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MEETING NOTES

PROJECT	Fourteenth Street / Villanova Drive Improvement Project	ORGANIZER	Brian Abbanat
SUBJECT	DJUSD Stakeholder Interviews	DATE	April 24, 2018
LOCATION	Council Chambers, Davis City Hall	TIME	9:00am to 10:00am

ATTENDEES:

City of Davis: Brian Abbanat

Alta Planning + Design: Lisa Beyer

Stakeholders: Sarah Roseen, Principal of North Davis Elementary; Amelia Hess, Assistant Principal of Davis High School, Operations Gentleman from the HS?

MEETING NOTES:

Brian and Lisa introduced the corridor project and the background on the funding and purpose. Lisa explained that the goal today is to hear from stakeholders about the challenges and concerns, as well as ideas for improvements. The feedback will help the team to develop concept designs that will then be vetted in an open house early this summer on June 12th. The designs will be refined and then presented to the Transportation Commission in July. With their comments, the team will move into final design of the corridor, then construction next summer.

Next Steps:

Develop Draft Concept to Share at a Public Open House: June 12, 2018

Refine the Concepts and Present to the BTSSC: July 12, 2018

Final Design: Summer 2018 through Spring 2019

Construction: Summer 2019

Discussion about the corridor:

- Drop Off in Bike Lane - Drop off on 14th between F Street and the entrance to parking lot conflicts with bike lanes. Cars don't see bikes and weave into lane to drop off. The parking is important, but there should be a better solution.
- Cars speeding through the corridor - The crossing guards at the Elementary and Library crossings yells at cars blowing through pedestrian crossing. Observations indicate they are mostly parents, including St. James School. Need more speed feedback signs.

- Same Start Time for All Schools – The roadway is congested for a short period as all of the parents and students are getting to the Elementary School, High School, and St James.
- Accidents – A kid riding his bike was hit coming out of the library across the driveway recently
- Lack of Parking for ES Staff - 72 staff and only 17 spots for teachers/staff.
- Parent Drop Off for ES - Would be ideally located on campus in another lane adjacent to the school building. Right now, parents use Cedar to turn around, which is not great.
- Bus Use - College Kids take the bus at 14th and F. Traveling scholar families live across F and rely heavily on bus line.
- Bike Use – 200-250 students bike to the ES in warm weather.
- Plans for ND ES – New MPR with office space instead of white building next to blue building, on site drop off, two lanes for staff parking and parent drop off.
- High School Parking Lot – One-way entrance and exit, but drivers do not follow. 90% of drivers into parking lot are inexperienced young drivers. Vehicles get stuck trying to exit, right lane turns right, looks for traffic to their left, but the bikes are on their right and the left lane turns left, inching into the bike lane because they don't have good visibility. The group discussed the possibility of a median to stop left turns or a traffic signal to improve the flow. The group noted that sometimes cars get tired of waiting and drive across the grassy area, sidewalk, and bike lane and turn left onto 14th or leave out of the entrance. Also, young students are biking through this parking lot to get to other ESs and crossing inexperienced HS drivers in the parking lot.
- Three Way Stop at B Not Working – Crossing guard works hard, but the traffic is not adhering to the traffic laws. She puts herself in harms way.
- Relocate Crosswalk at HS – The current crosswalk at the Admin Building is not very useful and hard to see with parking and bus stop activity. Suggest relocating to where the bikes exit the HS parking lot.
- High School North Parking Lot – Bad behaviors occur here too and people speed through the crossing at Scripps, almost hit kids.