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PUBLIC WORKS/CIP & LAND USE COMMITTEE MEETING CITY HALL COUNCIL CHAMBERS MONDAY, JUNE 11, 2018 5:00 P.M.

- 1. CALL TO ORDER
- 2. ROLL CALL
- 3. APPROVAL OF AGENDA
- 4. APPROVAL OF CONSENT AGENDA
- 5. APPROVAL OF MINUTES FROM MAY 29, 2018, PUBLIC WORKS COMMITTEE MEETING

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# MINUTES OF THE CITY OF SANTA FÉ PUBLIC WORKS/CIP & LAND USE COMMITTEE

Monday, June 11, 2018

## 1. CALL TO ORDER

A regular meeting of the Public Works/CIP & Land Use Committee was called to order on the above date by Councilor Renee Villarreal, in the absence of the Chair at approximately 5:00 p.m. in the City Council Chambers, 200 Lincoln Avenue, Santa Fé, New Mexico.

### 2. ROLL CALL

Roll Call indicated the presence of a quorum as follows:

## **MEMBERS PRESENT:**

Councilor JoAnne Vigil Coppler Councilor Mike Harris Councilor Renee D. Villarreal, Chair Pro Tem

## **MEMBERS EXCUSED:**

Councilor Peter N. Ives, Chair Councilor Roman "Tiger" Abeyta

## STAFF PRESENT:

John Romero, Interim Public Works Director Bobbi Huseman, Public Works Staff

## OTHERS PRESENT:

Carl Boaz, Stenographer

NOTE: All items in the Committee packet for all agenda items were incorporated herewith by reference. The original Committee packet is on file in the Public Works Department.

## 3. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

MOTION: Councilor Harris moved, seconded by Councilor Vigil Coppler, to approve the agenda as

presented.

VOTE: The motion passed by unanimous (3-0) voice vote with Councilors Abeyta, Vigil Coppler, Harris,

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and Villarreal voting in favor and none voting against.

## 4. APPROVAL OF CONSENT AGENDA

Councilor Harris requested discussion on item #7.

**MOTION:** Councilor Vigil Coppler moved, seconded by Councilor Harris, to approve the Consent Agenda as amended with discussion on item #7.

**VOTE:** The motion passed by unanimous (3-0) voice vote with Councilors Vigil Coppler, Harris, and Villarreal voting in the affirmative and none voting against.

# 5. APPROVAL OF MINUTES FROM MAY 29, 2018 PUBLIC WORKS COMMITTEE MEETING

Councilor Vigil Coppler requested a correction on page 5, third paragraph where the company should be "Molzen-Corbin."

Councilor Harris/ Councilor Vigil Coppler - 3-0.

**MOTION:** Councilor Harris moved, seconded by Councilor Vigil Coppler, to approve the minutes of May 29, 2018 as amended.

**VOTE:** The motion passed by unanimous (3-0) voice vote with Councilors Vigil Coppler, Harris, and Villarreal voting in the affirmative and none voting against.

## INFORMATIONAL AGENDA

# 6. BICYCLE CRASH ANALYSIS – MARCH 1, 2015 THROUGH FEBRUARY 28, 2018 – SANTA FE POLICE DEPARTMENT (LEROY PACHECO, SGT. CHRIS MCCORD, AND MELISSA AUSTIN-CORDELL)

Mr. Pacheco said this information was presented at BTAC last week.

Councilor Vigil Coppler said Sgt. McCord has a standing place on the BTAC agenda each month.

Sgt. McCord thanked Ms. Austin-Cordell for her work. Something we need to look at and how the City can better the statistics. With it, we have a good overview of every bike crash over the last three years and what the City can do to reduce them.

In 2015, there were 27 crashes. In 2016, there were 36, and in 2017, there were 45 crashes. Ms. Austin-Cordell was able to analyze them. She found that no age group predominates. Certain days are

heavier with the peak at mid-week. Most crashes occur between 3-6 pm, probably due to rush hour traffic. Most of the crashes are on Cerrillos Road and St. Michael's Drive.

After the report was released, Sgt. McCord went to each location as a bicyclist and he saw where confusion happens. In most cities, when a bike path ends, there is a sign warning motorists and cyclists that bikes will be merging into traffic. Some bike lanes are clearly defined as a bike lane, but the majority are not. So it confuses motorists. On Cerrillos, there are only two signs to identify the bike lane.

