

COUNCIL INFRASTRUCTURE & AIRPORT COMMITTEE MEETING
Hybrid Participation - Digital Zoom Meeting/Hayward Executive Airport

April 22, 2026

5:30 p.m.

MEETING MINUTES

CALL TO ORDER: Meeting called to order at 5:30 p.m. by Chair Salinas.

ROLL CALL:

Members Present:

- Angela Andrews, City Council Member
- George Syrop, City Council Member
- Mark Salinas, Mayor/ Chair

Staff Present:

- Alex Ameri, Director of Public Works
- Amber Parras, Senior Secretary
- Byron Tang, Principal Transportation Engineer
- George Foster, Senior Transportation Planner
- Jennifer Ott, City Manager
- Jeremy Lochirco, Planning Manager
- Marissa Matta, Management Analyst II
- Elli Lo, Senior Management Analyst

PUBLIC COMMENTS

There were none.

REPORTS/ACTION ITEMS

Director of Public Works Ameri announced that Agenda Items No. 5 and No. 4 would be heard before Agenda Item No. 3, with Item No. 5 heard first, to allow sufficient time for public comments.

1. Approval of Minutes of the Council Infrastructure & Airport Committee (CIAC) Meeting Held on February 5, 2026.

The item was moved by CM Andrews, seconded by CM Syrop, and approved unanimously.

2. Approval of Minutes of the Council Infrastructure & Airport Committee (CIAC) Meeting Held on February 25, 2026.

The item was moved by CM Syrop, seconded by CM Andrews, and approved unanimously.

5. Review of Recommended Capital Improvement Program for FY27 - FY36

Director of Public Works Ameri provided a synopsis of the staff report and Management Analyst I Matta presented a PowerPoint presentation.

Public Comments

Alejandro Jasso, representing Bike Hayward, commented on the Flock security cameras, expressing concerns about the classification of the system as a capital investment due to its lease-based model and lack of city ownership of equipment and data after contract expiration. He raised cybersecurity concerns, referencing reported vulnerabilities and third-party investigations suggesting potential exposure of devices to the internet. He also cited concerns about improper access to connected camera feeds and raised privacy concerns regarding surveillance of sensitive locations. He urged the City to reconsider use of the Flock system, citing investment, security, and privacy considerations.

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Mayor Salinas requested updates regarding the I-880 interchanges at A Street, West Winton, Industrial Boulevard, and Whipple, highlighting their continued focus at both ACTC and City levels. He also asked for an update on public safety site selection, noting prior consideration of locations on Winton Avenue and near the old City Hall, and inquired whether any additional alternative sites have been evaluated beyond those two options.

CM Syrop stated he believed the full Council should discuss the matter further and indicated he would abstain from the vote, citing a need for clearer explanation of how General Fund dollars are being used, particularly in the context of the City's budget deficit. While acknowledging prior staff clarification regarding the budget allocations, he expressed continued uncertainty about whether all expenses charged to the Capital Improvement Budget, especially those funded by the General Fund, including items such as the Flock cameras, are appropriately categorized and justified.

CM Andrews asked whether an amendment could be added to provide a detailed breakout of General Fund expenditure. She also inquired about potential alternatives to Flock license plate reader cameras, noting interest in whether those options have been discussed. She expressed concern about how the City would proceed if Flock were not selected and asked whether the Public Safety Committee could be directed to review alternatives as part of the process before the item advances to the City Council.

The item was moved by CM Andrews, seconded by Mayor Salinas, and approved with CM Syrop abstaining.

4. Transit Oriented Communities Policy Planning Grant Scoping

Director of Public Works Ameri provided a synopsis of the staff report and Senior Transportation Planner Foster presented a PowerPoint presentation.

Committee Member's Comments

CM Syrop expressed appreciation for the presentation and voiced strong support for pursuing the funding opportunity, noting that it represents a significant investment toward improving street safety. He supported establishing bicycle parking minimums while cautioning against excessive development requirements that could discourage projects. He also asked whether community partners could assist with Mobility Hub Plan requirements and explored how shared parking strategies could help unlock additional downtown parking capacity through partnerships with private property owners.

Mayor Salinas inquired about the project timeline and asked what actions could be implemented prior to full project completion.

CM Andrews supported proposed bicycle parking minimums and strategies such as unbundled and shared parking. She requested clarification on gaps in the Mobility Hub Plan and whether the City is coordinating with AC Transit or BART on mobility hub efforts. She raised concerns about parking pricing, particularly the outreach needed with local businesses. She also asked about the impacts of requiring residential developments to provide shuttle services, including how a points-based system might function. CM Andrews suggested prioritizing senior housing downtown within any shuttle incentive framework and exploring collaboration with Development Services to encourage shuttle provisions in future projects.

Mayor Salinas asked whether, in partnerships with agencies such as AC Transit or BART, the property located at the corner of B Street and Montgomery Street could be utilized in a way that would qualify for or contribute toward mobility "points" or credit within the proposed system.

Public Comments

Tyler Dragoni encouraged the city to better use the Oakland Railway subdivision and other rail corridors as active mobility links, connecting neighborhoods, downtown, and BART through safe walking and biking paths. He suggested using a flexible "temporary use" approach for rail rights-of-way, similar to other cities, to expand non-car transportation without blocking future rail use.

