



City of Sunnyvale

Meeting Minutes - Draft Bicycle and Pedestrian Advisory Commission

Thursday, April 20, 2017

6:30 PM

West Conference Room, City Hall, 456 W.
Olive Ave., Sunnyvale, CA 94086

CALL TO ORDER

Vice Chair Jones called the meeting to order at 6:40 p.m.

ROLL CALL

Present 4 - Vice Chair David Jones
Commissioner John Cordes
Commissioner Timothy Oey
Commissioner Angela Rausch
Absent 2 - Commissioner Margaret Okuzumi
Commissioner Kyle Welch

Status of an absence: Commissioner Welch (excused)
Status of an absence: Commissioner Okuzumi (excused)
Council Liaison attendance: Council Liaison Nancy Smith (absent)

ORAL COMMUNICATIONS

Kevin Jackson, member of the public, spoke about the Valley Transportation Authority (VTA) and Bicycle and Pedestrian Advisory Commission (BPAC) Complete Streets reporting requirements for Measure B projects. He stated that he met with a group of Homestead High School parents interested in improving safety for students at Homestead High School, Cupertino Middle School and West Valley Elementary School. They expressed interest in extending the Los Altos path that runs along Homestead Road into Sunnyvale. It currently stops at the creek and students cannot get across the street.

Mr. Jackson asked if the One Bay Area Grant (OBAG) project status report was available and if so, how does the public get that information.

Mr. Jackson also inquired whether or not the Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) Transition Plan report, which was supposed to be done by the end of March 2017, was completed and if so, is that information available for review.

CONSENT CALENDAR

- 1.a** [17-0314](#) Approve the Bicycle and Pedestrian Advisory Commission Meeting Minutes of March 16, 2017

Commissioner Cordes moved to approve the Bicycle and Pedestrian Advisory Commission Meeting Minutes of March 16, 2017, with the following amendment: Move the General Business commentary after item 2 instead of before.

Commissioner Oey seconded the motion. The motion carried by the following vote:

Yes 4 - Vice Chair Jones
 Commissioner Cordes
 Commissioner Oey
 Commissioner Rausch

No 0

Absent 2 - Commissioner Okuzumi
 Commissioner Welch

PUBLIC HEARINGS/GENERAL BUSINESS

- 2.** [17-0473](#) TDA Funding Recommendation - Mary Avenue Phase 2

Shahid Abbas, Transportation Traffic Manager for the City of Sunnyvale, reported that the Mary Avenue Phase 2 project was estimated at \$885,500 which leaves a short fall of \$283,500 to complete the project. Therefore, he is requesting the Commission to approve using \$131,140 of the new Transportation Development Act (TDA) funding, which will be available in June, to go towards the Mary Avenue Bike Lake Phase 2 project. There will still be a short fall of \$152,360 but Mr. Abbas said that money can be recovered from the Traffic Impact Fees (TIF). Mr. Abbas requested the Commission to redirect/rescind the original recommendation of TDA funds to make this proposal the new recommendation. He needs to have the approval to the Metropolitan Transportation Commission (MTC) by May 21. It will go to Council on May 16.

Mr. Jackson inquired about the balance of the TIF funds. Mr. Abbas did not have that information. Mr. Jackson suggested keeping the original recommendation in place and if there is any leftover funding, that should be used for the Mary Avenue project.

Commissioner Oey moved and Commissioner Rausch Seconded the motion to use the TDA funds as originally recommended. Commissioner Cordes offered a friendly amendment to find the necessary funds to finish the Mary Avenue project from TIF. If those fees are not available, then the Commission agrees the next best alternative is to redirect the TDA funds from the projects listed in the prior meeting

to the Mary Avenue project.

Commissioner Oey and Commissioner Rausch accepted the friendly amendment.
The motion carried by the following vote:

Yes 4 - Vice Chair Jones
Commissioner Cordes
Commissioner Oey
Commissioner Rausch

No 0

Absent 2 - Commissioner Okuzumi
Commissioner Welch

3. [17-0309](#) Provide a Recommendation to City Council for the Design Development of Fair Oaks Bike Lanes and Streetscape Project

Thanh Nguyen, Civil Engineer with the City of Sunnyvale and Michael Fisher, with CSG Consultants, conducted a presentation on the Fair Oaks Avenue Bike Lanes and Streetscape Project. The current goal is to finish design in 2017 and have it completed in 2018. The main objective is to incorporate the Complete Streets principles to connect Fair Oaks Avenue from US 101 to Old San Francisco Road with bicycle amenities and incorporate safe and efficient travel for all bicycles and connectivity from schools and parks. It will consist of 3 segments. The first will be from Old San Francisco Road to Evelyn Avenue. The second will be from Kifer Road to Arques Avenue. The third will be from Wolfe Road to Ahwanee Avenue.

