

City of Lodi Corridor Plan Steering Committee Meeting
Minutes of February 26, 2019

1. Call to Order.

Chair Tonn called the meeting to order at 4:00 p.m.

Committee Members Present: Rich Stevenson, Mary West, Peter Tonn

Absent: Bill Welch, Tegan Krueger

Staff Present: Lanette Mayberry, Julie Ostrander

Others: Mayor Jim Ness

2. Public Input. None

3. Minutes of the January 15, 2019 Meeting.

Motion by Stevenson, second by West to approve the minutes of the 1/15/2019 meeting.
Motion carried.

4. Review Purpose of Corridor Plan Steering Committee

There was discussion regarding the status of the Corridor Plan Steering Committee. It was stated that the committee was formed in October of 2015 in an effort for the City, Chamber of Commerce and L.O.D.I. to develop a plan for the Main Street Corridor in the City of Lodi. When the Committee was formed, it was directed to disband when the development of the plan was completed. Stevenson stated that the Committee has completed its original mission. Tonn led discussion as to the process of disbanding and to which existing committees the pending projects will be directed towards. Tonn will email Bill Welch to inform him about the upcoming changes. The Committee plans to meet at least once more to finalize plans.

5. Public Art RFQ: Design Submissions

Julie Ostrander passed out packet showing the submitted sketches of the three selected artists. Each of the artists was paid the \$500.00 stipend. Discussion followed regarding which artistic submissions would be the best choice. The Committee narrowed it down to two; the submission from Murals of Baltimore and one from Bernie's Signs in Prairie du Sac. Tonn will contact the artist from Murals of Baltimore to discuss the color palette that would be used, as the submission was done in watercolors. There was concern this would not show well on a large scale.

The Committee also expressed interest in having public input in choosing which artist to award the mural project. It was decided to place something on Facebook alerting residents that the two mural finalists will be on display at City Hall and community members are encouraged to stop in and vote for their favorite.

The Committee discussed that the building they were hoping to hang the mural on is currently for sale. Mayor Ness stated he knows who the potential buyer and will talk to them about hanging the mural if the sale goes through. Ness will also talk to the organizations that currently have signs hanging on that building to see if they can be removed.

The next steps in the process are to obtain DOT approval and for Plan Commission to approve the project. Ostrander will oversee getting DOT approval and the topic should be put on the March Plan Commission Meeting agenda.

6. City Crosswalks

The Committee conversed about crosswalks in the City. They would like to have more on Main Street, but it would be difficult to make them ADA compliant. The Committee would like to see the area between the white lines of the crosswalk painted a “clay red” color. It was recommended that this item be taken to the Public Works Committee.

7. Points of Interest Signage

Tonn asked Ostrander if she had any information on the cost of the signs. She will check to see if she can find information that Jennifer Sweeney had obtained. The Committee stated they would like to see the sign put on an existing pole we already have and would also like to have the sign be color coded.

8. Comprehensive Outdoor Recreation Plan Update

Tonn inquired about Mr. Skidmore’s progress. Ostrander reported that maps were taken to the Parks Commission showing how far each household is from a park. The goal was to see if any household in Lodi is located an inconvenient distance from a park.

9. Ice Age Trail Community

Stevenson reported that there is a big hike planned in the near future and that there are a lot of activities planned for the summer.

10. Adjourn

Motion by Stevenson, second by West to adjourn at 4:59 p.m. Motion carried.

Submitted by Lanette Mayberry, Deputy Clerk