

## MINUTES OF THE NOVEMBER 2020

### BUSINESS MEETING OF THE ECIA ROAD COMMITTEE

1. 1. Time and place. The November meeting of the ECIA Road Committee (RC) was held on November 4, 2020 via Zoom, and was called to order at 5:34 pm by the Chair of the RC, James A. Mason, P.E., Ph.D. The Agenda was available on the ECIA website.
2. 2. Introductions, Quorum, Attendees, Agenda. All four RC members, James A. Mason, Amelia Adair, Paul Ingraham and Art Kaiser, were present, so a quorum was achieved. Also present were ECIA Board RC liaison Melicent D'Amore and Office Assistant Sarah Skagen. Guests present were Santa Fe County Public Works (SFCPW) project engineer Diego Gomez, P.E., and John Gervers, head of the Eldorado Roadside Tree Project. Also present were Eldorado residents David Johnson, Bette and Jim Knight, Paul Fink.

Dr. Mason presided as chair of the meeting and Ms. Adair served as secretary. The agenda was adopted with slight changes in order from the published agenda. The meeting was recorded.

3. 3. Minutes. The September 2, 2020 meeting Minutes were previously approved via email. There were no additional corrections to those minutes. The October meeting report has been posted.
4. 4. Chair Report. Dr. Mason welcomed and thanked Mr. Gomez for attending the meeting, and welcomed residents. Dr. Mason also thanked Mr. Kaiser and Mr. Ingraham for taking photographs of ongoing road projects.
5. 5. ECIA Reports.
  - 5.1 **Board RC Liaison Report:** Ms. D'Amore reported there will be no December Board meeting.
  - 5.2 **HOAMCO Report:** None.
6. 6. Transportation Advisory Council Update. None.
7. 7. Old Business/Open Action Items
  - 7.1 **Paving Cerrado Loop update.** Dr. Mason showed the Google Earth plan view of Cerrado Loop, including the ground profile showing the elevations of points along the eastern section of the road, to illustrate the outcome of the meeting onsite today with Mr. Gomez and SFCPW foreman for Eldorado projects, Chris Sena. The diagram shows how the current grading of the road will be changed to route drainage from the road from east to west, to the culvert on the low point.

Dr. Mason also explained how the road crew is marking the center of the road right of way with plastic whisks, then measuring and marking the edge of the right of way, which for Cerrado Lp. is 50' wide, even though the driving surface of the road itself will not extend to those markers. Those markers are for use of the crew constructing the road. Mr. Gomez confirmed that the project is planned for 10' driving lanes, for a total 20' asphalt driving surface.

Mr. Gomez explained that all lots in Eldorado have lot line drainage easements as shown on the subdivision plats, but the County is trying to keep the runoff from the road from going places where it hasn't before.

The County hopes to complete paving by the end of the year, depending on weather. Mr. Gomez explained how and why cold weather may extend the project beyond the end of the year.

Mr. Gervers (Eldorado Roadside Tree Project): asked about preserving a substantial Siberian elm tree in the road right of way at the NE corner of Cerrado Rd. and Loop. Mr. Gomez believes they will be able to work around that tree.

David Johnson (39 and 41 Cerrado Lp.): thanked Mr. Gomez and Dr. Mason. He appreciates the professional approach everyone has taken to solving the drainage problems, to avoid having water drain across his property.

Jim and Bette Knight (53 Cerrado Lp.): Asked about the drainage at the end of Cerrado Ct., which in the past has encroached on a private water well shared between homes #4 & 6 Cerrado Ct. Mr. Gomez and his foreman, Mr. Sena, are aware of the well. Mr. Gomez explained the plan to make minor modifications so the road runoff doesn't interfere with the well. The Knights discussed the other wells in the area, and that the County should have documentation of them.

**ACTION ITEM:** The ECIA should find out where these private wells are located to help the County prevent surface water drainage from roads from contaminating wells. Ms. D'Amore will check to see whether the ECIA has documentation of all wells within ECIA property. Mr. Gomez offered to plot them on a map. Steve King, General Manager of the Eldorado Area Water and Sanitation Department, also may have information about the wells.

Mrs. Knight: Would like the County to pave the rest of Cerrado Rd. in the future. Mr. Gomez agreed to put that project on the County's ICIP (Infrastructure Capital Improvement Project) list tonight, so it will be in line to compete with all the rest of the SF County road projects. These projects are funded by the County, prioritized based on traffic counts and maintenance needs, as distinct from projects funded by state legislative appropriations.

Mr. Gomez reported that SF County voters approved its bond funding request for capital improvements. For more information on projects approved, check the SF County website.

Mr. Gervers: had a question for Mr. Gomez regarding mowing; Mr. Gomez will ask his foreman tomorrow and respond.

**7.2 Recent road chip sealing projects and progress.** All chip sealed roads have been photo documented.

**ACTION ITEM:** Ms. Adair will add maintenance of chip seal roads to RC "annual" calendar, as a tickler, 3 – 5 years out.

**ACTION ITEM:** Dr. Mason is accumulating a photo library of roads to be stored on the ECIA computer system from the photos taken by Mr. Ingraham and Mr. Kaiser. They'll put their photos on a thumb drive.

**7.3 Traffic Issues on Juego Rd.** Mr. Gomez provided the RC with the County's 2013 Traffic-Calming Policy, which will provide more information on how to proceed with requesting traffic calming measures.

## 8. 8. New Business

**8.1 Camerada Rd. and Lp.** Moved to next meeting.

**8.2 Intersection approach aprons.** Dr. Mason reported the County has stopped paving approach aprons due to limited funding.

**8.3 Proposed RC Annual Calendar.** Ms. Adair had an action item to prepare a draft committee calendar for review at this meeting, to include the deadline for the ECIA to provide ICIP feedback next year. The calendar was distributed with the agenda. RC members are asked to review the calendar and suggest additions and changes.

8.4 **Compliance.** Board has asked all committees to discuss compliance issues. Road ownership and right of way issues are common questions. Mr. Gervers discussed the need to educate residents that tree trimming volunteers have permission to operate within the County right of way which is distinct from their property.

9. 9. Public Comment. Occurred during the course of the meeting.

10. 10. Committee Round Robin. Paul Ingraham updated the RC on the status of a neighbor's son whom he and neighbors have repeatedly reported to the state police and sheriff's department for racing and reckless driving on and near Herrada Rd. Despite those notifications the reckless driving continues. The RC discussed potential next steps for Mr. Ingraham to take, including contacting our Santa Fe County Commissioner.

11. 11. Next Meeting: The RC meets on the first Wednesday of every month. Next meeting: December 2, 2020. Adjournment. The meeting was adjourned at 7:05 pm.

By: Amelia Adair, Secretary

Date: November 4, 2020