

City of Santa Clara Bicycle and Pedestrian Advisory Committee
MEETING MINUTES

MEETING LOCATION and DATE:

Inspection Division Conference Room, Wednesday, August 17, 2016 - 4:00 p.m.

ATTENDANCE:

Members Present

Teresa O'Neill- Chair
 Abigail Shull
 Admas Zewdie
 Craig Larsen
 Sarah Peters

Members Present

James Lucas
 Pete MacKay
 Thomas Granvold
 Lola Torney

City Staff Present

Dennis Ng (PW)
 Marshall Johnson (PW)
 Officer Machado(SCPD)

Interested Public

Darren Gabriel
Robert Hesse

Interested Public

Lindsey Kuper
Diane Harrison
Ken Kratz
Suds Jain
Ralph Rodney
Colin Hayne(SVBC)

I. Call to Order. Welcome & Introductions.

A. Under government code 54954.2B.2(Brown Act), member Lucas along with member Granvold, made a motion to add emergency item to Agenda concerning the possible demolition of the Intel pedestrian bridge across the San Tomas Aquino Creek. The Committee voted 7 to 0 in favor of this motion.

II. Approval of Minutes of June 23, 2016. A motion was made to approve the minutes and members voted 7-0 to approve the minutes with minor corrections.

III. Public Presentation

- A.** Ms. Harrison noted she did not receive E-notify for rescheduled meeting. She also inquired about San Tomas Expressway Widening Project.
- B.** Mr. Kratz inquired about standards for placement of utility boxes located in sidewalks. He also stated he would like to scale back plans for City Place development and build it in stages.
- C.** Member Torney inquired about sidewalk furniture placements in sidewalks.
- D.** Mr. Jain requested Climate Action Plan review. He also requested increasing the number of bicycle parking spaces requirement for development. He had concerns about the public's misconceptions regarding the Pruneridge Avenue road-diet and would like some type of public outreach. He also expressed concern over the rough surface at the expansion joints in the bicycle lanes on San Tomas Expressway over 101.
- E.** Ms. Kuper gave brief overview of concerns regarding the possible demolition of the "Freedom Bridge" Intel installed over San Tomas Aquino Creek. She asked the Committee for their help to preserve this bridge.

IV. Reports for Committee Information

- A. Vision Zero** – Mr. Heyne gave a presentation on Vision Zero which strives towards the goal of zero deaths on our roadways. The safety concerns is what keeps many off their bikes. Vision Zero places safety as the number one priority ahead of speed and capacity for our roadways. Silicon Valley Bicycle Coalition provides a tool kit for those hoping to achieve a Vision Zero goal.
- B. Follow up items from previous meeting** – Mr. Johnson had no update.
- C. VTA BPAC Update** – Member Peters noted that the BPAC recommended Anti-Displacement Criteria be added to OBAG criteria. She also noted that the County will reduce the speed limit to 35 mph in the construction zone on San Tomas Expressway due to narrow outside lane because of K-rail. Also, VTA is considering adopting a Complete Streets Policy that would apply to VTA Capital Projects and all VTA funded projects including those funded by the proposed sales tax.
- D. Silicon Valley Bicycle Coalition Update** – Member Lucas had no update.
- E. SCPD Update** – Officer Machado was not present.
- F. BPAC Subcommittee - Operations** – Chair O'Neill had no update.

G. BPAC Subcommittee - Bronze to Silver – Chair O’Neill had no update.

H. OBAG Update – Mr. Johnson gave an update on the 5 projects the City of Santa Clara submitted as OBAG applications.

V. Reports for Committee Action

A. Intel Bridge – Chair O’Neill led discussion concerning what role or action the BPAC should take to support the ongoing efforts to preserve the existing bridge from being demolished as scheduled. Chair O’Neill recommended sending a letter to the Water District in support of keeping the bridge. All members agreed to this action. Chair O’Neill agreed to create a draft of this letter.

VI. Added Agenda Items for Future Meetings

- A.** Vision Zero Discussion
- B.** Intel Bridge Follow-up
- C.** Climate Action Plan
- D.** Complete Streets Policy

VII. Announcements

- A.** None

VIII. Adjournment at 6:15 pm to Next Meeting Date (October 19, 2016)