



Agenda

BICYCLE AND TRAILS ADVISORY COMMITTEE MEETING

Wednesday, October 19, 2016 5:30 p.m. – 7:30 p.m.

City Hall, 200 Lincoln Ave

1. CALL TO ORDER
2. ROLL CALL
3. APPROVAL OF AGENDA
4. APPROVAL OF MINUTES FROM SEPTEMBER 21, 2016
5. CITIZEN COMMUNICATIONS FROM THE FLOOR
6. COMMUNICATIONS FROM OTHER AGENCIES
 - a. SANTA FE CONSERVATION TRUST REPORT (TIM ROGERS)
7. INFORMATION / DISCUSSION / ACTION
 - a. UPDATE ON BRIDGE REPAIR, RIVER CROSSING ALONG W. ALAMEDA (AT GONZALES SCHOOL CROSSING) (RICHARD THOMPSON)
 - b. APPROVAL OF AN ORDINANCE RELATING TO THE LAND DEVELOPMENT CODE, CHAPTER 14 SFCC 1987, CREATING A NEW SUBSECTION 14-5.5(D) ENTITLED THE "MIDTOWN LOCAL INNOVATION CORRIDOR OVERLAY DISTRICT" (MIDTOWN LINC OVERLAY DISTRICT) AND ESTABLISHING PERMITTED USES, DEFINITIONS, STANDARDS, AND INCENTIVES FOR QUALIFYING PROJECTS WITHIN THE DISTRICT; AMENDING THE FOLLOWING ARTICLES TO ADD PROVISIONS FOR QUALIFYING PROJECTS WITHIN THE DISTRICT: 14-3.8(B) DEVELOPMENT PLAN APPROVALS, TABLE 14-6.1-1 SPECIAL USE PERMITS, 14-6.2(A)(7) DWELLING UNITS WITHIN C-2 AND SC DISTRICTS, 14-8.6(B)(4) REDUCTION OF REQUIRED PARKING SPACES, TABLE 14-8.7-2 ARCHITECTURAL DESIGN STANDARDS AND POINT ALLOCATIONS, 14-8.13(E) DEVELOPMENT WATER BUDGET CRITERIA, 14-8.14(D) IMPACT FEES; RELATING TO THE BUILDING AND HOUSING CODE, CHAPTER 7 SFCC 1987, AMENDING SUBSECTION 7-1.10 APPLICATION OF THE INTERNATIONAL EXISTING BUILDING CODE; RELATING TO THE SEWER CODE, CHAPTER 22 SFCC 1987, AMENDING SUBSECTION, 22-6.6 EXHIBIT A SECTION 7 WASTEWATER UTILITY EXPANSION CHARGE; RELATING TO THE WATER CODE, CHAPTER 25 SFCC 1987, 25-4.2 EXHIBIT B RATE SCHEDULE 8 UTILITY EXPANSION CHARGE; AND MAKING SUCH OTHER CHANGES THAT ARE NECESSARY TO CARRY OUT THE PURPOSE OF THIS ORDINANCE. (Mayor Gonzales, Councilors Ives, Lindell and Trujillo) (Matthew O'Reilly)

- c. A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING AND SUPPORTING THE SUBMITTAL OF THE CITY'S PROJECT APPLICATION TO THE SANTA FE METROPOLITAN PLANNING ORGANIZATION FOR FUNDING UNDER THE FISCAL YEAR 2018/2019 NMDOT ADMINISTERED FUNDS FROM THE TRANSPORTATION ALTERNATIVES PROGRAM (Councilor Maestas) (Leroy Pacheco)
 - d. APPROVAL OF 2017 MEETING SCHEDULE (MELISSA MCDONALD)
 - e. BTAC GOALS FOR 2017 (COUNCILOR MAESTAS)
- 8. BTAC SUBCOMMITTEE UPDATES
 - a. UPDATE ON LA TIERRA BOND ALLOCATION (STAFF)
 - 9. STAFF COMMUNICATIONS
 - 10. COMMITTEE COMMUNICATIONS
 - 11. COMMUNICATIONS FROM THE CHAIR
 - 12. ADJOURNMENT

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**BICYCLE AND TRAILS ADVISORY COMMITTEE MEETING
CITY HALL – CITY COUNCIL CHAMBERS
OCTOBER 19, 2016 – 5:30 PM – 7:15 PM**

MINUTES

1. CALL TO ORDER

Chair, Councilor Joseph Maestas called the Bicycle and Trails Advisory Committee meeting to order at 5:30 pm in the City Council Chambers, Santa Fe, New Mexico. Roll call constitutes a quorum.

