

## Meeting Minutes

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| To:           | File                                       | Date:       | October 4, 2018                         |
| From:         | Jackie Stinson                             | Project:    | Joint City/YMCA Project                 |
| Subject:      | Traffic Calming Workshops 5                | Project No: | 201814.00                               |
| Meeting Date: | September 26 & 27, 2018                    | Location:   | Redwood City Veterans Memorial Building |
| Attending:    | Distribution: Chris Beth                   |             |   |
|               | <b>City of Redwood City</b>                |             |   |
|               | Chris Beth, Parks and Rec (CB)             |             |   |
|               | Jessica Manzi, Transportation (JM)         |             |   |
|               | Anna McGill, Planning (AM)                 |             |   |
|               | James O'Connell, Engineering (JO)          |             |   |
|               | Public Works                               |             |   |
|               | Fire Department                            |             |   |
|               | <b>Toole Design</b>                        |             |   |
|               | Joel Shaffer (JS)                          |             |   |
|               | Lucas Woodward (LW)                        |             |   |
|               | <b>BlueZones</b>                           |             |   |
|               | Dan Burden (DB)                            |             |   |
|               | <b>ELS Architecture &amp; Urban Design</b> |             |   |
|               | William Gordon (WG)                        |             |   |
|               | Jackie Stinson (JS)                        |             |   |
|               | <b>Various Community Members</b>           |             |   |

**Item      Discussion**

1.      The purpose of these workshops was to (1) mock-up intersections to test the concepts and (2) present the conceptual designs for all intersections and gather final comments
  
2.      **Intersections tested during the Mock-up**
  - A.      Myrtle St. and Madison Ave. - Mini Circle
    - The fire department can maneuver through this design from all directions. They approved the design with the addition of some red curbs.
  - B.      Valota Road and Madison Ave. - Median Island and Curb Extensions
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  - C.      Madison between Myrtle St. and Iris St.
    - The fire department set up their ladder truck. This determined that 17 ft clear needs to be preserved in any traffic calming tool that is proposed.
  
3.      **The following intersections remain top priorities**
  - A.      Vera Ave. and Valota Road
    - Presented conceptual design: Traffic Circle
    - The intent is to reduce speeds and provide new crossing opportunities with refuge islands for pedestrians.
    - Community concerns: How much of the park and trees will be removed for this design?
  - B.      Hudson Street and Madison Ave.
    - Presented conceptual design: Modification to the existing traffic circle
    - The improvement is to include new curb extensions and a re-sized circle which will slow turning speeds and traffic.
    - The stop signs will be replaced with a four-way yield.
    - The curb extensions will force the cars closer to the center of the street and away from the sidewalk and homes.
    - Community concerns: Will corner homes be protected from cars driving into their property?

- C. Valota Road and Madison Ave.
  - Presented conceptual design: Median Island and Curb Extensions
  - The intent is to slow cars turning off Jefferson without stopping the traffic. This design also creates a safer environment for pedestrians because the curb extensions shorten the crosswalk lengths.
  - Community Concerns: How many parking spaces will be lost with this design?
  
- 4. **Overall Concerns**
  - A. Parking should be preserved in all situations.
  - B. People will continue to park where there is a red curb if it is not legally enforced.
  - C. Parking permits would like to be considered for Madison Ave.
  - D. Cars will continue to stop in front of the Veterans Memorial Building if “no parking or stopping” is not legally enforced.
  
- 5. **General Notes:**
  - A. Safety should be the number one concern and consideration.
  - B. Stop signs are avoided in traffic calming to keep the traffic moving at a steady pace and reduce noise.
  - C. It is important not to over use the traffic calming tools. They should be done in phases.
  - D. Raised tools, such as speed humps, are usually avoided in traffic calming to prevent noise and the make a comfortable roadway for fire apparatuses. In situations where on street parking is needed or other traffic calming measures will not work, a raised intersection or median is considered.
  
- 6. **The city is studying the projected number of parking spaces needed for the new proposed Veterans Memorial Building and YMCA. This is part of the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) process.**

These minutes summarize the conclusions of the subject meeting. If there are any substantial errors or omissions, please contact ELS immediately.