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**From:** Alice Cavette  
**To:** CClerk  
**Date:** 04/13/2020 7:14 PM  
**Subject:** Consent Item 2E: SABERCAT/680 PROJECT

Regarding Consent Item 2E: SABERCAT/680 PROJECT

The staff report gives the impression that this is a done deal.

At last October's council meeting, the public was told there would be plenty of community outreach and that all they were approving was funding for a study and that outreach.

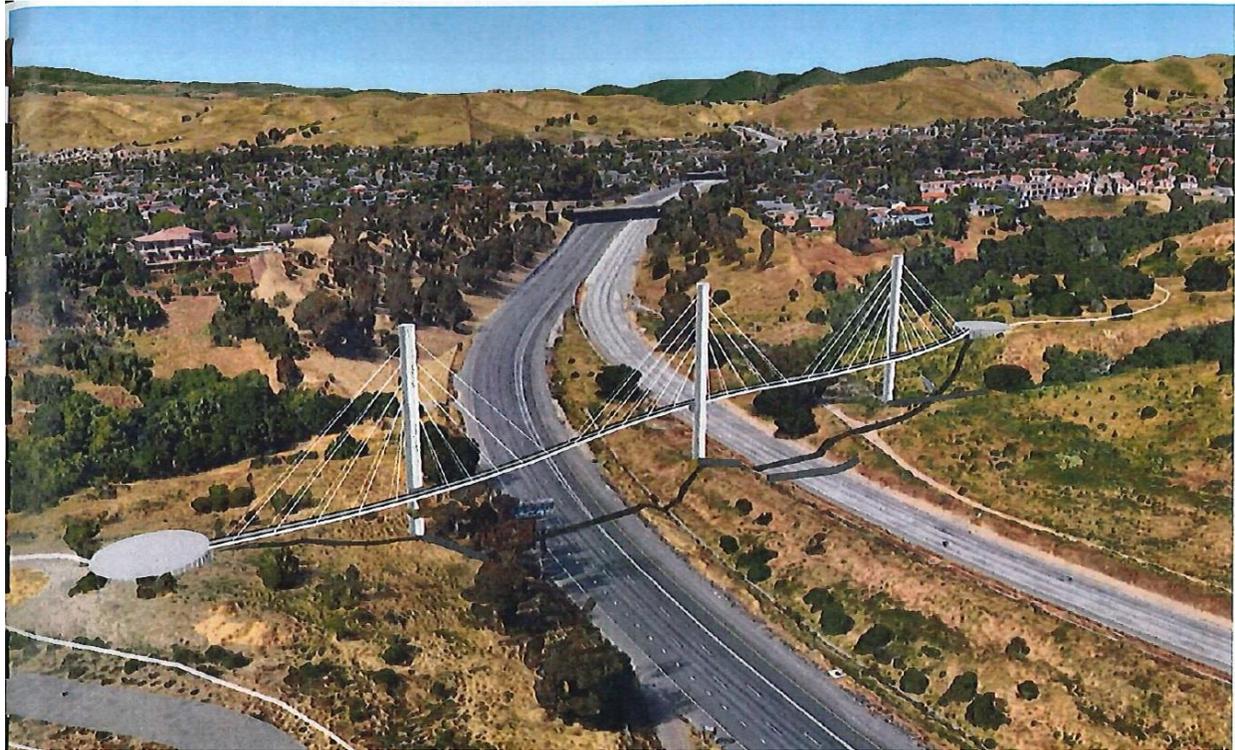
Many residents are against any bridge across 680 connecting Irvington to the Sabercat Trail.

Many more residents are opposed to the proposed design of the bridge. It looks like the new section of the Bay Bridge and does not reflect anything about the fossil dig site nor the proposed fossil museum.

There are several other issues that need full discussion.

Please reassure the public that they will be heard.

Regards,  
Alice Cavette



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**From:** Hans Larsen  
**To:** Alice Cavette  
**Date:** 04/14/2020 10:34 AM  
**Subject:** Consent Item 2E: SABERCAT/680 PROJECT

Hi Alice -

I hope you and Chris are healthy and well during these unprecedented times. Your message below to the City Clerk was shared with me about the Council action for tonight on the Sabercat/680 bridge and trail project, and I wanted to update you on the project status and confirm the upcoming opportunities for community engagement.

- Fremont has received a funding grant from the State Natural Resources Agency for project planning, environmental review, and design.
- The action on the City Council agenda tonight relates to an agreement with Caltrans to have them participate in the project development process.
- City staff is planning to have a community meeting about the project, tentatively scheduled for early June. Due to the current health order, this may be conducted as a "virtual meeting". We will also be seeking community feedback about the project through our project website, which will be available in May.
- The initial bridge design rendering was prepared to "generically" show the scope and location of the trail over I-680 and was used to apply for the funding grant that we received. With funding now in place for project planning, and a design team onboard, we now have the resources to consider bridge designs that are reflective of the local context. As part of the upcoming community outreach process, we look forward to hearing directly from the community about issues and ideas related to the trail connection, a proposed museum and interpretive center, and the visual design for the bridge.

I appreciate your continued interest in the project and we look forward to getting started on the project planning process. Let me know if you have questions or need further information.

Thanks! Hans

Hans Larsen  
Public Works Director