2. ROLL CALL

Present:

Councilor Joseph Maestas, Chair
Joseph A. Abbatacola
Paul Cooley
Gretchen Grogan
Frank Herdman
Tomas Rivera
Shelley Robinson
Jennifer Wellington
James Ronald Pacheco

Staff & Others Present:

Melissa McDonald, Staff Liaison
Matthew O'Reilly, Asset Development Director
Bob Siqueiros, Project Administrator, Public Works
Richard Thompson, Parks Department
Tim Rogers, Santa Fe Conservation
Fran Lucero, Stenographer

3. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

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4. APPROVAL OF MINUTES FROM SEPTEMBER 21, 2016

No changes from staff.

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5. CITIZEN COMMUNICATIONS FROM THE FLOOR

Steven Newhall, 601 W. San Mateo #92, Santa Fe, New Mexico

Mr. Newhall informed the BTAC members that there will be a Bike Advocates Meeting which is on Friday, October 21st from 5:00 pm - 9:00 pm at Cactus Brewery in Bernalillo, NM. There will be representation from Las Cruces, Albuquerque and Santa Fe. Mr. Newhall continued to say that as a proposal is that the City marked Bike Route 66 through Santa Fe and he has been talking with the Adventure Cyclist Organization regarding this item. The route through Sana Fe is being redone, Mr. Newhall said that he will share the maps with the BTAC members. For a bike tourist who doesn't know the area, the hardest place is finding a route through the cities they come across. It be a wonderful thing to actually mark it through, we could do something simple mark up a map with the bike paths.

6. COMMUNICATIONS FROM OTHER AGENCIES

a. Status of Application, Bob Siqueiros

Mr. Siqueiros noted that the last time he met with Ms. Robinson and Ms. Grogan they set the timeline to work on the application in October and the latest it can be submitted is February 9, 2017 at 11:59 pm. Mr. Siqueiros is in the review stages of the last 3-4 applications back to 2010-2011, perusing past agendas and talking with the MPO on changes that have transpired in the master plan since 2011. He has also contacted the planning department to acquire the demographics and population data. Each year the league changes the application process and each time it becomes user friendly. It does require information from the state and most every city department which he is gather information from. He is also in contact with the Santa Fe Conservation Trust and gathering information from them when their contract started 4-years ago. Mr. Siqueros is researching and utilizing all archived information. Application will be for gold; at a minimum he feels they will maintain silver for the next 4 years. There are two more levels after gold, platinum and diamond. Mr. Siqueiros will pursue meeting with Shelly and Gretchen in the next month.

Mr. Abbatacola asked how many pages the last application was and Mr. Siqueiros responded approximately 25 pages with the option of attachment(s).

Ms. Grogan: Someone from the league came and gave us feedback to make our application stronger and we should take their recommendations into consideration in this application. Mr. Siqueros said that we were lacking in educational programs and there were also some safety issues. Ms. Grogan did ask the BTAC members if they have information they want to be discussed or included in their meeting with Mr. Siqueiros to please send on to her.

Mr. Siqueiros said that the first couple years they were honorary members and they now have full membership status and the city department will pay the renewal fee every year in the amount of \$75.

The Chair asked that drafts of the application be shared with the BTAC members as the process moves forward. Ms. Grogan would like to invite Mr. Siqueiros to future meetings prior to February submittal to keep everyone in the loop for this process.

b. SANTA FE CONSERVATION TRUST REPORT (Tim Rogers)

(Report on September activities included in meeting packet).

