



Capital Improvement Projects Task Force

Wednesday, January 14, 2009—3:00 p.m.

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100 West Broadway, Suite 120

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Members Present: Craig Beck (Long Beach Development Services), Richard Lewis (DLBA Board), John Morris (DLBA Board), Brian Ulaszewski (Studio 111)

Members Absent: Cory Kristoff (DLBA Board)

Guests: Sumire Gant (City of Long Beach)

Staff: Kraig Kojian, Erin Murphy

Bicycle Paths

Gant presented information on proposed upgrades to the City's Bicycle Paths. The stated mission includes creating safe, connected, easy to navigate bike routes; offering bike-friendly public facilities, transit, and shops; promoting bike share opportunities throughout the city; encouraging the community, through education, to create a culture where cyclists and motorists interact safely; and implementing fun, healthy bicycle programs. Gant highlighted current efforts to provide additional artistic bike racks and offer City employees the bike share program. Proposed upgrades include creating protected one-way bike lanes on Broadway and 3rd Street between Golden and Alamitos as well as protected two-way lanes on 3rd Street between Alamitos and Junipero. Other plans include creating bike boulevards, which often result in traffic calming, with a conceptual boulevard envisioned for Vista between Temple and Nieto. Gant also discussed painting "sharrows" on existing traffic lanes to legitimize bike traffic on streets and provide visual clues to motorists about bike traffic. Such sharrows are planned for 2nd Street in Belmont Shore. Gant was careful to mention that proposed bike upgrades would have a minimum impact on available parking inventory.

The Task Force inquired about ample room for street sweepers, placement of parking meters, bike signals to avoid potential collisions with cars, potential impact on emptying automated trash containers, and the date of implementation.

Alamitos Corridor

Beck described Alamitos Avenue as a key Downtown gateway and presented renderings of potential median improvements that included solar light, art, biofiltration systems, and destination branding. Beck added that the RDA will be working with an architect to create a plan to implement.



Armory Park

Brian Ulaszewski provided an overview of his design to create park space at the intersection of 6th Street, 7th Street, and Martin Luther King, Jr. Boulevard. There was some discussion about impact on traffic patterns, so Beck suggested that the City's Traffic Engineer be invited to address the CIP TF and perhaps follow up with outreach to St. Anthony's.

Pine Avenue RFP and Design Competition

Beck reported that the Pine Avenue RFP process and Design Competition are moving forward.

Promenade Ice Rink

Kraig Kojian and Beck discussed the ongoing construction on the Promenade, including the temporary relocation of the BikeStation and a potential Smart Car sharing lot.

There was no public comment.

The meeting was adjourned at 4:00 p.m.

Next Meeting:
TBD

- To be discussed:
- Armory Park and Traffic Patterns
 - Design Competition
 - Update on Ocean Boulevard art installation