## **Liana Campos**

From: Deborah Lopez

**Sent:** Tuesday, July 18, 2017 11:16 AM **To:** Liana Campos; David Cutaia

**Subject:** FW: Comment letter for B.4 Professional Services Agreement for the 101 Overpass

Project Approval and Environmental Documentation Phase

**Attachments:** Goleta 101 overpass meeting 7-18-17.pdf

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Sent: Monday, July 17, 2017 4:46 PM

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Cc: Eve Sanford <eve@sbbike.org>

**Subject:** Comment letter for B.4 Professional Services Agreement for the 101 Overpass Project Approval and Environmental Documentation Phase

Dear City Council,

Please see attached letter regarding the 101 overpass project which will be discussed at the council meeting tomorrow (7-18-17). Please fell free to contact me if you have any questions/concerns.

Warmest regards,

Michael Iza

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July 17, 2017

Mayor and Councilmembers City of Goleta 130 Cremona Drive, Suite B Goleta. CA 93117

RE: Agenda Item B.4 Professional Services Agreement for the 101 Overpass Project Approval and Environmental Documentation Phase

Dear Mayor and Councilmembers:

We are pleased to see the Highway 101 overpass project moving forward. As you know, this is a much needed project to improve access and safety between North and South Goleta neighborhoods, which are bisected by Highway 101. One of the major roadblocks regarding adequate bicycle and pedestrian safety has been the inadequate number of pedestrian and bicycle crossings over Highway 101 in various areas, including those included in the current alternatives set. While the staff report addresses some of these issues by acknowledging the need for an overpass to be constructed between Winchester and Storke Ave, there are still many unanswered questions the report does not address, including: what is the basic graphic layout of the three alternatives; how was it decided to build only alternatives that include vehicle traffic; why has there been no public input since 2008 - why are the alternatives based on public input from 9 years ago?

The staff report verbally describes the three alternatives to be evaluated. It seems that each is the same, but in slightly different locations. It is not clear what the layout would be, and where exactly they would be placed. Please provide an addendum to the staff report that shows what these alternatives are and where they would be located.

Although the alternatives include some pedestrian and cycling facilities in the proposal, these facilities are the absolute bare minimum - a sidewalk and a Class II bike lane. We request the inclusion of an alternative that meets the needs of the community and the project goals, such as the inclusion of a Class I protected bike lane to ensure adequate safety is provided to all the communities this project will support - especially of students traveling to and from DPHS, Ellwood, and Brandon elementary schools.

The staff report states that input for the projects was received from two public meetings which were held in 2008. It is clear that many things have changed in this area of Goleta in the past nine years - including various new developments that were not present during 2008. Specifically, the Storke and Hollister intersection has undergone drastic changes in vehicular traffic and road redesigns that significantly impact the residents of Goleta. Because of these significant changes to the way vehicular traffic operates in these areas, as well as the addition of multiple recent commercial and housing developments, we request that the public input portion of the pending contract include two

additional specific informational workshops for the Ellwood and Brandon neighborhoods. These additional meetings ideally should occur at the beginning of this contract term and focus on residents and schools. The objective of these meetings would be to inform the public of the project and gather more recent, relevant input, which would streamline the environmental review and overall public approval process in the end.

We look forward to the development of a new and much needed route connecting the neighborhoods and schools of North and South Goleta. As time is of the essence in this development, we also urge the Council to direct relevant, thorough, and inclusive development and environmental review.

Warmest Regards,

## Michael Iza

Michael Iza, Goleta Resident (Brandon Neighborhood)

Additionally signed:

Sara Iza, Goleta Resident (Brandon Neighborhood)
Dave Shea, Goleta Resident (Brandon Neighborhood)
David Abel, Goleta Resident (Ellwood Neighborhood)
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## **Liana Campos**

From:

Deborah Lopez

Sent:

Tuesday, July 18, 2017 11:15 AM

To:

Liana Campos; David Cutaia

Subject:

FW: Input on Item B4. 101 Overpass Project

**Attachments:** 

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This has already been provided to Council. Please upload and make copies for the dais and public.

From: Stuart Kasdin

Sent: Tuesday, July 18, 2017 9:07 AM

To: Michelle Greene <mgreene@cityofgoleta.org>; Deborah Lopez <dlopez@cityofgoleta.org>

Subject: FW: Input on Item B4. 101 Overpass Project

**From:** Eve Sanford [eve@sbbike.org] **Sent:** Tuesday, July 18, 2017 9:01 AM

To: Kyle Richards; Paula Perotte; Roger Aceves; Michael Bennett; Stuart Kasdin

**Cc:** Michelle Greene

Subject: Input on Item B4. 101 Overpass Project

Hello,

I'm writing on behalf of the Santa Barbara Bicycle Coalition to give input on Item B4. regarding the Western Goleta Overpass Project

- We request that staff include maps of the alignment alternatives and roadway widths in future staff reports and on the <u>project website</u>. Given the size of this investment, we feel that it it reasonable to include that level of detail in order for the public to better understand and give input on this project
- We strongly recommend the inclusion of a Class 1 Bike Path or Class 4 Protected bike lane in
  order to meet the desired goals of safety and user-friendliness for people biking and walking.
  (see attached photos for Class 4 Protected Bike Lane designs on similar projects). The
  separation is essential for ensuring that people of all ages and abilities feel safe using the
  proposed overpass. In regards to street sweepers, city sweepers can clean these new Class 4
  designs as they are typically the width of a car parking lane.
- We also support additional public outreach given that the last outreach was conducted 8 years and could be updated with feedback from the community and conditions that exist today.

Thank you for considering our input and for your attention to this important transportation investment.

Sincerely, Eve Sanford Santa Barbara Bicycle Coalition