Mr. Rogers, in addition to the September activities report included an article on his views on the Paseo de Peralta – complete the street that was published and recently was rejected by the City Council. My View Article’s intent was to educate the public. Article is not just about bikes it is also to clearly identify the walking paths.

Highlight of September:

- Under steward recruitment he had the Capital High School Outdoor Club members at the Dale Ball Trails who helped with signage and doing erosion control work. It exceeded his expectations and would like to work with them in the future based on time availability.
- Trail maintenance, completed Dale Ball signage to included directional arrow signage for Dale Ball south. Thank you to City Parks for finding support for the signs. Central does not have arrows so they are working to get the area signage uniformed and help to re-enforce which direction is which. This will be integrated into regular trail maintenance.
- Training and Education: The My View article was to try to educate the public and the city on what a lane reduction purpose and effect is and that it is called road diet.
- Community Events and Promotions, Fall Community Cruise (Tour de Mural) had about 40 riders which was larger than any community ride they have had. Per Mr. Leroy Pacheco’s request group did look at some of the new trail pieces especially the Acequia Trail findings. Group went to the Osage, Otowi and Acequia trails. Osage now has a striped shoulder as you come off of Cerrillos as you come off of St. Michaels. Field trips are continuing. A new promotional event with the National Park Service and Santa Fe County will be held on October 22, 2016 at 2:00 pm at Dead Dog Trailhead celebrate the County El Camino Real Trail. On behalf of Santa Fe Fat Tire – riding from MRC to Dead Dog Head trailhead. Colleen Baker from the County has asked for us to send out information to various organizations to see if they could organize rides to this event. There will also be hikes organized by the National Park Service.
- Santa Fe County Horse Coalition has organized some horse rides at various points in the Buckman area.
- Under city contacts, Mr. Rogers continues to work with Mr. Thompson from the Parks Department on projects and expenditures.
- Under Planning and Coordination, under Bike Route 66 – he has been in touch with Adventure Cycling as well as NMDOT who would be willing to work with us. We would re-label State Road 9 to State Bike Route 66.
- Meetings: Acequia Trail Meeting – to discuss part of the Acequia trail which will extend from Rufina to San Felipe, November 3rd from 7-10 pm at Country Gardens Clubhouse. Thornton Ranch Open Space Meeting in Galisteo, NM, 5:30 pm – 7:00 pm.

Ms. Robinson expressed her congratulations to Mr. Rogers for his receipt of the City of Santa Fe Sustainable Award. Mr. Rogers received this award for his work on trails and bike lanes.

The Chair and committee members expressed their thanks for publishing the article on the City Council decision on Paseo de Peralta. The Chair reiterated to the members of BTAC to call their councilors to reconsider this topic.

7. INFORMATION/DISCUSSION/ACTION

- a. UPDATE ON BRIDGE REPAIR, RIVER CROSSING ALONG W. ALAMEDA (AT GONZALES SCHOOL CROSSING) (Richard Thompson, Division Director for Parks)

Mr. Thompson said that they have been aware of the condition of the Gonzales bridge condition for some time now and have made two attempts to rectify the small problem at the north end and another effort to re-deck the entire bridge. Mr. Thompson said they have identified 3 bridges that need to re-deck that will include Gonzales Bridge, Louis Montano Park Bridge on the other side of Saint Francis and Alameda which is a concrete bridge and the wooden bridge at Zia. The hopes are to use a different method of preserving the wood on the decks. We have posted and received engineering estimates for re-decking the bridges and Gonzales Bridge estimate has come in \$15,677. Mr. Thompson said that he will look at different funding options to secure this funding possibly under CIP projects or a park bond issue that won't be issued this coming year or a contractual line item in his budget.

Mr. Herdman said he is a regular user of that bridge and is concerned about its condition and asked if Mr. Thompson has also looked at the bridge across from Casa Solana which is constructed of a teak wood. Mr. Herdman wanted to know which bridge #2 is. Mr. Thompson said it is a bridge on Alameda across from the Salvation Army. Mr. Thompson did say they will look at the bridge and do repairs to assure that it is safe until it can be completed and they will look at the woods and alternative sealers.

