Palo Alto Pedestrian and Bicycle Advisory Committee

Tuesday, April 2, 2019 at 6:00 P.M.
Adobe North Room, Mitchell Park Community Center
3700 Mitchell Road, Palo Alto

1. CALL TO ORDER 6:00 PM

2. AGENDA CHANGES 6:01 PM

3. APPROVAL OF ACTION MINUTES 6:05 PM

4. PUBLIC COMMENT 6:08 PM

5. SRTS UPDATE 6:10 PM
   a. Includes Bike Index Update/Orientation - bikeindex.org
      Free bicycle registration used by SRTS

6. STAFF UPDATES: 6:30 PM
   a. Staff Resources/Projects
   b. Data Collection Status
   c. Reports regarding crosswalk speed table on Park near Sherman
   d. Update on Park Blvd/Page Mill Rd Traffic Signal Timing

7. DISCUSSION ITEMS: 6:45 PM
   a. Consideration of NVCAP suggestion of a crossing at Oregon Expressway/Ash St
      Federal Uncontrolled Crossing Guidelines (Oregon Expwy ADT: 40,000; 35 MPH)

8. STANDING ITEMS: 7:15 PM
   a. VTA BPAC Update
   b. Grant Funding Update

9. ANNOUNCEMENTS: 7:20 PM

10. ADJOURNMENT 7:30 PM
Tuesday, March 5, 2019
6:00 P.M.

ADOBE NORTH ROOM, MITCHELL PARK COMMUNITY CENTER
3700 Middlefield Road, Palo Alto, CA

Members Present: Eric Nordman (Chair), Ken Joye (Vice Chair), Kathy Durham, Paul Goldstein, Art Liberman, Robert Neff, Steve Rock, Richard Swent, Bill Zauman

Members Absent: Bruce Arthur, Bill Courington, Ann Crichton, Cedric de la Beaujardiere, Rob Robinson, Jane Rosten

Staff Present: Sylvia Star-Lack

Guests: Owen Longstreth, Alan Wachtel, David Hirsch

1. CALL TO ORDER at 6:00 p.m.

2. AGENDA CHANGES

None

3. APPROVAL OF ACTION MINUTES

MOTION

Motion by Mr. Goldstein, seconded by Vice Chair Joye, to approve the minutes of February 12, 2019, as presented. Motion passed, Vice Chair Joye abstaining.

4. PUBLIC COMMENT

None

5. STAFF UPDATES:
   a. Personnel Update/Chief Transportation Official Recruitment Status

Ms. Star-Lack reported the recruiter has begun searching for a Chief Transportation Official. The brochure for the position should be complete during the week. The posting for a Senior Transportation Planner will close March 6.
6. DISCUSSION ITEMS:

   a. Cubberley Community Center Presentation by CSD

Kristen O'Kane, Community Services Department Chief Operating Officer, reported the Cubberley site contains 35 acres, of which the City owns 8 acres. The City leases the School District's 27 acres and operates the entire site as a community center. The Greendell School site and 525 San Antonio have been included in the planning process. Anyone may participate in the process, and a stakeholder advisory group has not been formed for the process. Three community co-design meetings have been held. The first two meetings focused on programming for the site and the massing of buildings, and the third meeting focused on aesthetics and circulation. Almost 400 people have participated in the three meetings, usually in small groups where they exchange ideas and information. The fourth meeting is scheduled for May 9 at the Cubberley Pavilion. The Master Plan should be complete by the end of the summer. The City's lease with the School District expires at the end of the calendar year. The meeting participants expressed interest in more adult education opportunities, more theater and performing arts space, more green space, a larger maker space program, a facility for senior and multigenerational programs with a wellness center, a café, and a pool. Activity materials and comments from the meetings and the resulting documents are available on the website. Key takeaways from the meetings were the desire to preserve and maximize green space, preserve the athletic fields, use underground and structured parking, construct buildings of 2-4 stories with courtyards, and to place activities atop buildings. Based on participants' comments, the consultant developed concepts for independent campuses and a shared village. The School District will need to build a school on the site at some future time. Housing could be a component of Cubberley. Phase I could include a health and wellness center, visual arts, gyms, a maker space, a performing arts center, a café, a multiuse space and kitchen, and recreation programs. An adult school could be a part of the Greendell site. Phase II could include a school, School District administrative offices, School District staff housing, a small skate park, a playground, a dog park, pickleball and tennis courts, and a pool. The proposed parking structure, which contains one story below grade and four stories above grade, will likely be revised. As currently proposed, the tennis courts will be elevated with parking underneath them. A central promenade will act as a division between the school and community center. The current proposal increases the amount of green space. The use of multi-story buildings increases the amount of interior space without increasing the buildings' footprints. Phase I will have approximately 950 car parking spaces and 800 bicycle parking spaces. The bike spaces will be close to building entrances. A proposed entrance from San Antonio into the site has been removed from consideration. If housing is built along San Antonio, there could be an entry/exit to housing only. Phase I includes two entries/exit for the site and one entry for drop off. Phase II will add more parking spaces for both cars and bikes, a biking/jogging track, and a bus/shuttle stop.

In response to questions, Ms. O'Kane indicated artist studios will continue to be a part of Cubberley. Kids utilize a maker space to build and create things using technology and power tools. The proposed maker space would be available to kids and adults. Plans to limit access to a potential school have not been formulated. Bike and pedestrian access to Cubberley from San Antonio will be available. Bike access to the Charleston Shopping Center is provided in Phase I. Some bike parking spaces will be covered, and some may be underground. The biking/jogging track will provide bicycles with access to and through the site. A bus/shuttle stop for people traveling north and leaving the site is being considered. A bike corral or cage may be provided.
on the site, but details have not been determined. Ms. Star-Lack explained that a bike stall includes a variety of bike parking, but the City's standard is an inverted "U." Staff has suggested the connection between Middlefield and Nelson be compatible with a bike boulevard.

Mr. Goldstein preferred two-way bike travel on the biking/jogging track. Mr. Goldstein and Mr. Neff felt it is important to have bike parking close to entrances and exits. Vice Chair Joye suggested the path from the San Antonio entry should be straight rather than curved. PABAC members expressed concern regarding conflicts between bikes and pedestrians and suggested the use of roundabouts, restrictions, pedestrian zones, and the location of bike parking as a way to reduce conflicts. Mr. Swent added that sightlines should be a consideration when planning bike paths.

7. ANNOUNCEMENTS

None

8. ADJOURNMENT at 6:56 p.m.