

CITY OF MERCED
Planning Department

TO: Bicycle Advisory Commission
FROM: Bill King, Principal Planner
DATE: April 26, 2016
SUBJECT: Bear Creek Bikeway Project – Alternative Designs

ACTION REQUIRED:

Information item and opportunity to comment.

BACKGROUND

The City is planning the redesign of a Class I Bike path. The current bike path is constructed along various segments of the Bear Creek Corridor. However the corridor is missing a few segments that, once completed, would connect a variety of residential areas with existing commercial centers.

The City is planning on submitting this third project for the next Cycle 3 ATP Grant “Call for Projects” which is due in June 2016.

The City is looking for ideas to make the connections similar to the original sketch submitted. The City is open to any and all suggestions.

DISCUSSION

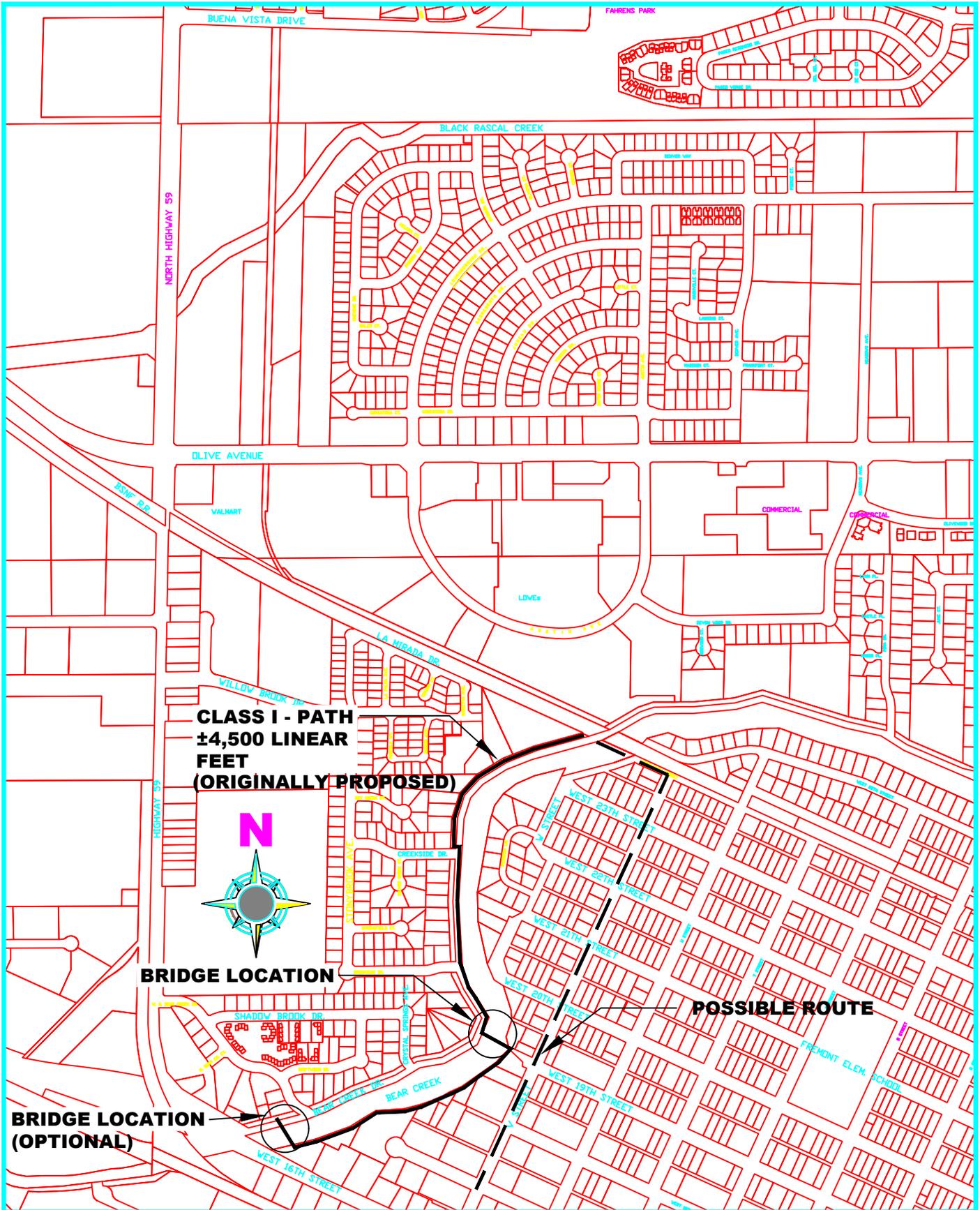
At the February 23, 2016, Bicycle Advisory Commission meeting, Principal Architect John Sagin presented a report about the draft application to compete for Caltrans Active Transportation funds to install bikeway features in the area just east of Bear Creek between 16th Street and 25th Street, connecting to the Class I Bike Path that exists along the northeast side of the BNSF Railroad corridor near the Merced Marketplace Shopping Center. The Commission offered several ideas, notably the need to improve the existing pathway crossing of Bear Creek at the BNSF rail line. Staff asked for additional comments from the Commission to be provided at or before the regularly scheduled April 26, 2016, Bicycle Advisory Commission meeting.

ACTION

The BAC is invited to review and offer comments.

Attachment

- A. Original Bike Path Project map showing possible realigned bikeway route



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ATP PROJECTS
BEAR CREEK BIKE PATH CONNECTION
16TH STREET / BUENA VISTA ROAD
ATTACHMENT A

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