Mr. Abbatacola asked what type of wood is being used and is it possible to use a composite. Mr. Thompson said the quote is to replace it with treated pine, the secret for longevity is to use a sealant on the exterior of the wood with be treated with a poly urethane or epoxy to extend the life. Mr. Thompson does not know if these bridges were ever exterior treated.

Mr. Pacheco expressed his thanks for the knowledge and expertise that Mr. Thompson brings forward on the bridge construction and maintenance of materials needed for safety and longevity.

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Councilor Maestas said that when this came through Public Works he felt that this item needed to come before BTAC for informational reasons and how it affects the Bicycle Master Plan. In the Bicycle Master Plan; Recommendation 1.10, it says to support higher density mixed use development. In that Bicycle Master Plan they showed some illustrations from the RE-MIKE project. This is an initial stage of making the re-mike project a reality. The Chair said that in the motion that he made at Public Works he included a condition that it be brought to BTAC as an informational item to keep the members informed.

Matthew O'Reilly: (Presentation to BTAC members on overhead projector on references as described below and memorandum dated August 31, 2016 included in packet.)

An overlay district is not a rezoning, it is referred to as a blanket set of provisions that overlays the underlying existing zoning of an area. A map of the city showing some of the overlay districts was posted on the overhead. Well known is the historic district, 4,000 acres covering 12% of the city. There are also overlay districts that cover the commercial corridors. The overlay district is something that has been planned for a very long time. In 2013 the city adopted the Airport Road overlay district, about 560 acres. Mr. O'Reilly proceeded to describe the other overlay districts, detailed in the meeting packet and viewed on the overhead. The stretch of St. Michael's Drive between Cerrillos Road and St. Francis Drive remains as a commercial area of the city that is not an overlay district. Midtown LINC consists of approximately 372.8 acres, amounting to approximately 1.1% of the 33,601 acres of land within the city limits. The overlay area contains 161 individual properties, accounting for approximately 0.45% of the 35,580 parcels of land within the city. In the overlay district, it is something that has been planned for a very long time; in fact St. Michael's Drive was mentioned in the 1999 General Plan of the city as a roadway that is designed to provide opportunities for redevelopment, incentives for use intensification. It is also anticipated in the General Plan that it would be targeted for mixed used development. In 2008 the city did a design competition where they asked design professionals and architects to come up with ideas of what they thought St. Michael's Drive would look like. Since that time the city council has adopted three separate resolutions asking for an overlay district created along St. Michael's Drive. Also, in 2010 the Santa Fe Association of Realtors got a national grant to study the redevelopment for housing along the corridor. Around that same time, 2011-2012 the Graduate School of Architecture and Planning at UNM devoted the entire semester to have their students study the corridor to come up with recommendations. Several years ago there was a grass roots effort, the Re-mike project; there was a lot of outreach and surveys taken about St. Michael's Drive that culminated in a 3-day event that resulted in a report that has a number of recommendations. Around that same time the City Long Range Planning sub-committee came up with a set of design standards for the potential district. In 2014 the Mayor was invited to the Mayor's Institute on city Design and he presented the idea and the issue of the redevelopment of St. Michael's Drive area. Of most interest to this committee is that a traffic analysis was done by the