Commissioner Cordes asked why the Arques Avenue to Wolfe Road segment is considered a future project instead of a current one. Mr. Abbas responded by saying it was not in the scope of work for the first phase of the project, but it is in the scope of work for the second phase.

For Segment 1, Mr. Fisher explained that there are 4 alternatives. Alternative A would have Class II bike lanes with parking removal. Alternative B would retain parking and install Class III shared bike lane markings (sharrows). Alternative C would have part time Class II bike lanes and parking. Alternative D would be no project.

For Segment 2, Mr. Fisher explained that there are 3 alternatives. Alternative A would have Class III bike lanes (sharrows) between Kifer Road and California Avenue and Class II bike lanes between California Avenue and Arques Avenue. Alternative B would have Class III bike lanes (sharrows) between Kifer Road and

Arques Avenue. Alternative C would be no project.

For Segment 3, Mr. Fisher explained that there are 3 alternatives. Alternative A would have Class III bike lanes (sharrows). Alternative B would remove one southbound lane to install Class II bike lanes. Alternative C would be no project.

At the Community meeting held on November 9, 2016, 12 members of public attended. At the Community meeting on January 18, 2017, 22 members of public attended. Most the attendees were in favor of doing no project.

Mr. Fisher presented staff recommendation of Alternative B for Segment 1, Alternative B for Segment 2, and Alternative A for Segment 3.

Commissioner Oey moved to accept:

Segment 1 – Design Alternative A

Segment 2 – Design Alternative A

Segment 3 – Design Alternative A

Vice Chair Jones seconded the motion.

The motion carried by the following vote:

Yes 4 - Vice Chair Jones
Commissioner Cordes
Commissioner Oey
Commissioner Rausch

No 0

Absent 2 - Commissioner Okuzumi
Commissioner Welch

4. [17-0465](#) Election of Officers

Mr. Abbas presented the options to the Commissioners.

Vice Chair Jones opened the floor to nominations.

Commissioner Rausch nominated Commissioner Cordes for Chair.

The motion carried by the following vote:

Yes 3 - Vice Chair Jones
Commissioner Oey
Commissioner Rausch

No 0

Absent 2 - Commissioner Okuzumi
Commissioner Welch

Abstain 1 - Commissioner Cordes

STANDING ITEM: CONSIDERATION OF POTENTIAL STUDY ISSUES

Commissioner Oey would like to see a better solution for trash cans blocking bike lanes on trash pick up days. Commissioner Cordes requested to have a discussion of the potential study issue on the May agenda.

Commissioner Cordes would also like to develop and maintain a data base for projects

Commissioner Cordes would like start the Work Plan earlier earlier than it is currently being done.

Mr. Abbas stated he would look into both issues before discussing as potential study issues.

NON-AGENDA ITEMS & COMMENTS

-Commissioner Comments

-Staff Comments

Mr. Abbas stated they have received an initial draft of the ADA Transition Plan and that it is currently being reviewed by the attorney.

He also stated the Complete Streets Policy VTA discussed has not been finalized yet, but Sunnyvale has their policy, which is acceptable to MTC.

Mr. Abbas also stated they received grant funding for various projects. Most of which are pedestrian and bicycle related. And that the City Council approved green bike lanes for 6 or 7 locations and they are going out to bid. He added that although green bike lanes are easy to install, they are difficult to maintain.

Ralph Garcia, Senior Transportation Engineer, asked the Commissioners if they were going to be attending Sunnyvale Bike to Work Day. All Commissioners have other obligations that day.

Mr. Abbas mentioned he will have copies of the new 2017 Bike map available on Bike to Work Day. He also indicated that they hope to include the updates to the Safe Routes to School Plan and the Pedestrian Safety Plan at the same time.

INFORMATION ONLY REPORTS/ITEMS

- [17-0464](#) BPAC 2017 Annual Work Plan
- [17-0467](#) Bike to Work Day Planning
- [17-0478](#) Active Items List - April 2017

ADJOURNMENT

Vice Chair Jones adjourned the meeting at 8:30 p.m.