

**ACTION MINUTES
SPECIAL MEETING OF THE
ARROYO GRANDE BRISCO-HALCYON INTERCHANGE SUBCOMMITTEE
WEDNESDAY, MARCH 30, 2022
LOCATION CHANGE
ARROYO GRANDE CITY COUNCIL CHAMBER
215 EAST BRANCH STREET, ARROYO GRANDE**

1. CALL TO ORDER

Community Development Director Brian Pedrotti called the special Arroyo Grande Brisco-Halcyon Interchange Subcommittee meeting to order at 10:38 a.m. Due to the late change in the meeting location additional time was allotted before the meeting was called to order.

The Committee agreed to hear item 4 before item 3.

2. ROLL CALL

Board: Committee Members Jimmy Paulding and Keith Storton were present.

Staff Present: City Manager Whitney McDonald, Assistant City Manager / Public Works Director Bill Robeson, Community Development Director Brian Pedrotti, City Engineer Robin Dickerson and Assistant Planner Patrick Holub were present.

4. DISCUSSION ITEMS

City Engineer Dickerson made a presentation to the committee presenting the results of the Proposals for design of the Brisco Interchange Modification Project. The following options were discussed:

- No project option
- Award as proposed
- Award as a reduced scope

City Engineer Dickerson also responded to questions regarding utility relocations, future costs and their funding sources and the feasibility of reduced scope and changing course back to alt 1.

City Manager McDonald answered a question regarding potential impacts to the City's pavement management program if the Brisco project were fully funded.

Following the presentation Committee Member Paulding opened the public comment period.

Steve Junor asked two questions regarding costs and whether or not their funding sources were currently ambiguous.

Mark Mankins spoke about the importance of providing adequate truck turning radii and access to the businesses in the Brisco area and commented that pavement management citywide should be a bigger priority than simply improving this one interchange.

Patty Welsh commented that it is probably time to pull out of this project.

John King asked a question regarding other funding sources available.

Cissy Pace spoke about how costs have increased dramatically and that she does not like roundabouts.

Hearing no further public comment, the public comment period was closed.

Committee Member Paulding made a number of comments regarding the project and stated that spending more money on this project is not a good decision. He explained his original and continuing opposition to this alternative, but mentioned that Level of Service (LOS) is still a problem. He stated that the City should prioritize making the City more bike-able and walkable. He stated that the reduced scope option would further the Sunk Cost Fallacy and that we should shift resources to other projects and priorities in the City. Without specific costs known and without a financial plan to pay for them, he supported the “No Project” option.

Committee Member Storton made a number of comments regarding the project and outlined his original support for the project. He continued by explaining why he was opposed to Alternative 1. He stated that the expenses for this project have become ridiculous and that the Council needs to discuss the future of this project. He supported the “No Project” option.

3. PUBLIC COMMENT

None.

5. ADJOURNMENT:

The meeting adjourned at 11:47 am.

**PATRICK HOLUB
ASSISTANT PLANNER
(Approved at AGBHIS Mtg _____)**

**JIMMY PAULDING
COMMITTEE MEMBER**

**KEITH STORTON
COMMITTEE MEMBER**