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Subject: NTGS input to A.1 21.253 City Council Meeting on the CIP budget
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City of Goleta

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Dear Mayor Perotte, City Council, and City Leaders:

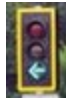
Regarding: New Town Goleta Safety (NTGS) input into CIP prioritization

I regret that I will not be able to attend the June 8th CIP focused City Council meeting. For this reason, I would like to provide you with the input from NTGS (New Town Goleta Safety). First, I would like to recognize the financial, emotional, and physical challenges that the pandemic has caused the City and Goleta residents. I applaud the City's efforts to exercise cost control and encourage positivity while moving forward responsibly with governance and safety while meeting City commitments. I understand that it will be quite a while before we are back to some level of "normal". With that in mind, I would like to offer NTGS's input for CIP prioritization. I also recognize that the City will need to identify supplemental funding sources to keep up with the demands of our growing community. As discussed in previous meetings, this could be a temporary sales tax increase, loans, grants, an increase in the cannabis taxes, possible funding from Federal Infrastructure legislation, or COVID recovery funding.

NTGS priorities are:

I. Focus on the Goleta infrastructure: Our roads are our single greatest asset and they have deteriorated to a serious and substandard level of maintenance.

- a. Repair and/or reconstruction of Goleta's failing network of roads should be a top priority.
 - i. **Infrastructure Maintenance** - Build out and connect the City's bicycle network while repairing the roads should be a requirement.
 - ii. **CIP 9053** - Repair or replace the Cathedral Oaks crib wall
 - iii. **CIP 9114** - Complete the interim striping project in Old Town to connect the bicycle network and improve pedestrian crossings.
 - iv. **CIP 9083** - Move forward with the grant funded signal upgrade project and add the yellow "back plate" edge to all signals to help with signal visibility.



II. **Pedestrian and bicycle safety improvements on all freeway overpasses (and underpasses):** (Patterson, Fairview, Los Carneros, Glenn Annie/Storke, and Cathedral Oaks.)

- a. **CIP – TBD** - Utilize the Bicycle Pedestrian Master Plan for direction on improving bicycle safety and routes on the overpasses.
- b. **CIP 9006, 9007-1, 9007-2** Complete all phases of the San Jose creek pedestrian and bicycle freeway underpass from Calle Real to Old Town Goleta (and then the bike lane to Goleta Beach). This will be a significant safety improvement and help join our old and new town communities.

III. **Pedestrian safety improvements:**

- a. **CIP 9087** - Complete the grant funded and approved PHB (HAWK) controlled crosswalk on Calle Real (mid span) between Encina Lane (Bank of America) and the Kyles Kitchen crosswalk.
- b. **CIP 9099** - Complete the grant funded and approved PHB (HAWK) controlled crosswalk on Calle Real at the Fairview Center entrance/exit. (Near Cajun Kitchen). A Safe Routes to Schools project.
- c. **CIP 9083 - Signal upgrades:** Signal, speed control, and ADA improvements at the intersection of Fairview and Encina Road. This is the primary crossing point for 600 senior residents at Encina Royale and other community members navigating to and from Fairview Center.
- d. **CIP TBD-z02 995- (#30 on the previous CIP top prioritization list).** Add a signal, crosswalks, and bike lane at Stow Canyon Road and N. Fairview (this involves moving power lines underground). Add a bike lane along the easement at Fairview Gardens to connect the divided Stow Canyon road links (providing controlled access between Kellogg Elementary School and Goleta Valley Jr. High) **Note: There was a motorcyclist death at intersection 2019. Prioritized by City but not currently funded. Needs a grant request submitted.**
- e. **CIP 9088** - Safe Routes to Schools crosswalks (3) on Cathedral Oaks.
- f. **Pavement maintenance or CIP TBD** - Improve non-compliant or missing school crossings (crosswalks and ADA ramps) on Stow Canyon in front of GVJH/SB Charter School (***This is follow-up action on a meeting with school officials, COAST (Safe Routes to Schools) - Kim Stanley, NTGS –Steve George, Sheriff's Dept., and DPW-Charlie Ebeling in 2019***)
- g. **CIP 9083** - Add crosswalk on Calle Real at N. Kellogg (In front of the Neighborhood Clinic) to the MTD stop.
- h. **CIP – TBD** - Add a sidewalk along the south side of Calle Real from N. Kellogg to the businesses to the west from the MTD bus stop. Currently pedestrians are required to walk in the busy street.
- i. **CIP – TBD** - Add crosswalks, as outlined in the BPMP, targeting high pedestrian locations with greater than **600 feet** to other crosswalks.
 - i. Storke Rd. between Hollister and Phelps Rd. (possibly at Santa Felicia Dr.) This location has high pedestrian and bicycle activity due to the number of UCSB students, people

using Girsh park and the skate rink, as well as going to and from the Market Place Center.

ii. Cathedral Oaks at Arundel. This location connects residents with several churches, church schools, and a large athletic club. This was also the site of a recent accident.

iii. Hollister between Storke Rd. and Coromar Dr. (a significant number of research company employees can be seen jaywalking here daily going to and from Target Center).

iv. N. Kellogg (Safe Routes to Schools) at Coralino Rd. This is a frequent route for school kids going to Kellogg Elementary school.

IV. **CIP 9086** - Use the Goleta LRSP to help reduce Speed Limits on identified road segments.

a. Consider blending the LRSP (Local Road Safety Plan) with **Vision Zero**. The State identifies both as meeting the specified requirements and they are based on the same principles. This would also allow the utilization of the \$10K budget amount with the grant amount for the LRSP and raise the priority of Vision Zero to a realization level.

Thank You. Sincerely,

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To: Michelle Greene, City Manager
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Re: Capital Improvement Program Budget Workshop for Fiscal Years 2021/22 and 2022/23

It is stated on page 2 that “due to recent staffing and funding challenges for delivering projects in the Five-Year CIP.....City staff will work with a consultant to prepare a CIP. Is this consultant a City employee? Does he/she live in Goleta? It appears that the City is currently faced with a gap of **108.5 million dollars**.

But the City is receiving \$5,933,990 from the US Treasury Department a funding officially called the Coronavirus Local Fiscal Recovery Fund (CLFRF). I hope this money will be used to give the homeless a place to live.

Under Neighborhood Services and Public Safety annual work program projects 2021/22 #3 is project 9066 “Miscellaneous Park Improvements” with a total cost of **734,150 dollars** and #11 is project 9108 Winchester II Park improvements with a cost of **290,000 dollars** both are mentioned that the Project phase is “Design/Bid”.

But Staff in the papers presented to City Council on December 1, 2020 Agenda Item A7 that was pulled for discussion state that “staff has requested that this project bid with CIP No 9066 and as one construction opportunity” see page 3. On page 4 it states:” There is currently **\$ 609,450** allocated for the installation at these **four park sites**, which is to include the ADA site improvements, equipment installation, unitary playground surfacing, contingency and construction management. Now we see Winchester II separated. Adding the total cost of “the improvements it comes to **\$ 1,024,150** over a million dollars.

We are in a drought and pandemic and the City is allowing “Improvements” in four parks.

Why is Fire station No.10 still unfunded and there is much residential construction that is not in the price range for lower -income residents of Goleta.

When is the Cathedral Oaks Crib Wall Repair going to begin is the cost \$2,100,000? Or more.