

Looking at Options to Improve Reliez Station Corridor

By Cathy Tyson



Reliez Station Corridor map

Image provided

After personally seeing congestion, analyzing data and hearing from residents, representatives from Stantec Transportation Consultants explained at a late-January meeting various alternatives, with estimated price tags for each option, to the currently failing intersections along the Olympic Boulevard and Reliez Station Road Corridor. Feedback from residents at the forum was lively, with many voicing concerns.

The consultants were tasked to work with residents and staff to identify problems, and to develop and evaluate options for addressing issues on this well-traveled route toward the freeway, popular with Burton Valley drivers as well as residents of Moraga. The City of Lafayette received funding from the Contra Costa Transportation Authority to pay for a study of traffic and safety issues along the corridor. Stantec Traffic Consultants had the winning proposal.

With roughly \$1.2 million poten-

tially available via county sales tax revenue to go toward upgrading intersections on the often-congested corridor, this was the first peek at potential solutions. Due to the number of problematic intersections along this route, and a limited amount of money, the city wants to get input from stakeholders and prioritize options.

The lengthy process started back in the spring of 2014 and included an initial opinion survey and multiple community walks along the corridor, identifying existing conditions and more.

At the January meeting, consultants presented exhaustive charts with issues identified by residents that rated characteristics like speed, congestion, safety and more at each of the four intersections along the route from the intersection of Pleasant Hill Road and Olympic Boulevard to Reliez Station Road and Glenside Drive North.

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Smiles Abound at Business Person of the Year Dinner



From left: Debbie Cooper and Leila Douglah

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Chamber of Commerce President Debbie Cooper from Mechanics Bank congratulated Leila Douglah of Douglah Designs as the 2015 Business Person of the Year at the annual dinner event sponsored by the Lafayette Cham-

ber of Commerce. Douglah has grown and expanded her business in Lafayette and always gives back to the community. She was honored at the Lafayette Park Hotel, with many dignitaries there to sing her praises. C. Tyson

2015 Citizen of the Year Nomination Deadline Feb. 13

Criteria are as follows:

- Must NOT be a current elected or paid member of any city council, school board or commission;
- Must be a current Lafayette resident;
- Must be someone who has given of their time, money or energy to help make Lafayette a healthy community, where people will want to live, work and shop;
- Must be someone who models excellence in everything they do;
- Must be someone who brings this community together and/or makes us proud to be a member of the community.

A celebration dinner will be held on **Friday, March 27** at the Lafayette Park Hotel & Spa to honor the winner! The deadline for submitting nominations is **Friday, Feb. 13.**

The 2015 Lafayette Citizen of the Year Award is co-sponsored by the Lafayette Chamber of Commerce and Lamorinda Weekly.

Please send your nomination to Lafayette Chamber of Commerce Executive Director Jay Lifson

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Attn: Lafayette Citizen of Year nomination
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Avg. Days on Market	14	26	17	21	29	14
Sold Over Asking Price	18	16	29	28	34	32
Sold Under Asking Price	3	6	11	15	17	12
Sold at Asking Price	1	7	7	10	7	3
Avg. Sales Price	\$844,454	\$892,000	\$1,075,000	\$1,166,000	\$1,360,000	\$1,488,000
Avg. Sales Price Per Sq. Ft.	\$493	\$538	\$489	\$517	\$441	\$478

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