

Associated Students of Colorado State University
Forty-Sixth Senate
Sixth Session
September 21st, 2016

Agenda

- I. Call to Order
- II. Pledge
- III. Roll Call
- IV. Gallery Input
- V. Consent Agenda
 - Minutes 9/7/16 meeting
 - i. Consent agenda approved
- VI. Guest Speaker
 - Shields and Elizabeth underpass. The technical term for this project is grade separation. Some benefits of this project will be safety, increased comfort, improved function, and a gateway opportunity. The City of Fort Collins and CSU have been working on this project in a joint effort. This conversation has been in the works for the past 15 years and have been looking for a way to improve the infrastructure west of campus. The West Elizabeth corridor project is about to go to the city council. This has been in the planning stage for some time now. Spring 2016, a feasibility study was addressed to find solutions to some major issues. One of those issues was the floodplain. We looked at both an overpass and underpass to determine the benefits of either option. This extensive study included several different crossing points that included several different factors like the amount of car and pedestrian traffic as well as the costs. The reoccurring themes that we have heard have been is keeping through traffic, minimizing cut-through traffic, enhance safety, support bike and pedestrians, and keeping everyone safe. The heaviest bike, pedestrian, and transit corridor in Fort Collins. More than 2000 bikes cross Shields per day. We were also able to gather some crash data. These were only reported values and are likely higher. For the future, we are continuing to grow. We will also have more traffic on game day with the new stadium. The Shields street will be taking the grunt of the traffic from these events. With the current design, there will be the underpass but also the current

crossing methods. The lanes and parking will be adjusted. This is all pending at the moment. Should the agreements come to surface, we would be able to start construction on December 1, 2016 and would be completed by the opening of the stadium. It would occur in a three phase system to complete the project. We are working on reviewing the documents to create a more finalized version of the plan. We have an entire webpage dedicated to this project with more information and details to the project. It also includes a feedback portion for people to fill out.

- Questions
 - i. Senator Pyfrom: How will the use of the pass be with the current path still there.
 - 1. That is hard to predict but allows for the delay to be less than the current system.
 - ii. Senator Ruiz: Why would you want to move the sidewalk to the east, wouldn't that be more hazardous?
 - 1. People and owners were afraid of hazardous situations closer to the intersections.
 - iii. Senate Officer Horowitz: Would the underpass be flooded?
 - 1. The tunnel will be built to a flood standard and will be designed to keep water out. There will be a high point built to keep water out.
 - iv. Senator Auer: Are there any other methods in place? How do you intend to further the infrastructure for game days with lighting?
 - 1. There won't be any vegetation methods just to the nature of the pavement in the area.
 - 2. The design is for more than just game day use. The trail itself and the tunnel will be lit and will be on 24 hours every day. There will be cameras in the tunnel and along the pathway that will be in the CSU current system. Safe Walk will also include this into their program.
 - v. Senator Ashe: What is the funding?
 - 1. The project itself is 8.5 million dollars and will have a budget of 10 million dollars. The funding will come from the administration and will not be related to tuition based costs. It will be similar to other IGA projects.

- vi. Senator Hansen: If approved by City Council, when will it be ready?
What is the outreach for student input?
 - 1. It will be completed by the first game in the new stadium.
 - 2. The project has been presented to multiple groups on campus and to different groups. That is the challenge. I did mention the feedback portion on the webpage.
- vii. Senator Hughes: Will construction major students be able to get involved?
 - 1. We do ask the contracting group to consider that. We do expect some involvement.
- viii. Senator Dean: How did you determine the traffic for the blinking crosswalk?
 - 1. Yes, potentially. It also takes into consideration game day management for those events. Game days are highly managed with police on the ground.
- ix. Senator Auer: How do you address the accessibility with some of the paths?
 - 1. We had this same question come up from other groups and this was the most price effective solution that met standards that we could come up with.
- x. Senator Cheadle: How will you conduct phase two with Shields traffic?
 - 1. That is still unclear at this point.

VII. Ratification & Swearing in of New Members

- Associate Justices and Deputy Chief Justice
 - i. Presentation
 - 1. I am Brittany and I am Junior and was an Associate Justice last year.
 - 2. I am Celine and this will be my second time with ASCSU as I have served as an Associate Senator.
 - 3. I am Bronson and I am really excited to be here.
 - ii. Vote
 - 1. 21:0:0 all members elected into office
 - iii. Sworn into office
- Senate Members

- Senator Horowitz: If you are new or haven't emailed me, please email me and can send you all the new member materials or if you need other information. My email is ascsu_senate_membership@mail.colostate.edu.
- Senator Brown: We have so many new members but still do have some open spots. If you have friends or recommendations, please come find me.
- Parliamentarian Vaishampayan: If you have any questions, I can help you with that to help prepare you for motions in senate.

IX. Judicial Reports

X. Executive Reports

- Director Williams: I believe that we passed a resolution with New Era to increase voter registration. We will have our first event this Tuesday. If you are not trained to help, there is one last training day on Monday and can give more information about that. If you want to help and volunteer, I have a sign up sheet.

XI. Announcements

- Senator Horowitz: University Issues still meets at the same time. If you are going to be absent, please email senate leadership and respond to our emails.
- Director Williams: I sent out a couple notes about candidates running for the state senate. I will be giving out more announcements of debates and gatherings that I learn about.
- Senator Pyfrom: Thank you to everyone that came out to Ag Day on Saturday.
- Senator Brown: Next Saturday, Cam will be at the Border War.
- Senator Hansen: October 8th, ALVS will have a chili cook-off. 1st-3rd will receive text book scholarships or parking passes.
- Speaker pro Tempore Kendall: I want to recognize our guests with us tonight.
- Vice President Lensky: SFRB is currently meeting throughout the semester and look at the budgets for the fee funded areas. It meets 4-6 pm on Mondays. There are positions still available.

XII. Yea Box

XIII. Roll Call

XIV. Birthdays

XV. Fight Song

XVI. Adjournment

