Visitacion Valley / Schlage Lock Community Meeting Summary  
July 16, 2016

As required by the Development Agreement for the Schlage Lock Development Project, a community meeting took place on Saturday, July 16, 2016, to inform and consult with the public on the prioritization of community improvement projects to be funded by the Visitacion Valley Community Facilities and Infrastructure Fee and the Transportation Fee Obligation. Approximately 30 participants attended.

The meeting was jointly hosted by the Planning Department and the Recreation and Parks Department with participation by Public Works and SFMTA. The meeting agenda included the following items:

1. Summary of the Visitacion Valley impact fee program
2. Overview of neighborhood feedback received at previous community meetings
3. Presentation of draft proposed projects recommended for implementation using impact fees; project list generated through consultation with community at previous community meetings
4. Update on the status of the Schlage Lock development
5. Presentation of the updated park designs planned for the Schlage Lock development
6. Completion of the Community Facility and Infrastructure Prioritization Ballot and the Schlage Lock park design survey

After the meeting, the Community Facility and Infrastructure Prioritization Ballot was posted online for six weeks to allow for additional community input. A total of 95 ballots (paper and online) were completed. The results from the ballot as well as community input received at the meeting related to impact fee prioritization are summarized below.

**Community Meeting Input: Notes/Q&A**
The following input was provided during the community meeting by attendees in response to the impact fee prioritization presentation.

| Pedestrian Safety | • Is it possible to include flashing beacons at Arleta and Bayshore or longer times to cross? People run for the bus and that’s what makes it unsafe.  
• Is reopening the underground tunnel across Bayshore for crossing possible? |
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| Transit & Traffic | • How to address the bottleneck effect around the 280N ramp?  
• We need digital and multilingual information at the bus shelters. |
| Bike Infrastructure | • What would be the parking loss for the bike lanes proposals? Need that info.  
• Can sharrows be raised? In general, we need a separated/safe path so that children can ride too. Consider how to move bikes through the Schlage pedestrian paths.  
• The bikes already take Lathrop as a route not Blanken. |
Parks & Open Space
- Can we include $80,000 for Little Hollywood park in this proposal?
- Some of the children’s playgrounds had been raised in a previous meeting, they are not included in proposals.
- Some would like to acquire additional open spaces such as 590 Leland and the open space at the north of Schlage.

Other
- Are impact fees really going to impact the neighborhood?
- Make presentation with graphics available for others not present; please translate.
- Spending more money as you go farther away from (vs. adjacent to) the development projects is harder to justify as most of the impacts are on the infrastructure that is closest to the projects.
- Can Sunnyvale HOPE SF pay fees and take on the improvements closer to that project (Hertz Playground and McLaren)?
- Wasn’t there already money set aside for a lot of these projects, particularly the SFMTA projects? What does the $50 million in Prop K funds go to?
- Geneva BRT and other projects will put pressure on the neighborhood so we understand the impact fees intent to be for quality of life improvements such as green spaces, connectivity, etc.
- We’d like more information on the transportation funding and funding from other sources to make a more informed decision.

**Impact Fee Prioritization Ballot Results**
The impact fee prioritization ballot solicited input on specific improvements that have been identified over the last 18 months by the community and City staff as priorities for Visitacion Valley. City staff performed an initial assessment of feasibility and identified an initial scope and budget for each proposed improvement. The survey built upon information collected during two previous surveys conducted in May and September 2015.

The graphs on page 3 summarize respondents’ ballot preferences. A total of 95 ballots were collected. Please note, the ballot will be used to inform project selection but is not a scientific survey. Additional opportunities for input will occur before the actual projects are finalized and implemented.

*For a full description of each project, please review the Project Info Sheet on pages 8-15 of this document.*
Impact Fee Prioritization Ballot Results Summary

Proposed Visitacion Valley Projects

- Visitacion Ave Sidewalk Installation & Trail Improvements: 60 votes
- Arleta Bayshore Intersection Improvements: 55 votes
- Visitacion Valley Greenway Connections: 46 votes
- Blanken Underpass Illumination: 42 votes
- Blanken Underpass Art Murals: 36 votes
- Transit Stop Improvements: 35 votes
- Visitacion Valley Ballfield Renovation: 32 votes
- Elliot Street Staircase: 32 votes
- Visitacion Valley Playground Renovation: 29 votes
- Herz Playground Renovation: 23 votes
- Bike Routes To Bay Trail & Candlestick Point: 21 votes
- Leland & Cora Bulb-Out & Sidewalk Widening: 18 votes
- Visitacion Ave/Trailhead Crossing: 17 votes

*For these projects, respondents were asked for their preference on specific sub-options. See graphs below for detail.

