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**Land Use & Transportation Committee Meeting**  
**January 11, 2024 – 4:00 PM**  
**Via Zoom**  
**Minutes**

**Attendees:** Babbitt, Black, Chantal-Keane, Overall, Pennino, Robertson, Thorne  
**Absent:** Albertson, Badat, Slaff

**I. Call to Order** –Bill Babbitt, Chair, 4:05 p.m.

**II. Approval of December 5, 2023, Minutes**

Not approved

**III. Public Comment for Items not on the Agenda** None

**IV. Conference Agenda:**

**i. Update on improvements to the Coast Village Road medians, crosswalks and re-paving scheduled for 2024 – Thorn Robertson**

A Business Improvement District has been established on Coast Village Road. Members are taxed by Santa Barbara and the money will be used for safety, events and marketing issues on Coast Village Road. This last holiday season benefited with more decorations. There is a \$300K budget and a new part-time executive director has been hired. Issues being addressed are parking of delivery trucks on medians to mitigate damage to medians and create a free flow of traffic. The City of Santa Barbara will create loading zones for uninterrupted medians and will start in March or April to be completed within a couple weeks. Coast Village Road will be scraped and repaved in September or October with work being done mostly at night. A crosswalk at the Chevron is situated far back and will be moved by the City to make it more accessible. Coast Village Road Association will put out a bid for low maintenance landscaping. All pullouts will be on the south side. The curbs will be about eight inches, not three inches, to discourage parking on the medians.

**ii. Re-Visit Priorities & Goals for 2024**

The ten priorities that were identified for 2024 were discussed. Conversation took place regarding updating the Community Plan and the need to advocate for updating. It needs to go through long-term planning and budget and then approval by County Board of Supervisors. The process was discussed, and the list of priorities will be circulated for comments.

**V. Old Business-None**

**VI. New Business-** Bill Babbitt shared about the Moody Cottage that was landmarked and torn down. The history and photos were shared about the women who designed the homes and the great contribution to local history. If an MA ombudsman were in place, it may have prevented the Moody Cottage issues. The MA will submit a letter in support of addressing the importance of monitoring historical buildings and rectifying when changes occur that do not meet historical standards.

**VII. Adjournment 4:48 p.m.**