

City of Santa Clara Bicycle and Pedestrian Advisory Committee
MEETING MINUTES

MEETING LOCATION and DATE:

Inspection Division Conference Room, **Wednesday, June 17, 2015 - 4:00 p.m.**

ATTENDANCE:

Members Present

- Teresa O'Neill- Chair
- Abigail Shull
- Admas Zewdie
- Craig Larsen
- Dale Schouten

Members Present

- James Lucas
- Pete MacKay
- Thomas Granvold
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City Staff Present

- Rajeev Batra (DPW/CE)
- Dennis Ng (PW)
- Marshall Johnson (PW)
- Officer Machado(SCPD)

Interested Public

Barbara Shaw

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Ken Kratz
Diane Harrison
Steve Bevan
John Hutson
Michael Bengtsson
Joe Quinn
Michael O'Halloran

I. Call to Order. Welcome & Introductions.

II. Approval of Minutes of March 18, 2015. Minutes were approved.

III. Public Presentation

- A.** Mr. Kratz commented on the following 3 items: 1-pavement marking removal process, 2-dissapproves of Tasman Drive Bicycle Project, 3-recommends that City employees be eligible to become BPAC members.
- B.** Ms. Harrison commented about the need for grass trimming along the STACT and noted that the bicycle detection on Calabazas Boulevard at El Camino Real is still not working.
- C.** Mr. Hutson commented on the use of "electric" and "motorized" bicycles on the STACT.
- D.** Member Granvold called attention to the "Google Bike Vision Plan".
- E.** Member MacKay appreciated the recent improvements on Homestead Road.

IV. Reports for Committee Information

- A. Follow up items from previous meeting** – Mr. Johnson noted that the Signal timing was adjusted to allow for additional crossing time for bicyclists at Saratoga @ Homestead and Pomeroy @ Benton. Also, a survey of the newly built Santa Clara Town Centre for bicycle facilities shows 15 lockers and 22 racks installed. Additional bicycle facilities will be installed with the completion of the entire development.
- B. VTA BPAC Update** – Member MacKay noted that there was a presentation on the future modifications for the intersection of Stevens Creek Blvd @ San Tomas Expressway. Also, VTA is looking for feedback to proposals on modify the intersection of Page Mill Road at Interstate 280. Comments can be made via VTA's website.
- C. Silicon Valley Bicycle Coalition Update** – None
- D. SCPD Update** – Officer Machado presented the results of a report on recent accidents involving bicyclist in the City and noted it did not show any particular pattern. He noted the continuing effort with the Pedestrian Crosswalk Stings funded by OTS grant. Also, he announced an upcoming "Bike Party" planned for Santa Clara next week.

E. Operational Discussion of BPAC – Chair O’Neill led discussion about operational changes to improve BPAC meetings. Staff supports increasing the numbers of meetings per year from 5 to 6 with meetings held every other month. The concept of a Work Plan and High Level Statements were discussed. Chair O’Neill suggested that members propose items for the Work Plan and High Level Goals at the next meeting. Staff agreed to bring skeleton of the “Work Plan” at next meeting. Member MacKay requested a Grant Calendar to inform the BPAC of when future funding possibilities are available. Chair O’Neill is committed to providing the BPAC earlier access for input to future developments. Chair O’Neill noted that public presentations at City Council Meetings might be a more effective means of communicating to Council then presenting the BPAC minutes.

V. Reports for Committee Action

A. Membership Voting – Members voted to recommend to City Council that Ken kratz fill the remain term for Megan Olson which expires on December 31, 2015.

B. VTP 2040 Update/Envision Silicon Valley – Members recommended the following bicycle projects be included in this update:

1. Benton Street Bike Lanes from Lawrence Expressway to San Tomas Expressway
2. Monroe Street Bike Lanes from Lawrence Expressway to Calabazas Boulevard
3. Lafayette Street Bike Lanes from Central Expressway to highway 237
4. San Tomas Aquino Creek Trail Agnew at-grade crossing upgrade
5. Pruneridge Avenue Bike Lanes from Pomeroy Avenue to Hedding Street
6. Calabazas Boulevard Bike Lanes from Monroe Street to Cabrillo Avenue

VI. Added Agenda Items for Future Meetings

A. None

VII. Announcements

A. None

VIII. Adjournment to Next Meeting Date (August 19, 2015)