city; a very preliminary traffic analysis which was designed to have a Traffic Engineer look at what would happen if we had a road diet on St. Michael's Drive. St. Michael's Drive at this time is 150 feet of right of way. It may be the largest area of right of way in the City. The road itself and the right of way, is not owned by the city it is owned by the NMDOT, as is Cerrillos Road and St. Francis Drive. St. Michael's Drive is 7 lanes wide, 3 travel lanes in each direction and a center lane. The Traffic Engineer came up with some conclusions and modifications that the road could potentially be reduced from 7 to 5 lanes in most areas. *(The red lined document as seen on the overhead is the proposed overlay.)* This is basically commercial, shopping center, office and industrial zoning and some residential zoning around the University of Art Design, all of which will remain the same. As noted on the design, of the percentage of land, 74% of the area is parking lots so part of the goal of the overlay district is to open up those parking lots for redevelopment. There are a whole set of design standards that would be required for new development and there are incentives that are being proposed for projects. These would be qualifying residential projects in this case multi-family housing. Non-qualifying non-residential projects would be commercial projects that mix well with residential projects, i.e., medical offices, restaurants, grocery stores, etc. We would always address the list from the community during the RE-MIKE project where they were looking for increased pedestrian and bicycle safety and mixed use development. In closing, Mr. O'Reilly said that the incentives that the city is offering for people to come and develop these qualifying projects will not be offered to projects that are not qualifying. This does not mean these projects can't be built they just would not receive the incentives by the city. Those incentives include items such as reduction of building permit fees, impact fees, utility and other related fees. There are a number of amendments that have been proposed by various councilors to move forward. One important amendment that has been proposed is if and when the city gets fee in lieu of contributions which are allowed in the Affordable Housing Ordinance that those fees be spent in the LINC area and not be spent in other areas of the City. This is a land use ordinance that creates an overlay; it changes the Land Use Code. It is related to the street because it is along the street but it doesn't do anything to the street and remains with the ownership of NMDOT. The ordinance does have a few things designed to be in the ordinance in case that doesn't happen and one of the things is that there be 15 ft. sidewalks and also that they redevelop the strip of land along the existing curb and the sidewalk with landscaping to create a buffer for safety for people who are walking on those sidewalks as open public space. It was noted there has been no design of this area as we have no control over this road. If we do get control over this road BTAC would definitely have input.

Questions:

Mr. Rivera referred to the mentioned stipulations and asked if St. Michael's remain a highway, what happens if it becomes city property, do the stipulations say in effect?

Mr. O'Malley said what he referred to was new development put in very wide sidewalks where could be segregated enough to create bicycle facilities in the area. If we did get ownership from NMDOT it would be contingent upon having the funds to properly not only re-design the road and implement it but also fix some of the problems right now. St. Michael's Drive is not in the best of condition and the city is not in the position to take ownership of the road in the condition that it is in. If and when we would get control of the road from NMDOT we would try to tie it in to some funding source and design for developing the road.

Mr. Rivera: What is the likelihood the City would take over. Mr. O'Malley said if we went to NMDOT they probably would give us the street along with \$3 to \$4 million dollars of cost that it would take to repair this street. The city would look for resources such as Grants, etc.; we cannot take on that type of liability. The City and NMDOT entered in to a Road Exchange and maintenance agreement in 1989 and amended in 1999 and we are operating under that same agreement. There are some disputes in this agreement as to when we should take over some roads and at what time we would take over roads. This is a topic of negotiation and on-going discussion with NMDOT. A date cannot be given but the guarantee is if this ordinance passes we would continue to pursue funding from grants with hopes of getting money from the governing body to match the application requests and continue work with NMDOT.

Mr. Rivera asked if the ordinance passes, when do you think we will see development? Mr. O'Malley said it is hard to say; there is great interest from the public. There is a big push for multi-family housing, which we need; our studies show that we are 2400 units short in this town. Rents are up 17-20% in apartments partially because a lot of apartments have not been built. We definitely need rental housing. There are great financing tools out there that will allow people to build multi family housing. There are low income tax credits projects geared towards people with incomes 60% or less the AMI. Those are tax credit projects administered through the state. There are also federal HUD programs that are attractive financing. They are limited to how much commercial and retail you can have in a project. This is why a minimum of 4-stories buildings is proposed in the corridor. Something exciting is that a Senator in Washington who will introduce MyTech, which is a middle-income housing tax credit.

Mr. Pacheco said that he is concerned about the area which is very low income. His hope is that those living in low-income housing will have opportunities to get out of that lower income and have jobs and hopes that economic development will economically advance.

Mr. Cooley has a concern of utilizing sidewalks a bicycle lane. Mr. O'Malley said that was not his intent, people are saying they want safer places to ride their bikes and safer cross walks, and it is not known what can be done on the streets. If we create the wide sidewalks it would not designate it as bicycle lane, we would look for alternatives in that 15' so we don't have bicyclist conflicting with pedestrian walking traffic.

