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Engineering Department Activity Report

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Noteworthy Information:

1. Sonoma County Comprehensive Transportation Plan (CTP): Moving Forward 2050. Updates to the CTP were completed and include the addition of 4 new Sebastopol projects:
  - Ragle Road-Bodega Avenue Intersection Improvements - Traffic Signal
  - Bodega Avenue Bike Lanes-Pavement Rehabilitation Phase 3 (Pleasant Hill Rd. to west city limit)
  - Johnson Street Corridor Pedestrian Safety Improvements (between intersections of Johnson St/Sunset Av and Johnson St/Eddie Ln)
  - Pedestrian Safety Crossing Improvements (program) - various locations including: S Main St/Burnett St, N Main St/Keating St, Gravenstein Hwy/Hutchins Ave & Petaluma Ave/Walker Ave (2025); Covert Ln/Zimpher Dr (2027); Covert Ln/Norlee St (2029), with other locations to be added based on subsequent safety studies, community input and Council direction.
2. Development Projects. Approved final maps for Benedetti Parcel Map (3-lot subdivision, 6809 Sebastopol Ave) and The Canopy Final Map (80-townhomes subdivision, 1009-1011 Gravenstein Hwy N) were filed and recorded with Sonoma County Recorder's Office.
3. SR 116 HAWK pedestrian signal crossing at McKinley. Engineering has received numerous complaints about this signal causing traffic issues in the downtown area. Caltrans recently installed this signal and the City Engineer has communicated the issues with Caltrans' project manager and questions regarding the coordination of the signals in the area with the installation of the new HAWK signal. To date, the City has not heard back from Caltrans but staff is continuing to reach out to Caltrans District 4 office in Oakland.
4. Water Master Plan. Staff sent out Request for Proposals for this project and has received one proposal for the preparation of the master plan. Staff is reviewing the proposal and the scope of work. If the fee estimate is fair and reasonable and within the City adopted-budget, staff will be presenting the contract to Council for approval.
5. Burbank Farm ADA Path and Restroom Facility Grant Application. Staff submitted a T-mobile "hometown grant" in the amount of \$50,000 for this ADA project. The grant is highly competitive and the City will know if it is awarded the grant by April 1, 2025.
6. Bodega Avenue Guardrails Project. Staff sent out Request for Proposal for the design of this grant project and no proposals were received. Staff is reaching out to Caltrans to determine what next steps are and if the City has an option to negotiate with a local firm.