

## Citizen Participation Plan Final Write-up For:

The City of Encinitas  
Case # CPP-005167-2022  
USE-005157-2022

South Coast Highway 101 Sidewalk Improvements to Solana Beach

**Public Workshop: February 28, 2022**

The meeting was held at 6:00 PM to 6:40 PM on February 28, 2022 in the Poinsettia Room at the City of Encinitas. Matthew Edgeworth hosted the public workshop with Matt Widelski and the City's design consultant Dan Nutter (Dokken Engineering) assisting. Five citizens signed the attendance sheet and were present. The meeting began with Matthew Edgeworth giving the background, scope, and design of the project. Matthew Edgeworth then followed explaining the next steps to the project. Photos and exhibits were provided in the presentation and an exhibit which illustrated the concept design of the proposed sidewalk improvements was displayed around the Poinsettia Room. After Matthew Edgeworth finished his presentation, a question-and-answer session with the public was conducted by Matthew Edgeworth, Matt Widelski, and Dan Nutter. All citizens left after the questions and comments were answered or compiled.

11 specific questions were raised during the discussion or were emailed before and after the meeting.

**Question No. 1:** Where will the cable and post fencing go?

**Response:** The cable and post fencing is proposed to go along the length of the retaining wall adjacent to the sidewalk where there is an existing steep slope for pedestrian safety.

**Question No. 2:** Are there any issues with the grant funding with Caltrans.

**Response:** No, there are no current issues with the grant funding from Caltrans. Caltrans awarded funding for this project as part of the Highway Safety Improvement Program (HSIP). If the scope of work is followed as stated on the grant application and the City meets established deadlines by Caltrans for design and construction, the City does not foresee any issues with receiving the grant funding.

**Question No. 3:** Will this project include a pedestrian crossing near the city limits with Solana Beach connecting to the Harbaugh Seaside Trails?

**Response:** The proposed project does not include a pedestrian crossing at this location and was not part of the original scope submitted for grant funding. The City is in the process of having discussions with the City of Solana Beach regarding collaboration and funding of a potential pedestrian crossing. The sidewalk project is a grant funded project with a predefined scope of work. A pedestrian crossing would need to be funded as a separate project at this time.

**Question No. 4:** Can the speed limit of Coast Highway 101 in Solana Beach be lowered?

**Response:** The City of Solana Beach has recently reduced the speed limit from 40mph to 35mph along this portion of Coast Highway 101 which matches the current speed limit of Coast Highway 101 in Encinitas.

**Question No. 5:** Can you maximize the width of the sidewalk?

**Response:** The 5 ½ foot sidewalk width was chosen to match the existing sidewalk width in the City of Solana Beach. The City will look into maximizing sidewalk width given the available funding and existing conditions.

**Question No. 6:** What is the footing for the wall shown in the exhibit?

**Response:** The footing is part of the retaining wall structure meant to support the weight of the wall and soil behind it. The footing will not be visible after the retaining wall is constructed.

**Question No. 7:** What is the existing travel lane width?

**Response:** The existing travel lane width varies between 10-11 feet on this section of Coast Highway 101.

**Question No. 8:** Can the City install a curb ramp (east side of Coast Highway 101) or create a smoother transition from the existing Harbaugh Seaside Trails to the northbound bike lane?

**Response:** This will be looked into for consideration as part of a potential pedestrian crossing at this location.

**Question No. 9:** Can the City of Encinitas install a crosswalk within its right-of-way to connect to the Harbaugh Seaside Trails?

**Response:** It may be possible. However, further evaluation of the existing site conditions as well as an official survey is needed.

**Question No. 10:** Can the City install a pedestrian refuge area to prevent vehicles from making U-turns near the Cardiff State Beach Parking Lot Entrance.

**Response:** This question has been sent to Traffic Engineering for consideration.

**Question No. 11:** How will the sidewalk impact the State Parks slope that is currently vegetated? Will there be any restoration of the slope if impacted?

**Response:** The improvements including the proposed sidewalk and retaining wall are within the City of Encinitas right-of-way. Per the current plan, the proposed sidewalk and retaining wall will be constructed along the existing undeveloped slope adjacent to the existing curb. The current revegetation plan includes removal of non-native vegetation, application of native seed mix hydroseed and a plant establishment period by the contractor. This is subject to the review of the California Coastal Commission.

At the end of the Q&A session, Matthew Edgeworth thanked the attendees for their time. There was a general approval and support for the proposed sidewalk improvements. Some residents expressed the need for a pedestrian crossing across Coast Highway 101 to the Harbaugh Seaside Trails. Written comments were submitted at the end of the meeting. Some email comments were received by Matthew Edgeworth before and after the meeting and are addressed in this report.



Development Services Department

## Citizen Participation Program

Ordinance 2001-02 (Original) Ordinance 2001-11 (Amended) Ordinance 2008-21 (Amended)

### Sign in Sheet – February 28, 2022

**Project Name:** South Coast Highway 101 Sidewalk Improvements to Solana Beach Project

**Project Address:** Along the Cardiff State Beach Parking Lot (Seaside Reef) near the city limits with Solana Beach

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\*If you did not receive notice but would like to be added to the mailing list, please include an address for future mailings.

**COMMENT CARD**

**Project name and address:** South Coast Highway 101 Sidewalk Improvements to Solana Beach Project, Along the Cardiff State Beach Parking Lot (Seaside Reef) near the city limits with Solana Beach

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1. Do the documents and presentation clearly identify the scope of the project?  Y/N  
If no, please describe areas requiring clarification.

Yes, thank you.

2. Do you have any other issues or concerns requiring further review?  Y/N  
If yes, please explain.

Crosswalk to Harbinger trails > Not a part of this project, but much needed.

Name (please print) Kristine Schneider

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Please look @ how a crosswalk will connect with south end of sidewalk

Name (please print) Michael von Neumann

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YES

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NO

Name (please print) Paula Jewell

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No. Thank you!

Name (please print) Gerry Rahill

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**Maria Gremban**

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**From:** Bradley Nussbaum <bradley.nussbaum@naturecollective.org>  
**Sent:** Thursday, March 3, 2022 12:45 PM  
**To:** Matthew Edgeworth; Jayme Timberlake  
**Cc:** Scott Rothberg  
**Subject:** South Coast Hwy 101 sidewalk

[NOTICE: Caution: External Email]

Jayme, Matt

Sorry for not being able to connect with you over the phone, Jayme. I did get your voicemail regarding the project. I also realized that Nature Collective accidentally missed the meeting on Monday....

Could we get the plans for the sidewalk project?

We have primarily two questions/comments:

- How will the sidewalk impact the State parks slope that is currently vegetated? Will there be any restoration of the slope if impacted?
- We are very interested in public access across Hwy 101 there. Currently the Solana Beach rail trail runs onto our Harbaugh Seaside Trails (HST) property and then just dead ends at the corner with Hwy 101. HST has a lot of hikers and we see quite a few "playing frogger" to get over to the beach. Previously, we had been told by the cities that the speed was too high for a pedestrian crosswalk. Now the speed limit is 35 mph along that stretch of Hwy 101, would a pedestrian crosswalk be feasible?

Thanks,  
Bradley

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