In order to enforce the law, police must determine if they can write a citation for violation of the bike lane. But where the bike lane is not clearly marked, no citation can be issued.

Intersections account for 64% of crashes, some from improper crossing or not using a cross walk. Signs can make it better at those intersections. When you get on a bike path and come to the end, there is a small stop sign. If we want bikes to act as if in a car as a motorist- the same size signs should be put in. Not a smaller sign. In addition, helmets might restrict the cyclist's vision. Some signs are too high for bicyclists whose heads are down a little as they ride. The bike path at Sam's Club has very little signage.

Especially in downtown, there are bike rental places for tourists. But if I come here as a tourist and bicycle, are the bike laws just like home? Often, they are not. And when a tourist is stopped, they might tell the officer, "I didn't know we couldn't do that here." So a pamphlet at bike rental shops would help.

Sgt. McCord said, "Overall, a lot of the data points to more education for making an impact. Among all contributing factors to bike crashes, not yielding right-of-way to motorists is a primary cause. The second main cause is driver inattention. Maybe a Youtube video or community outreach could reinforce the need for constant attention. We have a lot of good bike shops and we could ask them to help with handouts and they would.

Some crashes happen when bicyclists are driving on a sidewalk. Bicycles should never be driven on the sidewalks. All will function better if the cyclists drive as a motor vehicle driver, stopping when they are supposed to and signaling lane changes. Another is riding on the wrong side of the road. A lot of bicyclists think that is safer, but it is not.

In the crashes, 25% of cyclists were cited; 28% of motorists were cited and 48% had no citations. Many times, motorists are issued a citation for having the vehicle in the bike lane or too close to it. The #1 reason a citation is issued to the vehicle is failure to yield to a bicycle; second is careless driving. #1 for bicyclist is failure to yield, #2 is biking on the sidewalk and #3 is riding on the wrong side of the road.

Chair Villarreal thanked Sgt. McCord and Ms. Austin-Cordell for their presentation and the proactive suggestions.

Councilor Vigil Coppler said when they heard it at BTAC the Committee spent more than an hour on it. She was impressed with their work. One issue raised was about having smaller stop signs which someone had advocated.

Mr. Pacheco said it was Tim Rogers who said they should be smaller. He said off-road and trail signage is a separate system of signage and not the same as on a roadway.

Mr. Romero clarified that the City must follow federal guidelines and the intent is to make them all the same. The reason why trail signs are smaller is that we don't want vehicles to stop where they are not to be stopping. The reason they are higher is to prevent bikers from hitting their heads on them. We cannot deviate from the AASTHTO guidelines.

He said at the St. Michael's and Cerrillos area, we do follow the guidelines. He explained the turn lanes and when they merge into traffic to get across. If we didn't follow the guidelines, it would be a liability for the City. And to change the standards would need a consensus across the country to be approved.

Sgt. McCord said on the trails in Albuquerque, they have a sign ahead to advise that you are approaching a stop sign.

Mr. Romero said the stop sign ahead signage is when you cannot see the stop sign ahead - like with a bend in the road.

Councilor Vigil Coppler noted at BTAC, we spoke about Arroyo Chamiso at Yucca street. Sgt. McCord indicated he almost got hit there because of a fence that goes up to the trail and blocks the view.

Sgt. McCord said he sent a memo to Code Enforcement. We really need Code Enforcement to let us know if they had no permit or an inaccurate permit.

Mr. Pacheco said if someone is putting up a new fence, it would go through Traffic review. Mr. Romero agreed, if it was permitted.

Councilor Vigil Coppler didn't believe there are any stop signs at Carlos Rey and Yucca. Sgt. McCord agreed.

Councilor Vigil Coppler said there are cyclists who don't even look to see if cars are coming there. And with the fence there, they can't see them, and it is a most dangerous intersection. There are kids walking home from school who have to cross Carlos Rey. Even a flashing yellow light would lower the danger there. It is just a high populated area for cyclists and a high crash area. There is another in Nave Adé at Dancing Ground, where they have to cross the street to continue walking on that street. That one needs attention also.

Mr. Pacheco said they just install new infrastructure on Arroyo Chamiso last summer. If there are not stop signs there, we can address that.

