

## **AGENDA**

**Stevens Creek Trail Joint Cities Working Team (JCWT)**

**August 9, 2016**

**1:30 PM**

**City of Sunnyvale**

**City Hall**

**West Conference Room**

**456 W. Olive Avenue**

**Sunnyvale, CA 94086**

### **CALL TO ORDER**

### **PUBLIC COMMENT**

### **GENERAL BUSINESS**

1. Brief overview of JCWT Recommendations to Councils (concluded at August 21, 2015 meeting)
2. Discuss outcome of City Council meetings
3. Review draft letter to Caltrans (Attached)
4. Discuss steps moving forward and conclusion of the Joint Cities Coordinated Stevens Creek Trail Feasibility Study

### **NON-AGENDA ITEMS AND COMMENTS**

### **ADJOURNMENT**



August [redacted], 2016

Nick Saleh, Division Chief, South Region  
Caltrans, District 4  
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P.O. Box 23660  
Oakland, CA 94623-0660

SUBJECT: Support of the Joint Cities Working Team Recommendation on the Stevens Creek Trail

Dear Mr. Saleh,

The cities of Cupertino, Los Altos, Mountain View, and Sunnyvale, would like to express their support of the Joint Cities Working Team (JCWT) Recommendation on the Stevens Creek Trail.

A coordinated trail planning effort between the four cities was started in 2009 with the appointment of a Stevens Creek Trail Coordination Committee (i.e. the JCWT) consisting of one elected official and one staff member from each of the four jurisdictions. This group worked to develop the scope of the feasibility study, prepare the funding plan, and selected a consultant to prepare a feasibility study to evaluate potential routes to bridge the gap in trail segments that currently exist in Mountain View and Cupertino; the Joint Cities Coordinated Stevens Creek Trail Feasibility Study was completed September 2015.

Upon identifying feasible routes and conducting a robust public outreach process, the JCWT presented their recommendations to the four city councils ("Joint Cities Working Team Recommendation to the Councils") which includes alignment preferences as well as policy recommendations, such as protect and improve habitat, preserve public land, and continue collaboration with regional partners for extension of the Stevens Creek Trail. A copy of the "Joint Cities Working Team Recommendation to the Councils" is enclosed for your reference.

Now that all four city councils have considered the recommendation by the JCWT, we ask that Caltrans support the future efforts of the four cities to

move forward with the recommended alignments and policies recommended by the JCWT. These recommendations include, but are not limited to:

- An off-street trail through existing open space areas along Stevens Creek between the existing trail terminus at Dale Avenue/Heatherstone Way to Fremont Avenue. This trail may include structures adjacent to SR 85 and connections on either side of the SR 85 ramps at Fremont Avenue in Sunnyvale.
- An off-street trail along SR 85 with potential infrastructure modifications at the Homestead Road and Fremont Avenue off-ramps.
- Widening of the SR 85 bridge at Homestead Road or construction of a new separate bicycle and pedestrian connection parallel to Homestead Road.

Furthermore, the four cities would like for bicycle and pedestrian access to be considered should the I-280/SR 85 interchange be modified and the cities would support bicycle and pedestrian improvements to Foothill Expressway/Boulevard and through the interchange area if modifications to the I-280/Foothill interchange were ever considered.

In an effort to achieve the cities' goal to improve regional bicycle and pedestrian connections, we urge you to support the JCWT's recommendations through the future master planning and implementation efforts of all four cities. Furthermore, we also ask that you consider these recommended improvements in Caltrans's future projects and discourage any modifications that would later inhibit the improvements recommended by the JCWT.

Thank you for your consideration and we look forward to future collaboration with Caltrans.

Sincerely,

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Barry Chang, Mayor  
City of Cupertino

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Jeannie Bruins, Mayor  
City of Los Altos

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Pat Showalter, Mayor  
City of Mountain View

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Glenn Hendricks, Mayor  
City of Sunnyvale

Enclosed: Joint Cities Working Team Recommendation to the Councils  
Joint Cities Coordinated Stevens Creek Trail Feasibility Study