Visitacion Ave Sidewalk Installation & Trail Improvements

- Option A: 19 votes
- Option B: 17 votes
- Option C: 24 votes

Transit Stop Improvements

- Option A: 20 votes
- Option B: 15 votes

Bike Routes to Bay Trail & Candlestick Point

- Phase 1: 20 votes
- Phase 2: 1 vote
- Option A: 9 votes
- Option B: 8 votes
**Impact Fee Prioritization Ballot Open-Ended Responses**

The impact fee prioritization ballot included opportunities for respondents to provide open-ended responses and comments on the proposed projects. Below is a list of all comments organized by topic area and location.

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| Economic Development | • Revitalization of "downtown" Visitacion Valley, more small businesses  
• Investment in Leland businesses is highly needed |
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| Transit & Traffic | • Most of the MTA related projects should not even be considered for the Developer's Fee funding. Other neighborhoods do not have to pay for their transportation related projects. Since the need for transportation projects will be generated by the unprecedented influx of new residents in the proposed developments, the MTA should take responsibility for absorbing the cost. The City is overwhelming our neighborhood with new housing units to reach its housing goals without taking responsibility for providing adequate transit and pedestrian safety measures.  
• Better traffic light timing; timing is all off for Leland/bayshore, visitacion/bayshore and Sunnyvale/bayshore  
• Please reconsider rerouting MUNI that travels down residential streets that are NARROW and UNSAFE for Muni. Streets include Talbert Street being very dangerous T intersection Muni traveling South on Talbert Street. When Muni turns LEFT from Visitacion to Talbert, cars are UNABLE TO PASS, cars at stop sign on Talbert have to maneuver UNSAFELY or REVERSE for MUNI bus to turn due to narrow space.  
• The only improvement we need are for those damn street lights to be more accurate and fair. Ex: leland turning left onto bayshore, the traffic takes forever to turn green and when it does turn green is only for like 5 secs to turn back to red. Same goes for visitacion turning onto bayshore, sunnydale turning onto bayshore.  
• Improve intersection of Mansell and Visitacion |
| Parking | • Need to create more parking spaces  
• Build parking structure to solve increasing parking problem. |
| Pedestrian Safety | • 4 way stop and crosswalks at corner of Teddy Ave and Rutland St  
• Re: Leland & Cora Bulb Out: Comprehensive "child zone" safety option -- > VV elementary, VV middle, OLV school, SFPL, Club House  
• Leland avenue retail and pedestrian improvements - make this our 22nd street |
| Streetscape | **Street Trees & Greening**  
• Visitacion Valley is really let down by its lack of trees. If you go to any desirable areas of SF you immediately notice their beautiful tree lined streets, it makes you want to stop and enjoy your surroundings and it brings a sense of calm and natural beauty. When you drive down Visitacion Avenue (for example) you notice the lack of trees and the rundown sidewalks, as well as the many unsightly and badly maintained telephone / electric poles and wires. If we could underground these dated and sometimes dangerous wires we could make room for trees. I really
think this could be the turning point in making this neighborhood great again.

- Trees, sidewalk gardens, and green areas wherever possible.
- Tree planting on main streets (Visitacion, Sunnydale, Leland, Raymond)
- Greening & tree planting in partnership with Climate Action Now throughout the neighborhood.
- Sidewalk greening on all residential streets (add trees, more pervious surfaces, shrubs)

**Utility Wires**
- Undergrounding all telephone wires
- Undergrounding of all utility wires!!!!!!

**General**
- Better street lamps/illumination on main streets (Visitacion, Sunnydale, Leland, Raymond)
- These are all large, mostly overpriced projects which should currently be funded by normal City departmental budgets. The big developer fees from UPC's Bayside Development at Schlage Lock & the Executive Park IMO should not be used for all the neglected projects everywhere else in Visitacion Valley while the far smaller projects bordering the actual development site remain neglected. Schlage Lock bldg. is still a blighted sore. The Bayshore frontage is blighted, and fence tarps make it worse, not better. Sidewalks still need repair from tree roots uplifting. Tunnel W side still need a sidewalk! We have already submitted plans to do volunteer landscape in this roughly 600’ of Tunnel, but cannot do it until after the sidewalk is installed. These smaller things that will not interfere with construction can, and IMO should be done first to beautify the area, then the project can grow into what's there over time. From discussions I've had with Recology, they seem to agree with me. UPC has not agreed. Sup. Cohen has not responded. Our group is the Little Hollywood Improvement Committee.
- More street cleaning without using cleaning truck. This neighborhood is dirty and need somebody to pick up garbage more frequently.
- All I can say is be creative in your project for Visitacion Valley. Think of the saying "Warm and Inviting" what does that mean to all of you on this project, like the streetscape, outdoor décor and style and the gateway. As reference guide I say to Tri-Valley and Santa Clara for ideas
to learn from what works. As for the concrete pavement for sidewalks these are two that I think are real good example of Warm and Inviting and real nice décor. http://www.goldenlandarch.com/trans_washingtonplaza.shtml https://s-media-cache-ak0.pinimg.com/originals/8c/8b/f5/8c8bf57a2da457002f127809d58cbc6c.jpg (this one good example of where there are businesses and local's homes near businesses)

