



Town of Atherton
ATHERTON RAIL COMMITTEE
MINUTES
Tuesday, April 7, 2015 @ 6:00 p.m.
TOWN COUNCIL CHAMBERS
94 Ashfield Road - Atherton, California
REGULAR MEETING

1.0 ROLL CALL

Paul Jones, Phil Lively, Jack Ringham, Greg Conlon, Jim Janz, Scott Lane, Ellen Jamason, Nerissa Dexter, Rosemary Maulbetsch

Councilmember Liaison: Cary Wiest
Staff: Mike Kashiwagi
Excused: Malcolm Dudley

2.0 PUBLIC COMMENTS

None

3.0 APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Approved as Submitted.
Motion: Phil Lively
Second: Jim Janz

4.0 PRESENTATIONS

None

5.0 REGULAR AGENDA

5a. Update on Electrification Lawsuit – no action taken

- Required settlement conference occurred
- City Council to be briefed in closed session, April 15, 2015

5b. TOS Lawsuit Update – no action taken

- Proceeding in slow but satisfactory manner
- Court hearing in Sacramento, Friday April 10th. Hoping for a Summer 2015 trial date

5c. Potential Proposition 1A Litigation

- Briefing provided by Mike Brady
- Lawsuit against HSR vs Caltrain
- Final draft of lawsuit to be presented and reviewed by City Council in April 15th Closed Session
- Focus of lawsuit

- Violation of Prop 1A since no funding plan provided for \$650K allocated to Caltrain Electrification
- Cannot meet trip time requirement
- Cannot meet requirement of no subsidies
- Blended system violates Prop 1A since never approved by Legislature
- UPRR consent to use track still pending
- Rail Committee voted to support lawsuit and requested City Council to support and file lawsuit
 - 3 Committee members recused themselves (Janz, Maulbetsch, Dexter) due to their proximity to the Caltrain right of way
 - Member Jamason abstained from voting

5d. Holdout Rule Alternatives – no action taken

- Brief discussion of design alternatives and considerations presented by Paul Jones

5e. Quad Gate Discussion – no action taken

- Brief discussion by Greg Conlon

6.0 COMMITTEE AND STAFF MEMBER COMMENTS

- Member Lane reported out on his attendance at the Dumbarton Rail Mtg
 - \$91 million loan to BART has been permanently transferred out of Dumbarton Rail
 - Project on hold due to lack of funding
 - Optimism of alternative funding sources via private sector tech companies

7.0 PUBLIC COMMENT

None

Meeting Adjourned: 8:11 pm

The next Regular meeting is scheduled for JUNE 2, 2015

Respectfully Submitted,

Michael Kashiwagi