



## **RIO VISTA GENERAL PLAN WORKING GROUP**

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**REGULAR MEETING  
IN PERSON AND TELECONFERENCE**

**MINUTES  
THURSDAY, JUNE 1, 2023**

**5:00 P.M. – REGULAR MEETING**

**CITY HALL COUNCIL CHAMBERS  
ONE MAIN STREET  
RIO VISTA, CALIFORNIA 94571**

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### **1. CALL TO ORDER – ROLL CALL – PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

**PRESENT:** Chairman Walt Stanish, Vice Chair Lisa Hechtman, Edwin Okamura, Tom Donnelly, Emmette Holtslander, Judith Adamson and Lisa Duke

**ABSENT:** Arthur Darden and Rick Dolk

Chairman Stanish opened the meeting at 5:00PM

### **2. PUBLIC COMMENT – See instructions on Page 1**

Public comment was not received.

### 3. ACTION ITEMS

3.1 Approve the minutes from May 4, 2023.

Motion to approve by committee member Donnelly and second by committee member Holtslander approve May 4, 2023, Regular Meeting Minutes passed by the following roll call vote:

**AYES:** Chairman Walt Stanish, Vice Chair Lisa Hechtman, Edwin Okamura, Tom Donnelly, Emmette Holtslander, Judith Adamson and Lisa Duke

**NOES:** None

**ABSENT:** Arthur Darden and Rick Dolk

### 4. DISCUSSION ITEMS

#### 4.1 Draft Bicycle and Pedestrian Improvements

Carly Hoyt from Fehr and Peers provided an update on the draft bicycle and pedestrian improvements. The following topics were covered:

- Overview of Prior Active Transportation Planning Efforts
- Overview of Comments Received at GP Public Workshop
- Potential Additional Active Transportation Connections
- Near-term and Long-term Priorities
- Next Steps

Comments from GPWG: Grade separation between Church and Drouin is in the current GP. The Working Group confirmed the grade separated crossing is in correct location. Carly commented that Caltrans plans are advanced and changes to the culvert to provide an undercrossing could impact construction plans (utility relocation plans is an issue).

#### **Overview of Prior Active Transportation Planning Efforts**

Prior active transportation planning efforts were conducted through the RioVision R/UDAT Report. It was a cooperative effort to strategically access opportunities in Rio Vista. Active transportation components included: improve walkability and establish good pedestrian design, increase visibility for bicyclists and pedestrians, create a connected bike/ped network, bike parking facilities particularly in downtown, and manage parking demand in downtown. Maps were shown on proposed trails and bikeways from previous planning studies.

Caltrans State Highway Operation and Protection Program (SHOPP) Project has three segments in Rio Vista:

- Segment 1: McClosky Rd to Azevedo Rd – under construction
- Segment 2: Summerset Rd to Drouin Dr.
- Segment 3: Drouin Dr to County Line
  - Segments 2 and 3 – design is 95-100% complete and in utility/ROW acquisition phase; construction anticipated 2024/2025

Rio Vista Active Transportation Plan was adopted by STA in 2020. It includes a thorough existing conditions analysis and identifies a backbone bicycle and pedestrian network based on high demand routes intended to promote cross-town connectivity and maximize available curb to curb right-of-way to keep costs as low as possible.

### **Overview of General Plan Workshop Key Takeaways**

- Between 58 and 67 percent of respondents feel the lack of bicycle or pedestrian facilities make walking or biking difficult and indicated they would walk or bike more if there were more facilities.
- Most residents feel safe walking.
- Most residents feel neutral or very unsafe biking.
- Many feels walking and biking is inefficient.
- Walking, biking, and driving were evenly noted as the preferred travel mode, if travel was safer and more efficient.

### ***Favorite places to walk or bike include:***

- Airport Road between Liberty Island Road and Church Road
- Summerset Drive in Trilogy
- River Road (some noted they enjoy this strictly because of the view but indicated bicycle/pedestrian improvements are necessary)
- The Promenade
- Major roads around Summit (Liberty Island Road, McCormack Road, Province Path)

### ***Least favorite places to walk or bike include:***

- Highway 12
- St Francis Way
- River Road (due to poor facilities)
- Airport Road between Church Road and River Road
- Church Road

## **Potential Additional Connections**

*Comments from GPWG:*

### **River Road:**

- Shown as a Class IV – no notation for pedestrian facility. GPWG would want pedestrian as well as bicycle facilities.
- Undercrossing – interest in how bike/ped facilities will be routed under Highway 12 bridge.

### **Priorities**

- Near-term improvements – 0-5 years

### **GPWG comments:**

- Grant applications
- ATP Planning
- Airport – Trail along Airport from Church to St. Francis (will go for RFP)
- Easement across the drainage way – St. Francis to the promenade
- Mid-term improvements – 5-10 years
- Long-term improvements – 10+ year

## **4.2 Public Facilities and Services Element Update**

The Public Facilities and Services Element includes public improvements and services that directly affect the lives of Rio Vista residents. The consultant team is working with City staff on the draft Goals, Policies, and Programs, and a complete Public Facilities Element will be shared with the GPWG at the next meeting.

Public facilities and services can be considered in three categories:

- City facilities and services – City owns and operates
- Independent district facilities and services – City coordinates and consults with an independent entity
- Private entity facilities and services – City may contract for services or coordinate and consult with providers

City facilities and services can be divided into three categories:

- Utilities: Water, Wastewater, and Drainage
- Facilities: Parks, Community Buildings
- Services: Police, Fire, Recreation, and Road Maintenance

These facilities are under the direct control of the City and the City is solely responsible for ensuring these facility and service needs are met.

***Independent Agencies and Districts:***

- The River Delta Unified School District is an independent agency governed by independent elected officials.
- The City works collaboratively with the District, but ultimately the District is responsible for ensuring school facilities and educational programs best serve the community.
- County departments and agencies.
- Health Department, GIS, Solano Airport Land Use Commission, Solano Transportation Authority

Private entities:

- Solid Waste (under contract to City)
- Electrical and natural gas service
- Telecommunications
- City coordinates and consults with these entities.
- With the exception of Solid Waste, City has little control over these services.

**References and information on the following outside agencies will be included:**

- Solano County Library
- Sandy Beach Regional Park
- Mosquito Abatement District
- CapSolano
- Groundwater Basin Entity – discuss potential controls
- Sheriff

The Preliminary Draft Public Facilities and Services Element Goals were shared with the GPWG for input.

**4.3 Draft Open Space and Conservation Element**

**Preliminary Draft Open Space and Conservation Element has been provided to the GPWG and addresses the following topics:**

- Open Space and Scenic Resources
- Biological Resources
- Historic and Cultural Resources
- Air Quality and Greenhouse Gas Emissions
- Farmland, Mineral and Natural Gas Resources
- Water Resources and Water Quality

The consultant team will provide Word versions of each Element so revisions can be provided to the consultant team (using track changes).

#### **4.4 Next Steps**

Preparation of a complete draft of Public Facilities and Services Element. Revisions to the Land Use Element and Open Space Element will also be made. The next GPWG meeting is tentatively scheduled for July 6, 2023.

#### **5. Information Items**

No updates

#### **6. Staff announcements/comments**

Contract Planner Paul Junker, gave a brief update on the Delta Protection Commission

#### **7. Adjournment**

Chairman Stanish adjourned the meeting at 6:15 PM

*Krystine Ball*

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Krystine Ball, General Plan Working Group Clerk