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For more information on this meeting or the Visitacion Valley/Schlage Lock Development, please contact John M. Francis at john.francis@sfgov.org or 415-575-9147.
After reviewing the proposed improvement projects below, please indicate your preference for utilizing Visitacion Valley impact fees on the online survey. Note that proposals will continue to be refined through additional community input.

Transit & Pedestrian Safety

Arleta/Bayshore Intersection Improvements | Est. $1.5 million
NOTE: $1.5 million for all of the proposed improvements denoted in pink below.

- Expand pedestrian island on Bayshore Blvd to slow vehicle speeds.
- Redesign transit stop and bike lane at Bayshore/Arleta/San Bruno intersection to expand sidewalk, reduce pedestrian crossing distances, and improve traffic flow.
- Upgrade and re-time signals; install leading pedestrian signals and/or bike signals.
**Transit Stop Improvements**

**Bike & Pedestrian Improvements:** Est. $124,000

**Sunnydale Relocation & Upgrades:** Est. $974,000

*You may choose just one or both options.*

- Increase transit stop capacity
- New transit stop (Harney) and shelters
- New bike racks & bike lockers
- Upgrade traffic signals to improve transit & traffic flow

**Leland & Cora Bulb-Out & Sidewalk Widening** | Est. $237,000

- New green bulb-out for increased pedestrian safety
- Widen sidewalk to create a VV Clubhouse entrance plaza
Visitacion Valley Greenway Connections | **Est. $798,000**

- Raised mid-block crossings w/special paving, greening & public art
- Special graphic paving at intersection crosswalks

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Bicycle Connectivity

Blanken Underpass Illumination | **Est. $60,000**

- Install additional lighting in Blanken tunnel and replace existing fixtures with LED fixtures

Blanken Underpass Art Murals | **Est. $80,000**

- Art murals along Blanken tunnel walls and/or entryway retaining walls; opportunity to create unique neighborhood gateway
Bike Routes to the Bay Trail & Candlestick Point

Phase 1: Est. $104,000
Phase 2: Est. $2.2 million
You may choose just one or both options.

Which Phase 2 bike lane alignment do you prefer?
Option A (see map below)
Option B (see map below)

McLaren Park Connectivity

Elliot Street Staircase | Est. $457,000

- Install staircase on unutilized portion of Elliot St. to improve connectivity to VV Middle School & McLaren Park
Visitacion Ave Sidewalk Installation & Trail Improvements

**Option A:** Separated Pedestrian Space: Est. $154,000

**Option B:** Raised Concrete Sidewalk: Est. $367,000

**Option C:** Trail Stabilization & Access Improvements: Est. $300,000

Please choose only one option.

- Provide dedicated sidewalk space within existing street right of way between Hahn Street & VV Middle School parking lot.

**Option A:** Separated Pedestrian Space

- Stabilize existing trail and improve walking access
- Install durable natural surface

**Option B:** Raised Concrete Sidewalk

**Option C:** Trail Stabilization & Access Improvements

McLaren Park

Visitacion Ave

McLaren Park

Visitacion Ave

Raymond Avenue

Leland Avenue

Hahn Street
Visitacion Avenue/Trailhead Crossing | **Est. $707,000**

- New crosswalk to improve safety & access
- Pedestrian Refuge Island
- Rapid Flashing Beacons

Park Improvements

Herz Playground Renovation | **Est. $2.5 million**

- New playground equipment
- Replace sand w/rubber safety surface
- New fencing
- ADA access upgrades

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Visitacion Valley Playground Renovation | *Est. $2.5 million*

- New playground equipment
- Replace sand w/rubber safety surface
- New fencing
- ADA access upgrades

Visitacion Valley Ballfield Renovation | *Est. $1.8 million*

- New fencing
- Add lighting
- New backstop & furniture, ADA accessibility
- Natural turf replacement, new irrigation