



**SARATOGA**  
**PEDESTRIAN, EQUESTRIAN & BICYCLE TRAILS**  
**ADVISORY COMMITTEE**  
**MINUTES**  
**July 18, 2023**

**DATE:** July 18, 2023  
**TIME:** 4:00 PM – 5:00 PM  
**LOCATION:** Planning Conference Room  
**13777 Fruitvale Avenue, Saratoga, CA 95070**

**1. Call to Order** – 4:00 pm

**2. Roll Call:**

PRESENT: *Jim Stallman, Ping Li, Howard Miller, Marianne Swan, Ann Waltonsmith*

ABSENT: None

STAFF PRESENT: *Emma Burkhalter*

**3. Report on Posting of the Agenda:** Pursuant to Government Code Section 54954.2, the agenda for this meeting was properly posted on July 14, 2023.

**4. Accept Agenda Items and Order:** No additional items may be added pursuant to Government Code Section 54954.2.

**5. Approval of Minutes.**

[07-19-2022 PEBTAC Minutes – Draft](#)

[04-18-2023 PEBTAC Minutes – Draft](#)

Recommended Action:

Approve July 2022 Minutes and April 2023 Minutes

MILLER/WALTONSMITH MOTIONED TO APPROVE THE July 19, 2022 MINUTES AND THE APRIL 18, 2023 MINUTES. MOTION PASSED (4-0-0-1). AYES: STALLMAN, MILLER, SWAN, WALTONSMITH. NOES: NONE. ABSTAIN: NONE. ABSENT: LI.

**6. Oral and Written Communication:**

Any member of the public may address the Committee about any matter not on the agenda for this meeting for up to three minutes. *Committee Members may not comment on the matter but may choose to place the topic on a future agenda.*

*Jim Cargill spoke.*

*Written comment from John Page read.*

## **7. Staff Report**

- A. Pending Trails Update  
*Parks Division is doing construction on the Villa Oaks Trail.*
- B. Traffic Safety Update  
*Fresh paving and improved bike striping on Prospect Road between Saratoga-Sunnyvale Road and Stelling Road; Cupertino-led joint project because the street is shared. Now that the street is repaved, both cities plan to investigate potential for crosswalk at Via Roncole as requested by several residents.*
- C. Blue Hills Elementary Pedestrian Crossing at Union Pacific Railroad Update  
*City met with MTC/ABAG and VTA to request an extension on processing the Obligation Plan for the grant due to a delay in the plan reviews. The extension was approved.*
- D. Saratoga Village to Hakone Gardens Trail Update  
*City beginning funding allocation paperwork for \$1.52M federal grant.*
- E. Upcoming CIP Projects  
*Grant received to prepare a Citywide Bicycles and Sidewalks Master Plan.*

## **8. Old Business**

- A. Hakone Gardens to Quarry Park Trail Gap Closure – Phase I

Recommended Action:

None.

## **9. New Business**

None.

## **10. Member Reports** (information only, no actions to be taken)

*Waltonsmith: stepped down as Chair of Hakone Foundation*

*Stallman: would like to add bike parking at the Saratoga Library; featured in July Saratoga Spotlight*

*Miller: just appointed to County Parks Commission*

*Swan: rebuilt stage at Wildwood Park looks great; suggests railroad ties be installed to access creek; Douglass-Douglass trail still needs work; Acorn in front of the Dry Cleaners in the Village is loose; what happened to the chess tables in Blaney Plaza*

## **11. Action Items Summary**

*Discuss trail naming procedure at next meeting.*

## **12. Adjournment** – 5:21 PM

### **Respectfully Submitted by**

*Emma Burkhalter, Public Works staff for the City of Saratoga*