

Palou Complete Street Project Questionnaire Tally- Specific Intersection and other Comments (Between Barneveld Avenue to Crisp Road) Community Meeting #4

Date: February 10, 2016

Intersection, street comments:

Phelps:

- Bus Bulb: Resident needs access to 2 driveways as is. This affects property value. (same household) Resident needs to 2 driveways as is. This affects property value.
- The Palou Phelps Park has a problem of Motocross riders traversing the paths/hill. Medians would be great barriers.
- Petition: Add diagonal parking at Phelps and at mini park- remove planned bulbs.
- Email: The project is making the street smaller. The street is just wide enough to let traffic go by smoothly. This street shares the road with buses and bicycles. When street is narrowed all will be stuck in traffic causing delays.
- Email: It is too narrow for Bus #23. If sidewalk is wider (bulb) bus can barely turn at Phelps as it is and has to go slow. It almost hits the parked cars.

3rd:

• Parking between 3rd and Lane can support diagonal parking like in front of the Church at Phelps.

Lane:

• We really need a roundabout or median here at a minimum.

Keith:

• When will this bus stop be removed?

Jennings:

• Trash is a problem at this intersection

Pedestrian, vehicle safety not intersection specific:

• Email: Traffic is heavy on Palou. More drive than walk, unlike Market Street.

Parking, bus routing:

• Email: Consider adding speed bumps to the requested additional diagonal parking. Petition: Add diagonal parking from Industrial to Griffith. Remove all planned bulbs, limit new bulbs to request of adjacent property owners.

• Email: Parking is the issue. This project will make us lose 10+ spaces affecting everyone on this street. If the project had a plan to also build a free parking lot, then I would say yes to the project.

Trees and landscaping

- Petition: Plant California native or drought tolerant species. Magnolias have high water demands with shallow roots that damage sidewalks and invade water and sewer lines.
- Petition: Add plantings at the end of new diagonal parking areas.



• Email: Phelps- Trees present security issue to my family for bad people to hide when they get big. Trees have dead branches and leaves that costs me a lot to clean roof.

Median Island:

- Not a big fan of medians on small streets. I've seen too many that are not maintained and they become just a chunk of concrete in a roadway. Streets are for cars- not plants.
- I prefer median islands over the bulb outs.

Other comments:

- The *Palou Phelps Mini Park* is in need VERY BADLY of barriers and a gate to prohibit regular entry by motocross/motorcycles that destroy the terrain (permanently in some cases). Could this be planned with somewhat low-cost? Existing cement barriers, etc.
- Email: *Palou Phelps Mini Park* needs a fence around it to protect the children. Dirt bikes ride through the playground.

• Email: *Palou Phelps Mini Park*- suggestion improves the mini park instead of making Palou's sidewalks wider. Basketball court and slides are old. Need trash cans. Would like exercise equipment.

- Petition: *give Bayview residents a voice* in the neighborhood and its improvements. A great percentage of the petition is from other streets than Palou.
- Email *comments on Petition*: I like items on the petition except "no bulb outs". I think bulbouts make areas prettier, look cleaner, and safer. I think we can have bulb outs and diagonal parking. If only one can be chosen, then diagonal parking.
- Email question: what is *Vision Zero* and whose idea is that? The idea is to try to reduce pedestrian injuries and fatalities as much as possible using smart urban design, including bulb-outs, to improve visibility and to reduce pedestrian street crossing times. Palou Street has been identified as a street with significant pedestrian injuries so we are presenting the Palou Complete Streets project.
 - http://www.citiesofthefuture.eu/vision-zero-san-francisco-works-to-cut-traffic-fatalities-to-zero/
 - http://visionzerosf.org/
- Email question: *Repaving for Industrial* from Oakdale to Bayshore: About a 10 block stretch will be repaved and the contract is in process of being awarded. It should be in construction during spring/ summer and may be completed this year. Paving is typically the last phase of work. The average score for paving condition was 40.
- Email: *Jennings Plaza*: I like the idea of Aquaponics but don't think it should be located at Jennings and at the expense of losing a much needed Park. Our community could benefit from some open space and a green park at the east end of Palou. Suggestion to place Aquaponic Facility on Quint Street.
- Email: *Jennings Plaza*: Ideas for Jennings Plaza: playground, exercise park (like Marina), amphitheater style seating for the view, picnic style seating. No parking in front of the Plaza including the sidewalk. Farmers Market but what would the use be for the rest of the week? I support a public urinal (Like Dolores Park)
- Email request: For *collision data*. Report sent.
- Email: Project is unfair to people living by *"T" intersections* (Phelps) as they are losing spaces, driveway, and parking space, shrinking property size. It is not fair since this is not affecting the whole street.