

Loop Steering Committee Meeting
12/16/2015

Attending: Dianne Bates, Michael Kerbow, Patricia Fonseca, Jean Bogiages, Sheldon Trimble, Steven Solomon, Kelli Resnick (DPW), Sarah Moos (Bionic)

Caltrans Fencing Proposal

The meeting began with a discussion of the fence proposal by Caltrans. Essentially, Caltrans wants to replace the chain-link fence in the Loop area with an 8ft curved on top, metal fence.

The group is not in favor of that type of fencing, since the Loop project wants to make the area beautiful and supporting positive activity. It was agreed that Sarah would create a drawing that would propose minimal fencing in places where we would need it to keep people off the freeway. Additionally, we would estimate the cost of the fencing that Caltrans proposes and request that that funding be directed towards the Loop project.

Potrero Gateway Loop Phase 1

Sarah and Kelli gave their opinion regarding the best place to start the Loop Project. The idea is that addressing the 17th street area plus the corners on Vermont and San Bruno would affect the larger community and thus be more likely to get approved by the ENCAC. When that is successfully completed, it would encourage additional funding for the remaining areas. Sarah pointed out that there is flexibility in the design and once construction/schematic work begins, adjustments can be made. Kelli spoke to Stephen Ford and found that the \$200K grant did not have to address the north part of 17th Street, but could be moved to another section of the park. Sheldon said he was concerned in that since we can't have containers on the south side, there is no design for the south side of 17th Street. Sarah talked of painting the entire underside and of fencing that is lit from behind closing off the area directly under the freeway. She also suggested that we could put up a 25ft green wall section as a prototype as part of phase 1. Sarah will review the cost estimates. We also discussed reaching out to JD Beltran regarding projection ideas. It was agreed that Phase 1 would include south side of 17th and planting the San Bruno corner and addressing the Vermont corner, not necessarily with concrete along with a 25ft prototype green wall.

GBD Loop Ideas

Jean pointed out that the GBD identifies 3 open spaces for service: Benches Garden and Park, Fallen Bridge Park and Potrero gateway Loop. Since the Loop is not build yet, Jean will propose that GBD take an adopt-a-highway permit and use GBD services to maintain behind the fence. Also, GBD services could address the DPW sidewalk area and the rail that is full of graffiti as well as trash pickup.

Action Items

- Kelli will set up a meeting with Al Lee of Caltrans regarding the fence
- We will work to get on the ENCAC January agenda
- Sarah will update a drawing to include a minimal fence proposal

Notes by Jean Bogiages