Mr. Romero said they will look at those areas. That fence means they do need to stop there. Traffic does a gap analysis with a person on site to count the gaps in traffic and determine how long it takes to cross the road and determine how many 30 second gaps there are in traffic in an hour. If there are not enough gaps, we put in flashing lights. We get requests at all of the crossings. They cost about \$20,000 to

install. We will review those two areas and it should be vetted through the Engineering Division.

Councilor Harris said the fence should be investigation right away. He thought the wooden portion of the fence extends into the ROW. He believed that median refuge is the biggest thing we can do. We can put markings, but people get lax in the way they operate.

He thanked Sgt. McCord for a very good report. It would be useful to pass it on to NMDOT because the highest incidents seem to be around state highways.

In looking at the pace of crashes, it appears they are steadily increasing.

Sgt. McCord agreed. We were at 38 crashes through March this year. But if there are no signs, I cannot enforce or cite a person for violating a bike lane that is not marked. It has to be marked.

He added that there is a Denver company that makes a bicycle radar and we could drive around and a vehicle gets too close and that vehicles would get pulled over by a police car ahead. The radar takes pictures and records it just like radar for speeding.

Councilor Harris said he has talked with Mr. Romero about striping in crossings. He said at the time that signs are less expensive and last longer than striping. Traffic should coordinate with Sgt. McCord for better signage. Is that feasible?

Mr. Romero agreed. He said this is the first he has heard of this report. This is valuable data and we will see what we can do. On Cerrillos Road, we would have to see if we have signage that could be confused with the auxiliary lane.

Councilor Harris said the biggest challenge is human behavior. It all goes back to education.

Chair Villarreal asked about crashes on or near the railroad tracks.

Ms. Austin-Cordell said two were taken out because they were vehicles out of the time frame. Of the six, they were not on the railroad tracks. Those were the only crashes in the data that were even close to railroad tracks. Bicycles getting tires stuck in the tracks are not reportable.

Mr. Pacheco hoped this is an ongoing data collection. BTAC is requesting a pedestrian crash data analysis next. The ability of police to analyze it is new and just the beginning.

Chair Villarreal said the documents are needed for bike lanes. There were no recommendations in this report so that is something that could be done. She didn't know who would do that.

Sgt. McCord said he would take that on.

Ms. Austin-Cordell said she would do the pedestrian study. She agreed to get the end of bike lane included as data in the crash reports. Adjustments to the analysis is something that would grow each year.

There were things she did not put in the report that she could include. She looked at the data and found 41% reported no injuries. 63% required no transport or declined to be transported. 36 did get transported. About 57% who sustained an injury went to the hospital. So there is a lot more that can be analyzed. The only fatality was a pedestrian who walked into the train.

## **CONSENT AGENDA LISTING**

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Councilor Harris asked if this is a standard parking rate that we have used for any large group. Or is it negotiated rates?

Mr. Correia said it is standard. It is a two-year agreement and with the new administration building, likely increase. We will renegotiate with the county for vehicles parked at the garage.

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Chair Villarreal asked how many meters are included.

Mr. Correia said there are six spaces on Montezuma and ADA for four spaces. There are also four on Grant Avenue.

**MOTION:** Councilor Harris moved, seconded by Councilor Vigil Coppler, to approve the Memorandum of Understanding with the County.

**VOTE:** The motion passed by unanimous (3-0) voice vote with Councilors Vigil Coppler, Harris, and Villarreal voting in the affirmative and none voting against.

## 10. MATTERS FROM STAFF

There were no matters from Staff.

## 11. MATTERS FROM THE COMMITTEE

Councilor Harris thought we were going to start looking at CIP and Ameresco. He asked what happened to that.

Mr. Romero said the Mayor pulled the CIP and came up with guidelines for prioritization for the GRT Bond. We are waiting for that now.

Councilor Harris wondered if the Mayor is aware of the five-year CIP from 2017.

Mr. Romero said the Mayor wants to make his own criteria that make sense for him.

Councilor Harris pointed out that he is just the Mayor. This is a concern for many of us on the Council. This is a discussion with the Chair of Public Works and Chair of Finance. I will tell this to the Mayor.

## 12. MATTERS FROM THE CHAIR

There were no matters from the Chair.

## 13. NEXT MEETING: MONDAY, JUNE 25, 2018

## 14. ADJOURN

The meeting was adjourned at 6:05. [signatures on next page]

Approved by:

Peter N. Ives, Chair

Submitted by:

Carl G. Boaz for Carl G. Boaz, Inc.