



# City of Sunnyvale

## Meeting Minutes - Draft Bicycle and Pedestrian Advisory Commission

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Thursday, August 18, 2022

6:30 PM

Telepresence Meeting: City Web Stream

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### **CALL TO ORDER**

Pursuant to Government Code Subdivision 54953(e), the meeting was conducted telephonically; pursuant to state law, the City Council made the necessary findings by adopting Resolution No. 1089-21, reaffirmed on August 9, 2022.

Chair Mehlman called the meeting to order at 6:31 p.m. via teleconference.

### **ROLL CALL**

**Present 7 -** Chair Leia Mehlman  
Vice Chair Bryce Beagle  
Commissioner Alex Bonne  
Commissioner Arwen Davé  
Commissioner Dan Hafeman  
Commissioner Richard Mehlinger  
Commissioner Timothy Oey

Dennis Ng, Principal Transportation and Traffic Manager, Lillian Tsang, Principal Transportation Engineer and Think Le, Transportation Engineer attended via teleconference.

Council Liaison Din (present)

### **PRESENTATION**

**A**      [22-0845](#)      Active Transportation Plan Progress Update

Lillian Tsang, Principal Transportation Engineer, gave a presentation on the Active Transportation Plan Progress Update. Highlighting the following:

- Active Transportation Plan Background
- Vision Statement

- Goal
- Bicycle Improvement Projects
- Completed Projects
- In-Progress Bicycle Improvement Projects
- Future Bicycle Improvement Projects
- Active Transportation Plan Bikeway Mileage
- Pedestrian Improvement Projects
- Completed Pedestrian Improvement Projects
- In-Progress Pedestrian Improvement Projects
- Future Pedestrian Improvement Projects
- Safe Routes to School Improvement Projects
- In Progress SRTS Projects
- Future SRTS Projects
- Next Steps
- Implement Bicycle, Pedestrian and SRTS Improvements
- Grant funding opportunities
- Continue to deliver funded bicycle and pedestrian projects

Commissioner Bonne asked about the following:

- Future projects exceeding over 2 miles
- Greatest time consumer in getting the project to the construction phase

Ms. Tsang addressed the questions.

Commissioner Mehlinger asked about the following:

- Pajaro Avenue/California Avenue intersection beginning construction this year
- Numbers on how much has been spent implementing the ATP so far and remaining cost estimate
- Sunnyvale Caltrain Station Study Issue update
- Situation with street sweeping and Class IV bike lanes

Ms. Tsang addressed the questions.

Vice Chair Beagle asked about the following:

- Meaning of mode split from page 5
- Hitting the target by 2030 at current rate
- Minimum build requirements for the ATP
- Slide 14 - Explain proposed remaining
- Total number of non-residential streets that potentially a bike lane could go on

Ms. Tsang and Mr. Ng addressed the questions.

Commissioner Hafeman asked about the following:

- Class II going to Class IIB
- HAWK signal or a crosswalk at Mary Avenue and Carson Drive
- Page 14 - Proposed remaining comes directly from the ATP
- 10% mode shift number

Ms. Tsang addressed the questions.

Commissioner Oey asked about the following:

- Difference between all of the different maintenance pavement treatments on the streets
- Transportation Bikeway Mileage - How many currently as opposed to how many miles are not there yet
- Have a measure of where we are at currently
- Sidewalk projects putting in new ADA curb ramps rather than fixing what was there before
- Adding this presentation to the ATP report page on the website or adding a link of this presentation to the ATP website

Ms. Tsang and Mr. Ng addressed the questions.

Commissioner Davé asked about the following:

- In-Progress Pedestrian Improvement Project - Is the landscaping giving pedestrians more ways to get further off the road
- Moffett Park Project Vicinity
- The BPAC helping the City of Sunnyvale to find funding for these projects

Ms. Tsang and Mr. Ng addressed the questions.

Chair Mehlman asked about the following:

- Timeline of when the City will actively seek out and obtain researching into obtaining a street sweeper that will be compliant with the bike lanes

Mr. Ng addressed the question.

Commissioner Hafeman asked about the following:

- How the City of Sunnyvale could convert a residential street to a Class IIIB bike lane

Ms. Tsang and Mr. Ng addressed the question.

