike and Scooter Lending Library**

She said the City was awarded grant funding to establish an electric bike and scooter lending library and acceptance of the grant funds would be on the City Council agenda the following week. The project includes the purchase of thirty (30) electric bikes/trikes and scooters for residents over 18 years old to rent for free for up to two weeks to experience new ways to get around town. She said the project will also add bike parking and organize some social rides and outreach events. Ms. Lyons added that the city will also be receiving formula grant funds that will be used to establish a rebate program for residents purchasing an electric bicycle.

Vice Chair Anderson asked if there was a way to enforce helmet use and speed limits on trails for people renting from the lending library. Ms. Lyons said she would explore options.

#### **2. Trails Wayfinding and Signage Reference Manual**

Ms. Lyons announced the Trails Wayfinding and Signage Reference Manual, indicating the project would result in a unified branding for trail signs with a reference manual to be used by the City's Operations and Maintenance team to fabricate and install signs using in-house resources. She said the signs would include etiquette, education, safety, and wayfinding messages.

#### **3. Blue Line/Bus Rapid Transit to Elk Grove Implementation Plan**

Ms. Lyons announced the City was recently awarded a planning grant from Caltrans to study extension of the Blue Line light rail and/or bus rapid transit to Elk Grove. She said the plan would include some station area planning and related bicycle and pedestrian access to future stations. She said the grant would be implemented in partnership with SacRT would be a two year process kicking off in January 2024.

#### **4. Pilot Cool Pavement Trail Location**

Ms. Lyons announced that Public works had installed cool seal on the trail just north of Betschart Park between Big Horn Blvd and Elk Spring Way. She said staff would monitor the impact of the cool pavement in an area with no trees and compare it to nearby trails without the sealant.

## **TRAILS COMMITTEE MATTERS/FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS**

Member Neumann added a location to the list of requested locations to receive video detection – Maritime Drive at Harbour Point.

**ADJOURNMENT**

The Elk Grove Trails Committee Regular Meeting of September 18, 2023, was adjourned at 6:45 p.m.

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**Prepared by Kaley Lyons**

**APPROVED:**

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**TRAILS COMMITTEE STAFF REPORT**  
February 12, 2024



**PROJECT:** TRAILS WAYFINDING AND SIGNAGE REFERENCE MANUAL  
**FILE:**  
**LOCATION:** Citywide  
**STAFF:** Kaley Lyons, Senior Transportation Planner  
Christina Castro, Capital Improvement Program Division Manager

**INTRODUCTION / BACKGROUND:**

The City is developing a trails wayfinding and signage program with the goal of improving wayfinding on trails throughout the City, as well as providing etiquette and speed limit signs, among others. In 2021, the City adopted the Bicycle, Pedestrian, and Trails Master Plan and in early 2023 approved the Laguna Creek Inter-Regional Trail Master Plan, identifying recommendations for trails facilities throughout the City.

The City seeks to implement a wayfinding program along key trail corridors that is designed to facilitate easy travel walking or biking, with consideration for walking/biking times and distances to nearby destinations, as well as connections to other trails and on-street facilities.

The City has selected Kimley-Horn to lead the project, with subconsultant Corbin Design developing the concepts. The intent is for the City's Public Works team to fabricate, install, and maintain signage.

The Scope of Work for the project includes: reviewing existing conditions and relevant documents, support for community outreach and engagement, preparing design drawings, developing fabrication details, and preparing a Wayfinding and Signage Reference Manual.

**Staff Recommendation:**

Initial concepts will be presented at the Trails Committee meeting. City Staff are seeking input from the Trails Committee on the initial concepts.

**Attachments:**

1. None



**TRAILS COMMITTEE STAFF REPORT**  
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**PROJECT:** LETTER OF SUPPORT FOR LAGUNA CREEK INTER-REGIONAL TRAIL SEGMENT 4 (WATERMAN ROAD TO SIERRA RIVER DRIVE) GRANT APPLICATION

**FILE:**

**LOCATION:** Laguna Creek Trail from Waterman Rd to Sierra River Dr

**STAFF:** Kaley Lyons, Senior Transportation Planner

**INTRODUCTION / BACKGROUND:**

As part of the Infrastructure Investment and Jobs Act (IIJA)/Bipartisan Infrastructure Law (BIL) signed into law in November 2021, the U.S. Department of Transportation established the Carbon Reduction Program (CRP). This program provides funding to states and Metropolitan Planning Organizations (MPOs) for projects designed to reduce transportation-related carbon emissions from on-road highway sources.

The MPO for the Sacramento region, Sacramento Area Council Of Governments (SACOG), has developed a strategy for the first two years of CRP funding (\$7,441,629) to focus on planning grants to strategically maximize the impact and the region's readiness for implementation and construction-focused grants. Applications under the CRP Grant program are due February 29, 2024 with awards in June 2024.

These funds are specifically focused on positioning the following project types:

- Regional Trail Network Implementation: pre-construction phases of planned (Class 1) trails identified in the six-county Sacramento Regional Trail Network adopted in 2022;
- Zero-Emission Vehicle (ZEV) Deployment: program development to increase readiness for state and federal funding programs related to the deployment of zero-emission vehicles and charging/fueling infrastructure; and
- Strategic Carbon Reduction Programs: program implementation to offer sustainable mobility options and alternatives to driving alone.

The City is putting together a grant application to fund the Project Approval and Environmental Document (PA&ED) Phase of the Laguna Creek Trail from Waterman Road to Sierra River Drive, identified as Segment 4 in the Laguna Creek Inter-Regional Trail Master Plan, adopted by City Council in February 2023.

**Staff recommendation:**

City Staff are asking for a letter of support from the Trails Committee to include with the grant application.

**Attachments:**

1. None