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# MINUTES

**DATE:** February 7, 2018  
**TO:** Iron Horse Corridor Advisory Committee  
**FROM:** Carl J. Roner, Public Works Department  
**SUBJECT:** Record of February 5, 2018 Meeting

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The following is a record of the Iron Horse Corridor (IHC) Advisory Committee meeting on February 5, 2018.

**Members present:** Dan Cunning, Lesley Hunt, Andrew Bryant, Harry Sachs, Dan Mackay

**Staff present:** Carrie Ricci, County Public Works Department  
Carl J. Roner, County Public Works Department  
Mark De La O, County Public Works Department  
Lia Bristol, Supervisor Karen Mitchoff's Office

### 1. Open the meeting

Meeting called to order at 4:23 p.m.

### 2. Public Comment (Items not listed on the agenda)

None.

### 3. Approval of August 7, 2017 Meeting Minutes

Motion to approve the minutes. Motion passed with the following vote:

AYES: Bryant, Cunning, Hunt, and Sachs  
NOES: None  
ABSENT: Proctor  
ABSTAIN: Mackay

### 4. PG&E Tree Replacement Program

Greg Saenz of PG&E presented their vegetation management program in the IHC. PG&E is planning on removing 420 trees on the IHC from just north of Crow Canyon Road to just south of Bollinger Canyon Road. Half of these trees are less than 12 inches in diameter. PG&E is offering to provide three educational planting areas in the IHC; one, just north of Norris Canyon Road; and two on both sides of Crow Canyon Road. Proposed vegetation for the plantings would be: 1) A grassland option; 2) A native option; and 3) a pollinator option. Trees would be 1 to 15 gallon size. Native grasses would be from seed. Plantings would be installed in the fall/winter of 2018, as funding for the work is not guaranteed after 2018. Board and staff members raised and discussed a number of concerns, including pesticide use, funding for long-term maintenance, safety, fire issues, mass transit easements in the corridor and an agreement between the County and PG&E.

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The committee members asked PG&E to come to the May committee meeting to share the following information:

- Revised planting plan with utilities shown, including any revisions to the plant palette.
- Additional research on how stumps would be addressed.
- Results of research of other locations for water.
- Abatement restrictions from San Ramon Valley Fire.
- Results of discussion with San Ramon to make sure proposed planting will not conflict with future pedestrian overcrossings.

### **5. Maintenance of Walden Green II**

This is an informational item. Walden Green II landscaping improvements, which were funded by Redevelopment, included five years of landscape maintenance and irrigation. Funding for Walden Green II, which is about \$20,000/year runs out in April. After April, irrigation service to the area will be shut off and it will be mowed once a year to meet fire standards. An existing garbage can for the area will have to be removed. EBRPD said they may be able to put a garbage can in this location.

### **6. Review IHC Trust Fund Fiscal Year Report**

Staff provided the committee with Trust Fund revenue and expenditures. Funding has remained stable, with an increase of approximately \$18,000. Board members expressed an interest in looking at commercial opportunities for the IHC.

### **7. Reports from Committee Members and Staff**

Staff provided the current list of IHC projects and their status. Dan Cunning explained that there had been some delays in the surface treatment program for the trail, but that work should begin in June of 2018. EBRPD will have a detailed schedule available at the May meeting. Lia Bristol discussed the how parents had illicitly built a stairway at Walnut Creek Middle School that was subsequently removed. District 4 staff had a meeting with School District staff and parents. The County is open to partnership regarding the issue and is currently waiting for a response from the School District.

### **8. Consider agenda topics and date for next meeting**

The next meeting date will be Wednesday, May 9, 2018 at 4:30 p.m. Staff will coordinate with committee members to determine whether an alternate location will be used for the next meeting.

Suggested agenda topics:

- Selection of Chair and Vice Chair
- PG&E Tree Replacement Program
- Trail Paving
- Trust Fund