Commissioner Oey commented and asked about the following:

- Thanked staff for the fantastic progress on the projects
- Consider looking into StreetLight Data on how people are moving around the City

Ms. Tsang and Mr. Ng addressed the question.

Commissioner Mehlinger commented on the following:

- Request having presentations in the future as a written progress report not just a Powerpoint slide
- Have item as an agenda item not a study session item so the BPAC commissioners can provide advisory feedback in form of a motion

Chair Mehlman thanked staff for the presentation and all their hard work.

Public Comment opened at 7:41 p.m.

Nick Brosnahan, member of the public commented on the following:

- Strava metrics
- Traffic calming measures - Has the City considered different forms of low speed traffic control such as Roundabouts?
- Can the City try experiments and implement right away to test instead of conducting studies

Public Comment closed at 7:45 p.m.

Chair Mehlman called for a recess at 7:45 p.m. Chair Mehlman reconvened the meeting at 7:55 p.m.

**B**      [22-0846](#)      VTA Measure B Education and Encouragement Potential Projects

Lillian Tsang, Principal Transportation Engineer, gave a presentation on the VTA Measure B Bicycle and Pedestrian Education & Encouragement Program.

Highlighting the following:

- Background
- Measure B Bicycle and Pedestrian Education & Encouragement Program
- Update on FY 21/22 Projects
- FY 21/22 Completed Projects
- Bicycle and Pedestrian Counts
- SRTS Incentive and Giveaway - Examples
- FY 21/22 On-going Projects
- FY 22/23 Proposed Projects

Chair Mehlman asked about the following:

- Funding for Wayfinding sign installation

Ms. Tsang addressed the question.

Commissioner Bonne asked about the following:

- Bike training videos at other city's
- Bike-to-School Day - maybe have it at the beginning of the school year instead of end of school year
- Enforcement catching speeding vehicles and those not obeying stop signs or stop lights

Ms. Tsang addressed the questions.

Commissioner Oey commented and asked about the following:

- Hard to find information on the bicycle valet. Need better advertising
- Using special equipment to do bike counts or existing equipment
- On ground counts very important
- Metric on how effective the incentives have been to encourage students to walk or bike to school
- Sunnyvale staff not participating in bike to work/wherever day
- Bike-to-School Day - have at beginning of the school year
- Having bike/ped education at the high school level

Ms. Tsang addressed the questions.

Vice Chair Beagle asked about the following:

- Education on other types of transportation modes along with bike/ped

Ms. Tsang and Mr. Ng addressed the question.

Public Comment opened at 8:20 p.m.

No speakers.

Public Comment closed at 8:20 p.m.

### **ORAL COMMUNICATIONS**

Public Comment opened at 8:21 p.m.

No speakers.

Public Comment closed at 8:21 p.m.

### **CONSENT CALENDAR**

**1.A**     [22-0830](#)     Approve the Bicycle and Pedestrian Commission Meeting Minutes of July 21, 2022.

Approve the Bicycle and Pedestrian Commission Meeting Minutes of July 21, 2022 as amended.

Commissioner Hafeman moved and Commissioner Oey seconded to approve amended item 1.A.

The amendment was made by Commissioner Hafemen who stated on page 2 that says "Chair Hafeman asked the following" should be "Commissioner Hafeman asked the following".

The amendment carried with the following vote:

**Yes 7 -** Chair Mehlman  
Vice Chair Beagle  
Commissioner Bonne  
Commissioner Davé  
Commissioner Hafeman  
Commissioner Mehlinger  
Commissioner Oey

**No 0**

**1.B**     [22-0842](#)     Approve the Bicycle and Pedestrian Commission Special Meeting Minutes of August 1, 2022.

Approve the Bicycle and Pedestrian Commission Meeting Minutes of August 1, 2022 as submitted.

The motion carried with the following vote:

**Yes 7 -** Chair Mehlman  
Vice Chair Beagle  
Commissioner Bonne  
Commissioner Davé  
Commissioner Hafeman  
Commissioner Mehlinger  
Commissioner Oey

**No 0**

### **PUBLIC HEARINGS/GENERAL BUSINESS**

**2**      [22-0847](#)      Report and Discussion of Recent Santa Clara Valley  
Transportation Authority (VTA) Bicycle and Pedestrian  
Advisory Committee (BPAC) Meeting.

