



Planning/Zoning Report
November 7, 2013

To: AVCA Board of Directors
Copy: AVCA Committee Chairs
From: Dave Fadness
Subject: Transportation Report

On November 1, we received a note from San Jose's Deputy Director of Infrastructure Maintenance, Kevin O'Connor. It addresses and, in some cases, commits action in response to the issues raised in our recent member poll. As usual, there isn't enough money to fix many of the more severe problems.

I hope this message can be shared with those who responded to our poll—so they know what the city plans to do, and recognize the positive effect AVCA has had in addressing their concerns. I expect to hear soon from Laura Wells about members' traffic calming and operational issues.

As to the issues that cannot be addressed in timely fashion, Hans Larsen and Kevin O'Connor have restated their interest in speaking at an AVCA meeting. The subject of a streets maintenance tax is still being considered, etc., so the time is ripe to have them attend. A panel discussion that includes DOT staff and decision-makers (like Khamis) might be appropriate.

SCCo Roads' Deputy Director Dan Collen is another possibility on subjects like Almaden Expressway (more about that later) and County roads. A county up-date appears later in this note.

From: O'Connor, Kevin
Sent: Friday, November 01, 2013 3:30 PM
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Subject: AVCA Transportation Report

Hello Dave,

I hope this email finds you well.

I'm following up with you on the Transportation Report that was completed by the AVCA, specifically the survey responses related to repair or maintenance of the infrastructure (items identified with red text in the Action Requested column).

First, thank you for sharing this information with us. It is helpful for us to better understand the concerns and needs of our residents. In general, I would say that we concur that additional maintenance is needed in a number of areas. We've nearly completed an evaluation of all the concerns and several items have been completed and/or closed out. Below is a brief summary, although I would be more than happy to discuss any specific items with you directly.

- ✓ **Pothole Repairs** – All of the locations where potholes were reported have been inspected. Any potholes that were or are a safety concern were filled or are scheduled to be filled in the next week. There were some instances where the reported potholes were superficial or minor failures that don't pose a safety concern, and therefore were not addressed by our pothole repair crews. In these instances, standard pothole repairs are not effective and more comprehensive maintenance work, such as surface sealing or resurfacing is needed. See the bullet below for more on this.
- ✓ **Street Repair/Resurfacing** – This is probably an item that would best be described in a conversation since our funding to perform general street maintenance and resurfacing is well short of what is needed. As you've heard from me previously, all of the funding we are currently receiving for street preventive maintenance and resurfacing is being allocated to the highest priority streets in San Jose. This "Priority Street Network" consists of 437 miles of the City's most important arterial roadways, including streets like Coleman Rd, Blossom Hill Road, and most of Camden Avenue. There isn't enough funding available to maintain or resurface any of the City's other streets, including the less critical arterial/collector streets like Trinidad Drive and Camden Avenue south of Almaden Expressway, and all of our local neighborhood streets. With that said, below is the status of the repair/resurfacing requests for streets on the Priority Street Network:
 - Camden Ave from Almaden Expressway to Coleman Road – This stretch is under consideration for resurfacing in 2014 or 2015.
 - Coleman Road from Camden to Almaden Expressway – To be resurfaced in 2014 following completion of sewer repairs

All of the other streets identified in the report are not on the Priority Street Network, and therefore will not be surface sealed or resurfaced until new funding sources are obtained. We will continue to repair potholes that pose a safety concern. Residents can report a pothole to us by calling (408) 794-1900.

Also, if you are interested in learning more about this item, Hans will be presenting a report on pavement maintenance funding to the City's Transportation and Environment Committee on Monday, November 4. Here is a link to the report if you would like to read it. <http://sanjoseca.gov/DocumentCenter/View/23306>

- ✓ **Streetlight Repairs** – Lights on Addiewell will be inspected next week. If repairs are routine (e.g. bulb replacement), they will be repaired at that time. Other more complex electrical circuit repairs or the need to replace stolen wire, could take up to six months to fix.
- ✓ **Ponding Water and Drainage on Gillis Drive** – There is a palm tree growing immediately adjacent to the street that has lifted the curb and gutter, restricting water flow to the nearby storm drain and causing the ponding. We have sent a notice to the property owner to remove the tree to prevent further damage to the curb/gutter, street and a nearby PG&E utility box. Other than causing ponding, the damage to the curb and gutter is minor and is not posing a safety concern. If the property owner is interested in alleviating the ponding, we will provide him/her permits to perform the repairs at his/her cost.

- ✓ **Weeds in Medians** – Several locations throughout District 10 were recently cleared of weeds. City landscaping crews are now completely focused on spraying of all medians with weed pre-emergent to prevent similar weed growth next spring.
- ✓ **Roadway Striping and Reflectors** – Installation of new reflectors on Graystone completed; installation of new reflectors and re-striping on Royalwood Way by end of November.
- ✓ **Faded Street Signs** – Signs on Via de los Reyes and Fall River/Silverado Scheduled for replacement by end of November.
- ✓ **Street Sweeping** – Sterling Gate Drive scheduled for sweeping every 4th Monday. Our inspector will monitor.
- ✓ **Sound Wall on Trinidad** – These sound walls are owned and maintained by adjacent property owners..

I think this covers everything related to repair and maintenance. Again, please feel free to email me back or give me a call if you have any questions or additional items. Also, as Hans noted in his follow-up email a few weeks ago, Laura Wells will be getting back to you on the various traffic calming and operations items.

Regards,

Kevin O'Connor
Deputy Director of Infrastructure Maintenance
Department of Transportation

All of the County maintained roads in Almaden Valley were either chip sealed or microsurfaced in 2012. Because they're on a 10-year maintenance cycle, they won't receive another treatment until 2022.

The following is a list of each County street in Almaden Valley with its corresponding surface treatment:

Roads to be Chip Sealed in 2022

ALAMITOS RD
ALMADEN RD
ALMADEN WY
BERTRAM RD
COUNTRY VIEW DR
COUNTRY VIEW LN
DAVIS COURT
FORTINI RD
LONE OAK CIRCLE
MCKEAN RD
SAN VICENTE AVE
SHILLINGSBURG AVE
SPRAWLING OAKS CT
WHISPERING OAKS DRIVE

Roads to be Microsurfaced in 2022

ANNIE LN
BUENA MONTE DR
CARRIAGE HILL DRIVE
GRAYSTONE LN
HENWOOD RD
HILL LANE
MCVAY AVE
MONTE SUNSET DR
ROSALIND LANE
SCENIC VISTA DR
VIA CORTA
VIA SANTA TERESA
VIEW OAKS WAY
VIEWCREST COURT
VIEWCREST DRIVE
VISTA DE ALMADEN
VISTA DE ALMADEN COURT

Mann Oak Court is on the No Chip list because it needs a complete overlay.