Sausalito Task Force meeting 10-16-19

Attendees: Aaron Roller, Team Leader; Kevin McGowen, Director Public Works, Andrew Davidson, DPW, Kristine Duran, Assist Head of Willow Creek, Regan Fulton, Team leader David Parisi, SR2S; Wendi Kallins, SR2S

Bike Lessons – Safe Routes offers free lessons for 2nd, 4th and 6th grade. Aaron and/or Safe Routes have tried twice to coordinate the bike lessons. Peggy is trying to set them up again. Kristine said that she can help.

In the meantime, Aaron has invited Jason Agar to offer lessons for November 9 and 23 both Saturdays at the Cornerstone church in Marin City. This is fee based but no one will be turned away for lack of funds. Aaron wanted to offer an opportunity for the schools unite in one class. People need to sign up ahead of time. Flyers are going out. The City can promote on the Web page (But may be an issue if it is not free). One lesson is "learn to ride" for younger children which will take place mostly in the parking lot. Later in the afternoon will be a Bike Skills lesson which will include a ride between the two schools. This is an opportunity to learning how to ride in this corridor.

Update on MLK park. Path is now open. A grant was submitted for a new sidewalk to connect from Bridgeway to MLK along Caloma. The grant also requested a mid-block crossing with bulb outs and Rapid Flashing Beacon. The sidewalk extension
includes drainage and pavement marking on Ebbtide. TAM staff has recommended the grant for funding. It goes to the TAM board on Thursday, October 24.

Aaron asked about a raised crosswalk. Kevin explained that if the funding is successful the city has leeway on the solution but the Fire Dept has an issue with raised crosswalks. The grant does not address the gravel portion of the pathway. The city applied for an unsuccessful grant in 2013 to pave a portion of the walkway. The timing depends on when the money shows up. TAM staff has 3 options - borrow from the future to fund all projects fully, reduce each project cost, or limit the number of grants. There is no timeline until the City knows when the funding will be available and the project still needs to be designed.

Nevada Street - Aaron would like to see protected bike lanes but there are other options. David said based on the walk audit Safe Routes focused on small project to narrow the lanes. This includes new pavement markings, buffer zone, high visibility crosswalk, and school Crossing stencils. There is not enough room to do cycle tracks without taking out parking. The smaller project provides space for bikes and will help slow down traffic. The cost came in over $50,000. Aaron was skeptical that it would solve the problem stressing it is an important corridor. He suggested making the sidewalk a Multi-Use path. David said they could look into school route signage program for the City.

Regan commented that the Nevada and Bridgeway traffic light is not long enough and there is not a left turn signal From Nevada to Bridgeway. Kids are crossing Bridgeway while cars are turning left. There is also a bus stop there. Perhaps a leading
pedestrian interval could help but the technology might be too old to accommodate. David suggest looking at signals citywide.

There are two new crossing guards at the bottom of campus and the school is very grateful.

Wendi introduced the need for creating a culture of green transport. Regan needs to find other parent support or get kids to help. He needs administration support. Kristine reported that a staff member frequently rides along on the Marin Transit bus to address behavior issues. They had some incidents at the bus stop so a staff person is spot checking that too.

Walking school bus grant - Felicia from Performing Stars got the grant for the Golden Gate Village - the goal is attendance to make sure the kids get to school, but it also helps SR2S.

School Tag 3.0. - Kids tag in at school and along the way and get rewarded. It is no longer cloud connected. The info is in the tag. At the school is a wi-fi connected station with a tablet that shows them all their rewards. Safe Routs donates a scooter. To get the rewards they have to show up on time. Aaron is scaling up to ramp up to offer to Mill Valley. A town in Napa is also interested. Tags are 95 cents apiece. Tracker is about $10-20. MCBC has offered to have a donation page to raise funds.

Next meeting: March 11 at 8:30 am. At City hall – Keven will find a room.