Shelly Robinson: The corridor that NMDOT re-aligned and lighting to make it safer at the trail crossing; if the city takes over the rail corridor, would it be a separate section?

Mr. O'Malley said that is one of the items for discussion with the city and the NMDOT. He said it is his understanding there is a project plan for that area. The city is are not there yet with the NMDOT, it is not known what kind of help NMDOT will render and what kind of funding options we will have.

Ms. Grogan expressed her thanks and said it will increase the density in that area. By increasing the density and reducing the amount of surface area, which is 74% of this area, which is parking lots, in terms of bicycle facilities in St. Michael's Drive is beyond our scope. It was asked, is a qualified residential use a multi-family project?

Mr. O'Malley said yes, a qualifying residential project would be a multi-family residential project.

Ms. Grogan added if those sections in the new projects could be bicycle and pedestrian friendly that is where this committee should be focusing so that sidewalks, bike lanes, shared parking. Is there a way, certain land uses are qualifying projects; do you get better incentives?

Mr. O'Malley said basically how it works is if you are a qualifying project and you get these financial incentives and reduction of fees is substantial, you then must use extremely low water saving appliances and fixtures and select them carefully. If you take incentives you have to have zero flush toilets, energy star washing machines, 20-40% less water, water sense showerheads using 20% less water, water harvesting and require that these qualifying projects follow the Option B of the city water use. Mr. O'Malley provided additional detail to this topic.

Ms. Grogan stated if these qualifying projects have certain qualities within them that they have demonstrated to receive the incentives in the water conservation standards, could we include standards regarding bicycle and pedestrian qualities to their development? Especially to commercial developments where they would need to have bicycle racks outside of their businesses, showers for those biking to work, outside seating, adequate shading, bike lanes so incentives wouldn't be based only on water conservation.

Mr. O'Malley said it would be possible to do something like that and some of it is built into the ordinance with the staff report. The ordinance requires under the design standards that they put in benches for pedestrians to sit on, it requires that they put landscaping, it requires that there be trees next to the bench for shading. There were other enhancements identified for pedestrian experience on the streets. The city code requires bicycle racks and has been in the code since the 1990's. Mr. O'Malley reiterated that this is an overlay district; it can be modified, adjusted, amended over time as we see things happen. We need to leave the door open, as it is a positive thing.

The Chair stated that as stated, we are seeing a trend where developers propose developments outside of the city limits because they avoid the impact fees, they pay nominal connection fees to our waste water system; this could be a standard way of attracting and incentivizing development, especially high density infill. This is a real trend and this overlay district and the incentives could be the sign of things to come to keep developers in the city building higher density mixed use development. It has gone through a number of committees and it is going to council next Wednesday for a vote. The Chair stated that in the future he would meet with the city attorney office and the legislative liaison where BTAC could possibly describe what kinds of legislative action should come to BTAC. BTAC should have that opportunity to voice their support and be in the loop. The Chair added that the corridor acts as a catalyst and it will attract a lot of development. Moving forward, the road diet will be key. The traffic study made some conclusions that perhaps we should consider implementing, we being the BTAC. What they are recommending is doing a road diet, pilot striping of St. Michael's Drive to drop the lanes. They are predicting a drastic reduction in level of service in some of the intersections. The Chair will continue discussion with Mr. O'Reilly and John Romero to see if we can make some lower cost changes to certain timing cycles without investing

a large amount of money to have a progression that will avoid the breakdown at intersections to try the pilot restriping. It is in our Bicycle Master Plan, retrofitting roads through re-striping. Maybe we don't have to wait until there is a transfer of ownership, we could do with cooperation with NMDOT while we are negotiating the road exchange.

Jennifer Wellington stated that this is a great idea of St. Michael's RE-MIKE and if there is housing in there; i.e., this is already considered there isn't anything in the packet, if we had so much open land, we have the Santa Fe University of Art and Design, the middle school, La Farge Library and the high school. We need to be thinking about developing a connection there and she advocates for off road, sub-graded paths that would make it safe off road to get to the high school. We don't ever talk about or integrate the universities and we have at least two in the town. She feels they are not incorporated or encouraged to bike around that area.

