



City of Sunnyvale

Meeting Minutes - Draft

Bicycle and Pedestrian Advisory Commission

Thursday, July 16, 2026

6:30 PM

Online and Redwood Conference Room,
City Hall, 456 W. Olive Ave., Sunnyvale,
CA 94086

Public Participation

6:30 P.M. BICYCLE AND PEDESTRIAN ADVISORY COMMISSION MEETING

CALL TO ORDER

Chair Wilson called the meeting to order at 6:34 p.m.

SALUTE TO THE FLAG

Chair Wilson led the salute to the flag.

ROLL CALL

- Present** 6 - Chair Jonathan Wilson
Commissioner Alex Bonne
Commissioner Geeta Gollakota
Commissioner Dan Hafeman
Commissioner Andy Yang
Commissioner Diyi Zhu
- Absent** 1 - Commissioner Zohar Shvarzberg

Council Liaison Srinivasan (present)

Commissioner Shvarzberg's absence is excused.

Commissioner Yang introduced himself to the BPAC and the public.

ORAL COMMUNICATIONS

Public Comment opened at 6:39 p.m.

No speakers.

Public Comment closed at 6:40 p.m.

STUDY SESSION

A [26-0678](#) VTA 2016 Measure B Bicycle and Pedestrian Education & Encouragement Program

Jose Palma, Active Transportation Planner, gave a presentation. Highlighting the following:

- Background
- Progress Update on FY 25/26 Projects
- Proposed FY 26/27 Expanded and New Projects
- Goal for Tonight's BPAC Study Session

Commissioner Zhu asked about the following:

- How well programs are performing
- If there are student clubs or liaisons within the school that coordinates with the City on these programs
- Whether Artificial Intelligence (AI) tools have been considered by staff to optimize workload

Mr. Palma and Lillian Tsang, Principal Transportation Engineer/Planner, responded.

Commissioner Bonne asked about the following:

- If the U-Locks given to students will be keyed or combination
- Whether staff has looked at existing how-to-bike videos from other organizations for ideas in creating a logo

Mr. Palma responded.

Commissioner Yang asked about the following:

- Whether any thought has been giving on how to change the mindset of students regarding bike riding together as a way of more socialization

Mr. Palma responded.

Commissioner Hafeman asked about the following:

- Why there hasn't been more Bike Rodeos at schools
- Why Walk-to-School Day only took place at one school

Mr. Palma and Ms. Tsang responded.

Commissioner Gollakota asked about the following:

- Whether social media outreach will be made to both children and adults
- If other methods of securing bikes have been explored in addition to the bike locks
- Whether the social media sites that children are consuming are being considered when doing outreach

Mr. Palma and Ms. Tsang responded.

Commissioner Bonne asked about the following:

- The availability of the Safe Routes to School web page
- Whether the goal is to have the bike safety presence at every school, every year

Mr. Palma responded.

Chair Wilson asked about the following:

- Walk-to-School Day participation
- Number of views for online videos
- How many farmers' markets Mr. Palma was able to attend downtown
- Whether attending the farmers' markets was a large commitment for staff
- Whether there is a plan for more attendance at farmers' markets using the Mobile Information Kiosk E-bike (M.I.K.E)

Mr. Palma and Angela Wong, Transportation Engineer, responded.

Public Comment opened at 7:27 p.m.

Susan Ciaburro, member of the public, commented on the following:

- Asked when the VTA 2026 Measure B funding runs out
- Asked if there's a rescue plan for broken down bicycles

Public Comment closed at 7:29 p.m.

Commissioner Yang commented on the following:

- Cyclist education on bike security and repairability

Commissioner Bonne commented on the following:

- Suggested the following to increase the number of Bike-to-School and Walk-to-School events:
 - Identifying in-school volunteers, including school staff

- Encouraging competitions between schools or grades within a school

Commissioner Gollakota commented on the following:

- That it may be beneficial if staff would notify schools when Crossing Guard Recertification occurs

Commissioner Hafeman commented on the following:

- The benefit of seeing program data trends over a five-year period

Chair Wilson commented on the following:

- The need for City staff to attend more farmers' markets
- Bicycle education for adult cyclists
 - Targeting areas where these individuals congregate
- Marketing/advertising
- The desire for banners/images on the City website

Commissioner Zhu commented on the following:

- Covering multiple initiatives during school visits
- Suggested using a car to efficiently transport staff and equipment to events instead of a bike
- Getting students to volunteer for farmers' markets

Commissioner Yang commented on the following:

- Educating disadvantaged cyclists on bicycle safety behaviors

Commissioner Hafeman commented on the following:

- Proposed an idea to put up a survey on the City website when there is Walk-to-School days

Chair Wilson commented on the following:

- Advertising on bus stops
- Host workshops prior to school, offering snacks or prizes to students who attend

Commissioner Gollakota commented on the following:

- Agreed with Chair Wilson's comment regarding offering snacks or prizes to students who attend workshops
- Reaching a broader audience when doing outreach by utilizing existing channels within school districts

CONSENT CALENDAR

1.A [26-0679](#) Approve the Bicycle and Pedestrian Advisory Commission

Meeting Minutes of June 18, 2026.

Approve the Bicycle and Pedestrian Advisory Commission Meeting Minutes of June 18, 2026 as submitted.

Public Comment opened at 7:54 p.m.

No speakers.

Public Comment closed at 7:54 p.m.

Commissioner Hafeman moved and Commissioner Zhu seconded the motion to approve item 1.A.

The motion carried by the following vote:

Yes 4 - Chair Wilson
Commissioner Bonne
Commissioner Hafeman
Commissioner Zhu

No 0

Absent 1 - Commissioner Shvarzberg

Abstain 2 - Commissioner Gollakota
Commissioner Yang

PUBLIC HEARINGS/GENERAL BUSINESS

2 [26-0680](#) Selection of Chair and Vice Chair for FY26/27

Ms. Wong explained the Selection of Chair and Vice Chair process. The term will serve from July 2026 to the end of June 2027.

Chair Wilson called for a recess at 8 p.m. Chair Wilson reconvened the meeting at 8:11 p.m.

Public Comment opened at 8:12 p.m.

No speakers.

Public Comment closed at 8:13 p.m.

Commissioner Zhu and Commissioner Bonne nominated Chair Wilson for the Chair

position. Chair Wilson accepts the nomination.

Commissioner Gollakota and Commissioner Zhu nominated Commissioner Bonne for the Vice Chair position. Commissioner Bonne accepts the nomination.

No additional nominations were made for Chair or Vice Chair seats.

Chair Wilson was reappointed as Chair and Commissioner Bonne was appointed as Vice Chair, both by general consent.

NON-AGENDA ITEMS AND COMMENTS

-Commissioner Comments

No comments.

-Staff Comments

Ms. Wong commented on the following:

- Free bicycle workshop on July 18, July 25, Aug. 1 and Aug. 22 for students entering fifth through eighth grade. To sign up, visit wheelkids.com/msbs. Use code SUNNYMSBS at checkout.

INFORMATION ONLY REPORTS/ITEMS

[26-0682](#) BPAC 2026 Annual Work Plan

[26-0683](#) Active Items List July 2026

ADJOURNMENT

Chair Wilson adjourned the meeting at 8:19 p.m.