Alejandro Jasso expressed support for the project and highlighted downtown Hayward's strong amenities near the BART station, especially coffee shops. He suggested repurposing existing downtown space for secure bike parking and proposed a parking model with a

short free window followed by low hourly fees to support affordability, businesses, and city revenue needs.

3. Safe Streets Hayward Update (A St, B St, Tennyson)

Director of Public Works Ameri provided a synopsis of the staff report and Principal Transportation Engineer Tang presented a PowerPoint presentation.

Committee Member's Comments

Committee members discussed the proposed parking removal alternatives for the Tennyson Road Reimagined Corridor.

CM Andrews asked about potential partnerships with BART to address parking reductions and support transit use among nearby residents. Mayor Salinas supported the recommendation if parking could be retained between Calaroga Avenue and Sleepy Hollow Avenue. CM Syrop expressed general support but emphasized the need for additional feedback from residents most affected by parking impacts. He described the Tennyson corridor as an important commercial area with strong investment potential and supported continued walkability improvements while recognizing its commuter and residential functions. He also suggested exploring future parklet opportunities near businesses with existing parking lots.

Public Comments

Ahmed Shorab commented that safety should remain the primary focus of the Tennyson Road corridor project, noting that maintaining existing conditions could continue to result in severe injuries and fatalities, while a fully separated facility could significantly improve safety outcomes. He urged the Committee not to compromise safety in order to preserve parking or travel lanes, though he acknowledged that some compromises on lane and parking configurations may still be necessary. He also noted that parking removal near BART is already anticipated as part of the Greenway project and stressed the importance of maintaining a continuous corridor without unsafe gaps.

Tyler Dragoni commented on the importance of considering families affected by unsafe road conditions and encouraged the Committee to prioritize safe transportation alternatives for pedestrians, bicyclists, scooter users, and transit riders. He expressed support for staff's recommendation and stated that the City should have the courage to make active transportation safer and more practical. He also voiced opposition to the proposed removal of bus stops.

Committee Member's Comments

Committee members discussed the proposed parking removal alternatives for the A Street Reimagined Corridor.

CM Andrews expressed support for the proposal, citing increased pedestrian activity in the area due to new housing, nearby senior residents, Burbank Elementary School, and Cannery Park. She also asked about coordination with Alameda County, given its jurisdictional influence over portions of A Street, and inquired whether the County is making similar investments in pedestrian improvements and corridor planning.

CM Syrop also voiced strong support for the plan, noting that the corridor currently feels unpleasant for pedestrians and bicyclists despite the presence of bike lanes. He observed that many children ride on the sidewalk because of safety concerns and stated that the proposed improvements would support economic development by helping transform the corridor into a more inviting and active commercial destination where people would want to spend time, rather than simply drive through.

Public Comments

Ahmed Shorab expressed support for the proposal and shared his experience bicycling along A Street, describing the corridor and overpass as uncomfortable and stressful for cyclists. He noted that when visiting businesses in the area, he typically parks on nearby streets and walks to his destination, indicating that the proposed parking changes would be manageable.

Alejandro Jasso expressed strong support for the project and praised the level of community participation and feedback. He emphasized the importance of investing in multimodal transportation infrastructure in light of rising fuel costs and global instability affecting oil supplies, stating that projects such as the A Street improvements would help strengthen the local economy and support increased bicycle and e-bike use. He acknowledged staff's efforts to minimize parking impacts and encouraged the City to expedite implementation of the project.

Committee Member's Comments

Committee members discussed the proposed parking removal alternatives for the B Street Reimagined Corridor.

CM Syrop asked about the project timeline beyond the conceptual phase and when implementation could realistically occur. He also raised questions about the proposed bicycle facility configuration, noting concern about the abrupt transition from a two-way separated bike path to split facilities near Montgomery Avenue and Watkins Street. He

asked whether a more consistent protected bike lane design throughout the corridor would be feasible, particularly given the nearby school and roadway constraints. He expressed enthusiasm for the improved connectivity between the Amtrak station, downtown, and the proposed A Street and B Street corridor improvements, stating that the investments would help strengthen the neighborhood as an extension of downtown and improve access to local amenities and resources.

Mayor Salinas commented that if Amtrak or Southern Pacific were to realign the rail corridor and close the Hayward station in the future, the City could potentially seek concessions to help fund alternative community improvements, such as new pedestrian or bicycle pathways for the neighborhood.

CM Andrews expressed support for using a similar outreach approach as was used for Tennyson Road in this area, noting that survey respondents are likely a more motivated group. She emphasized the need for stronger outreach and clearer communication with the broader community. She complimented the quality and visual clarity of the slide deck and suggested that the approach could be shared or used as a model for other departments.

The item was moved by CM Syrop, seconded by CM Andrews, and approved unanimously.

6. Proposed Agenda Planning Calendar: Review and Comment

Director of Public Works Ameri stated that an update on the Corporation Yard and the BART Transit-Oriented Development would be provided in June. CM Andrews asked whether representatives from BART could be invited to attend that meeting.

COMMITTEE MEMBER/STAFF ANNOUNCEMENTS AND REFERRALS

There were none.

ADJOURNMENT

Chair Salinas adjourned the meeting at 7:59 p.m.

Attendance	MEETINGS			
	Present 4/22/26 Meeting	Present to Date This Fiscal Year	Excuse to Date This Fiscal Year	Absent to Date This Fiscal Year
Angela Andrews	✓	15	0	0
Mark Salinas	✓	15	0	0
George Syrop	✓	15	0	0