Commissioner Bonne, VTA BPAC Sunnyvale Representative, gave the meeting summary report regarding the following topics:

- Underpass at Blossom Hill Road and 101 - funded by highway funds
- VTA is extending their hours to coincide with the beginning of the school year
- VTA is implementing a public information campaign to highlight safety issues
- Update on Measure B
- Vision Zero Plan funding opportunity due September 12, 2022
- How bicycle education can be implemented and how the public should/could access bicycle education and how VTA can help
  - Bike Eastbay - bike webinar on how to prevent theft of bicycles
  - Silicon Valley Bike Coalition webinar - four main checks on a bicycle
  - Street Smarts Handbook - safe bicycle riding
  - Cycling savvy - training videos
- VTA requests to shift Measure B funds from a Los Gatos location to another location in Los Gatos
- Countywide Transportation Demand Management (TDM) research
  - Traveler rewards program
  - MTC merge – five bay area counties consolidating ride share data
  - Encourage employees to begin own programs for mode shifting
  - On demand mobility to bridge the last mile and first mile
- Timothy Oey voted to remain on the wayfinding committee
- BPAC Work Plan

- Many Countywide programs currently underway
- Recommend project priority for OBAG 3
- Silicon Valley Bicycle Coalition Bike Summit on August 18
- Santa Clara Pruneridge Complete Streets Project

Public Comment opened at 8:41 p.m.

No speakers.

Public Comment closed at 8:41 p.m.

Commissioner Oey commented on the following:

- Silicon Valley Bicycle Coalition has an education page dedicated to education. Go to [bikesiliconvalley.org/programs/education](http://bikesiliconvalley.org/programs/education)

### **STANDING ITEM: CONSIDERATION OF POTENTIAL STUDY ISSUES**

Lillian Tsang, Principal Transportation Engineer, commented on the following:

- Commissioner Mehlinger submitted a Study Issue that will be brought to the September BPAC meeting
- September will be first round of Study Issue Sponsorship - Study Issue form needs to be submitted to staff by August 9
- October BPAC meeting - Study Issue form needs to be submitted to staff by September 13

Commissioner Mehlinger asked if ranking can be done in October instead of September and October? Ms. Tsang stated staff would not have enough time to prepare a write up if ranked in October.

### **NON-AGENDA ITEMS & COMMENTS**

#### **-Commissioner Comments**

Commissioner Oey commented on the following:

- Attended the Silicon Valley Bicycle Summit - very successful, a lot of representation
- E-Bikes
- Green Complete Streets Presentation
- Tons of education information on the Silicon Valley Bicycle Coalition education page



Chair Mehlman commented on the following:

- Saturday, September 10 - 8th annual Bike the Bay Area 2022 starting at the San Francisco Ferry Building. More information at [www.bikethebayarea.com](http://www.bikethebayarea.com)
- Saturday, October 8 - A Day on the Bay Bike to the Bay 2022 starting at Plaza Del Sol. More information at [allevents.in/sunnyvale](http://allevents.in/sunnyvale)

Commissioner Davé asked if you have to have a driver's license to ride an e-scooter. Mr. Ng stated a link will be sent where the vehicle code is that states the rules.

Commissioner Oey commented on the following:

- Sunday, September 18 - Bike to the Future

#### **-Staff Comments**

Lillian Tsang, Principal Transportation Engineer, commented on the following:

- City Council awarded the construction for the Java Drive Road Diet on August 9, 2022
- Caltrain Grade Separation Project will be brought to City Council for consideration on August 30, 2022
- Homestead Road Bike Lane Study will have first online public outreach meeting on August 25 from 6-7 p.m. More information on the City website on the transportation projects page. There is a subscribe button to subscribe to the email list to receive future project updates

#### **INFORMATION ONLY REPORTS/ITEMS**

- [22-0848](#) BPAC 2022 Annual Work Plan
- [22-0849](#) Active Items List August 2022
- [22-0850](#) 2022 Deferred Study Issues
- [22-0851](#) 2023 Proposed Study Issues

#### **ADJOURNMENT**

Chair Mehlman adjourned the meeting at 8:59 p.m.