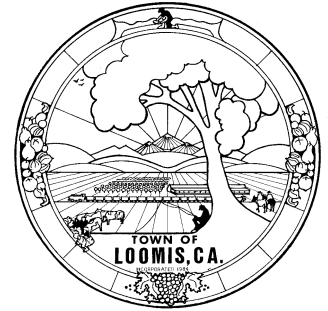


TOWN OF LOOMIS



TO: Honorable Mayor and Council Members
FROM: Wes Heathcock, Town Manager
DATE: December 12, 2023
SUBJECT: Town Manager Report for December 2023 Council Meeting

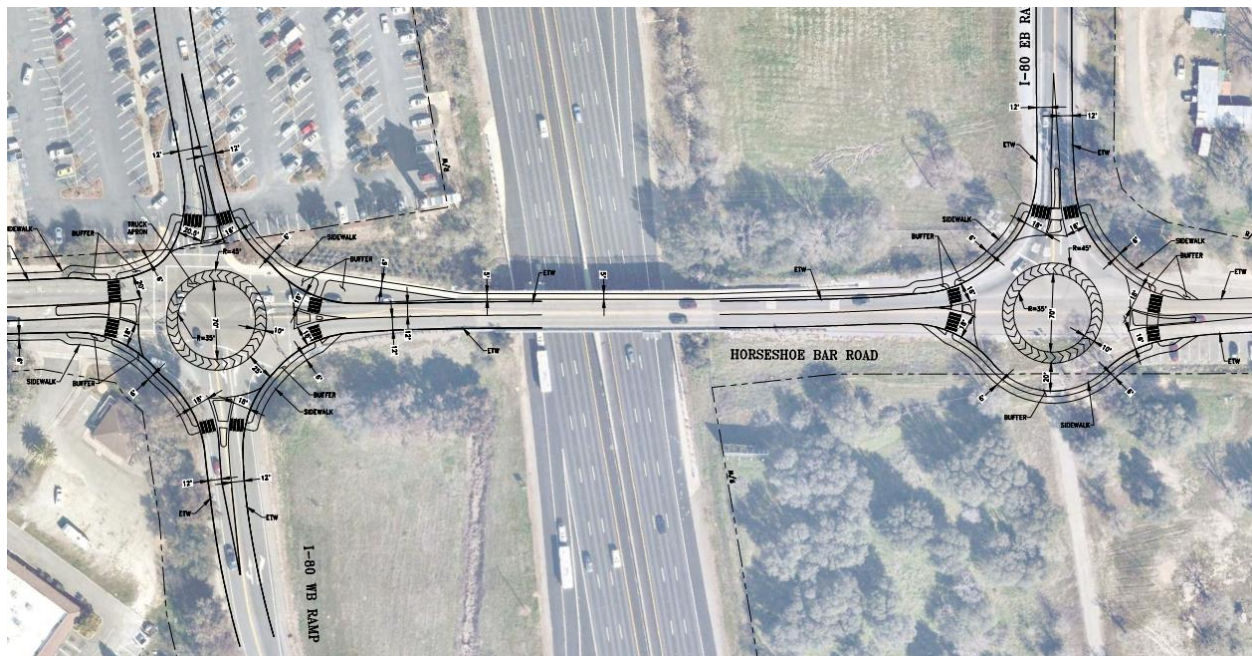
Mayor and Council Members,

The following report provides an update on some of the activities related to the Town of Loomis.

Horseshoe Bar Road / I-80 Interchange Potential Project

Staff in collaboration with Caltrans District 3, Placer County Transportation Planning Agency (PCTPA), council appointed PCTPA representatives, and Turtle Island developer have initiated early discussions regarding the potential of developing the first of two intersection treatments at the Horseshoe Bar Road / I-80 Interchange locations. The Town will need to enter into a cooperative reimbursement agreement with Caltrans District 3 and initiate a Project Study Report with a third-party transportation engineer consultant to determine the best treatment for the locations. Staff anticipates bringing the item to council for discussion in January 2024.

The design concept image below is from the Town of Loomis 2020 Horseshoe Bar Road Interchange Roundabout Analysis report.



Finance Department

The recruitment for the finance director was updated and reissued for solicitation on November 15th. The second recruitment with the modified compensation is scheduled to close December 24, 2023. The goal is to have a successful recruitment hire by February 2024.

Van Groningen & Associates (VGA) has begun the finance department oversight process. Tasks such as audit documentation duties dissemination and accounting software training are already underway. The goal is to have the consultant leadership transition completed by January 2024.

Community Branding

The Economic Development Committee is working with Solace Graphics to refine the Town of Loomis community branding. The Town in collaboration with the Chamber staff established a draft apparel brand which will be further developed with stakeholder input to hopefully standardize the Town of Loomis economic community brand representing the contemporary identity of the community. The item will be developed in the coming months with the final input from the council in early spring.

Council Strategic Planning

Staff is working with the strategic planning consultant Mike Shellito to take the framework workshop concepts and apply them to a strategic planning session in January 2024.

Solid Waste Joint Powers Authority

Staff have been working with the Cities of Auburn and Colfax to determine if creating a Joint Powers Authority (JPA) for solid waste would be advantageous for the agencies. The group has met five times to discuss the feasibility of the JPA with promising results. Items the JPA could oversee are the CalRecycle regulatory compliance requirements and the franchise services for the jurisdictions. Staff is anticipating bringing the JPA discussion to council at the January Town Council meeting.

Costco

The Costco Project updated opening is April 2024 according to the developer staff. Staff is still working with Costco to collect the EIR traffic mitigation fees and assign oak tree mitigation lands to comply with the requirements.



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Holiday Closure

Town Hall will be closed from December 25th through January 1st, resuming office hours January 2, 2024. Public Works staff and the building inspector will be available on an as needed basis December 27th and December 28th.