PLANNING COMMITTEE REPORT
REGULAR MEETING
THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 8, 2018, AT 10:00 A.M.

A regular meeting of the Planning Committee was convened by the Active Chairman, Leslie Birdsall, at 10:00 a.m. on Thursday, February 8, 2018, in the Board Room at Gateway Complex.

Present, in addition to the Active Chairman, were Carl W. Brown and Melvin C. Fredlund. Also attending were Geri Pyle, President, and Robert D. Kelso, Secretary, and Mary Neff, Treasurer, GRF; Timothy O'Keefe, CEO; Dennis Bell, Public Safety Manager; Rafat Raie, City Traffic Engineer; and three residents.

The Planning Committee’s report of its meeting held on November 16, 2017, was approved with one amendment.

During the Residents' Forum Mr. Kelso shared concerns about the proposals noted in item #7a of the agenda, specifically item S-3, Crosswalk on Golden Rain Road at the Gateway Complex and item N-4, Install golf cart lanes in both directions on Rossmoor Parkway from Stanley Dollar to Tice Creek.

Mrs. Neff commented on item N-4, Install golf cart lanes in both directions on Rossmoor Parkway from Stanley Dollar to Tice Creek, specifically Rossmoor Parkway street parking.

The Chairman addressed Mr. Kelso's concerns regarding S-3, Crosswalk on Golden Rain Road at the Gateway Complex.

Mr. Bell introduced Rafat Raie, City Traffic Engineer, to the Committee. Mr. Raie was invited to talk about the Committee's specific proposals and offer his recommendations. Mr. Raie went on to address item S-3, Crosswalk on Golden Rain Road at the Gateway Complex, and explained his recommendation to eliminate the crosswalk. Mr. Bell and Mr. Raie answered questions from the Committee. Discussion followed.

Mr. Brown addressed item S-2, Crosswalk Rossmoor Parkway and Golden Rain Road, with an additional handout distributed to Committee members and attendees. The handout covered specifically, Option #1 of this recommendation, to widen the crosswalk by moving the eastern line and repaint the crosswalk ladder style. Mr. Bell informed the Committee that GRF staff are currently systematically addressing ladder style crosswalk repainting to coincide with scheduled repaving throughout Rossmoor.

Mr. Bell reviewed item S-2, Crosswalk Rossmoor Parkway and Golden Rain Road, Options #1 and #2 with the Committee. Discussion followed.

A motion was made by Mr. Birdsall, seconded by Mr. Fredlund, and CARRIED, to recommend to the GRF Board that it approve the Rossmoor Parkway and Golden Rain Road improvements, item S-2, Crosswalk Rossmoor Parkway and Golden Rain Road, relocating the
crosswalk by moving the east line of the crosswalk up with the curb line. Creating better site distances for vehicles and realign the crosswalk with the corners of the intersection. Site distances will be improved for both drivers and pedestrians and right-of-way confusion reduced. The island will provide a refuge location for pedestrians to stop and watch for traffic. This will require relocating two ADA ramps and adding a pathway across the northwest island. Dennis Bell was asked to create a full design for the Board.

A motion was made by Mr. Birdsall, seconded by Mr. Fredlund, and CARRIED, to recommend to the GRF Board that it approve the Golden Rain Road at the Gateway Complex improvements, item S-3, Removal of the crosswalk and roadway pedestrian markings. Pedestrians to use the crosswalk at Tice Creek or Rossmoor Parkway and Golden Rain Road. Dennis Bell was asked to explore a barrier to prevent pedestrian crossing.

Mr. Brown addressed item S-4, Tice Creek and Golden Rain intersection pedestrian crossing, and distributed an additional handout to the Committee.

The Chairman addressed item S-4, Tice Creek and Golden Rain intersection pedestrian crossing, specifically Option #2, Install solar powered MUTCD compliant and pedestrian activated flashing LED stop signs in all directions at the intersections. Mr. Bell and Mr. Raie answered questions from the Committee. Discussion followed.

A motion was made by Mr. Fredlund, seconded by Mr. Brown, and CARRIED, to recommend to the GRF Board that it approve the Tice Creek and Golden Rain intersection pedestrian crossing improvements, item S-4, Install solar powered MUTCD compliant and pedestrian activated flashing LED stop signs in all directions at the intersections.

Mr. Bell updated the Committee on item S-5, Crosswalk on Tice Creek and Oakmont, and explained that RRFB’s are no longer in use. Mr. Brown shared a possible alternative with a handout to the Committee regarding wireless solar powered flashing signage. Messrs. O’Keefe, Bell and Raie addressed questions from the Committee.

After further discussion, a motion was made by Mr. Birdsall, seconded by Mr. Fredlund, and CARRIED, to recommend to the GRF Board that it approve the Tice Creek and Oakmont improvements, item S-5, Relocate the crosswalk slightly north away from the drain, cutting thru the hedge near the bus stop for pedestrian pass thru and a painted crosswalk in the parking lot, connected to the nearest parking lot and pedestrian walk area. Install solar powered, pedestrian activated signage.

The Chairman reviewed the Golden Rain Road and Tice Creek improvements, specifically items N-1, Install golf cart lanes in both directions on Golden Rain Road from Tice Creek to Pine Knoll, and N-4, Install golf cart lanes in both directions on Rossmoor Parkway from Stanley Dollar to Tice Creek. Messrs. O’Keefe and Raie
addressed questions from the Committee regarding speed and provided recommendations. Discussion followed.

A motion was made by Mr. Birdsall, seconded by Mr. Fredlund, and CARRIED, with Mr. Brown voting no, to recommend to the GRF Board that it approve golf cart lane improvements, item N-1, Install golf cart lanes in both directions on Golden Rain Road from Tice Creek to Pine Knoll, in addition to the golf cart lanes, a realignment of roadway markings to eliminate the merger on Golden Rain Road. Creating lanes westbound on Golden Rain Road with one lane becoming a left turn only lane to Pine Knoll; and item N-4, Install golf cart lanes in both directions on Rossmoor Parkway from Stanley Dollar to Tice Creek, removal of reconfiguration of the small island on the south side of Rossmoor Parkway and Stanley Dollar, and the realignment of about 300 feet of the center roadway markings.

The Chairman distributed a list of potential major projects he would like to prioritize for the Committee. He asked all those in attendance to assist in this process by numerically listing each project, as each person sees fit to prioritize, as an anonymous recommendation. These were to be handed back to the Chairman when completed. Discussion followed.

There being no further business to come before the Committee, the meeting was adjourned at 11:26 a.m.

The next regular meeting of the Planning Committee will be held on Thursday, March 8, 2018, at 10:00 a.m. in the Board Room at Gateway Complex.

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Leslie Birdsall, Member
Planning Committee

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