Mr. O'Malley if you look at the ordinance and read the bill in its context and relation to the Land Development Code, which isn't in the packet. It is a simple Ordinance; the Land Development Code is what is complicated. We can adopt master plans for trails and when we do, if we want to adopt a trail idea than when developers come forward we can make it a requirement. Mr. O'Malley stated as the Chair mentioned that the bill is designed to create permeability, he has had some conversations with the university, and it remains to be seen if we get a new operator they are all about permeability. They want the university to connect with everything around it.

Mr. Pacheco moved to support the resolution moving forward to the City Council with BTAC recommendation, second by Ms. Wellington, motion carried by unanimous voice vote.

- c. A Resolution authorizing and supporting the submittal of the city's project application to the Santa Fe Metropolitan Planning organization for funding under the fiscal year 2018/2019 NMDOT administered funds from the transportation alternatives program. (Councilor Maestas) (Leroy Pacheco)

Mr. Rivera asked if the city is matching \$72,800? Mr. Pacheco stated that the amount is \$145,600 and the City is applying for \$1 million for each project, and the city will match \$145,600 per project.

Mr. Rivera moved to approve the moving forward of a Resolution authorizing and supporting the submittal of the city's project application to the Santa Fe Metropolitan Planning organization for funding under the fiscal year 2018/2019 NMDOT administered funds from the transportation alternatives program, second by Mr. Herdman, motion carried by unanimous voice vote.

- d. APPROVAL OF 2017 MEETING SCHEDULE (MELISSA MCDONALD)

January 18, 2017	February 15, 2017	March 15, 2017	April 19, 2017
May 17, 2017	June 21, 2017	July 20, 2017	August 16, 2017
September 20, 2017	October 18, 2017	November 15, 2017	December 20, 2017

Mr. Rivera moved to approve the BTAC – 2017 meeting calendar, second by Ms. Grogan, motion carried by unanimous voice vote.

- e. BTAC GOALS FOR 2017 (COUNCILOR MAESTAS)
Ms. McDonald provided the BTAC members with hard copy of the BTAC goals for review and future discussion with the Chair and the committee members.

8. BTAC SUBCOMMITTEE UPDATES

- a. UPDATE ON LA TIERRA BOND ALLOCATION (STAFF)
Mr. Pacheco was going to propose meeting with BTAC in December or January to review the master plan of the La Tierra Project and work towards a recommendation and how a recommendation might be made so that in the next capital budgeting process, starting in early 2017 this could become part of a funded project. In the master plan if we could make a recommendation to move it from an unbudgeted cash reserve to a budget. Mr. Herdman would be happy to undertake that, \$79,000 is a large amount of money to be expended. Mr. Herdman said he could undertake the study of the master plan and bring options to the BTAC for review.

9. STAFF COMMUNICATIONS

None

10. COMMITTEE COMMUNICATIONS

- Mr. Rivera expressed his thanks for the supportive motions.
- Gretchen Grogan shared the DVD from the film, Hikers, Bikers and Automobiles. It is a 28-minute piece and has been divided in to two pieces, one is 16 minutes and the other is 6 minutes. Mr. Grogan proposes that BTAC members watch the DVD as a committee at the next meeting.
- Ms. Grogan stated that traditionally the November meeting is the Thanksgiving Dinner potluck Ms. McDonald will share a list for sign up, and meeting date is November 16th.
- Mr. Pacheco noted that the weeds along Gonzales Rd. are high, staff will report to Parks.


11. COMMUNICATIONS FROM THE CHAIR

None

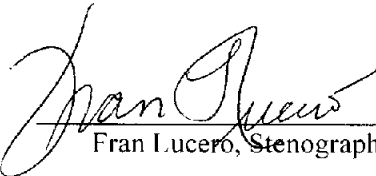
12. ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business to come before the BTAC, the Chair called for adjournment at 7:15 pm.

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Councilor Maestas, Chair



Fran Lucero, Stenographer