



# City of Sunnyvale

## Meeting Minutes - Draft

### Bicycle and Pedestrian Advisory Commission

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Thursday, September 19, 2019

6:30 PM

Council Chambers, City Hall, 456 W. Olive  
Ave., Sunnyvale, CA 94086

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#### **CALL TO ORDER**

Chair Mehlinger called the meeting to order at 6:33 p.m.

#### **SALUTE TO THE FLAG**

Chair Mehlinger led the salute to the flag.

#### **ROLL CALL**

**Present 6 -** Chair Richard Mehlinger  
Vice Chair John Cordes  
Commissioner Dan Hafeman  
Commissioner Leia Mehlman  
Commissioner Timothy Oey  
Commissioner Scott Swail

Council member Gustav Larsson(absent)

#### **ORAL COMMUNICATIONS**

#### **CONSENT CALENDAR**

**1.A**      [19-0941](#)      Approve the Bicycle and Pedestrian Advisory Commission Meeting  
Minutes of August 15,2019.

Approve the Bicycle and Pedestrian Advisory Commission Meeting Minutes of  
August 15,2019 as submitted.

The motion carried by the following vote:

**Yes** 6 - Chair Mehlinger  
Vice Chair Cordes  
Commissioner Hafeman  
Commissioner Mehlman  
Commissioner Oey  
Commissioner Swail

**No** 0

## **PUBLIC HEARINGS/GENERAL BUSINESS**

**2.**      [19-0976](#)      Report and Discussion of Recent VTA BPAC Meeting

Dave Simons, VTA BPAC Representative, provides updates on recent VTA BPAC meeting.

Dave Simons, VTA BPAC Representative, gave the meeting summary report regarding the following topics:

- VTA Measure B Bicycle/Pedestrian Competitive Grant Program criteria has been finalized and is going to the VTA board for approval on Oct.3, 2019
- Feedback from BPAC is encouraged in regards to the MTC Complete Streets Checklist
- Viva Calle in San Jose on Sunday, September 22

Commissioner Cordes asked what the vote was for the competitive grant program and if there is still a chance it can be overturned.

Chair Mehlinger asked for the MTC Complete Streets Checklist to be sent to BPAC.

Lillian Tsang, Principal Transportation Engineer/Planner informed the BPAC commission that they can find the checklist on the MTC website.

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

**3.**      [19-0979](#)      BPAC 2020 Study Issue Sponsorship (Scenario 1)

To review the list of potential study issues and vote on sponsorship for each individually listed study issue.

Lillian Tsang, Principal Transportation Engineer/Planner asked that each Commissioner review the list of each potential Study Issue and vote on sponsorship for each individual listed Study Issue. To get formal sponsorship on each listed individual Study Issue there needs to be a motion, a second and a majority vote. Chair Mehlinger summarized the three Study Issues, which are Improve Bicycle and Pedestrian Access at the Sunnyvale Caltrain Station, El Camino Protected Bike Lanes and the Evelyn Avenue Multi-use Trail and Bike Lane Study.

Mr. Simons commented on the El Camino Protected Bike Lanes Project and recommended making this study issue a high priority.

Commissioner Oey recommended deferring the Study Issues and combine them with the Active Transportation Plan(ATP).

Vice Chair Cordes explained that two of the study issues are back-ups in case ATP does not consider it. Vice Chair Cordes recommended moving the Study Issues forward and then wait to see if they end up on the ATP.

Chair Mehlinger and Vice Chair Cordes expressed their concerns regarding access to the Sunnyvale Caltrain Station.

Vice Chair Cordes moved and Commissioner Oey seconded to move to adopt Study Issue #1 which is to Improve Bicycle and Pedestrian Access to the Sunnyvale Caltrain Station.

The motion carried by the following vote:

**Yes 5 -** Chair Mehlinger  
Vice Chair Cordes  
Commissioner Hafeman  
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Commissioner Oey

**No 1 -** Commissioner Swail

Commissioner Swail moved and Commissioner Oey seconded to adopt Study Issue #2, El Camino Real Protected Bike lanes. Vice Chair Cordes made a friendly amendment to change the wording from Protected Bike Lanes to Protected Bikeways.

The motion carried by the following vote:

**Yes 6 -** Chair Mehlinger  
Vice Chair Cordes  
Commissioner Hafeman  
Commissioner Mehlman  
Commissioner Oey  
Commissioner Swail

**No 0**

Commissioner Mehlman moved and Commissioner Oey seconded to adopt Study Issue #3, Evelyn Avenue Multi-Use Trail and Bike Lane Study. Chair Mehlinger made a friendly amendment to change the following:

- The title to Evelyn Avenue Multi-Use Trail and Bikeway Study.
- The first sentence in the summary of scope to Class 1 Multi-Use path and/or Class IV Bikeway on Evelyn Avenue from Bernardo Avenue to Aster Avenue
- Remove the sentence starting with "In addition, the Study would....."
- Replace "bike lane" to "bikeway"

The motion carried by the following vote:

**Yes 6 -** Chair Mehlinger  
Vice Chair Cordes  
Commissioner Hafeman  
Commissioner Mehlman  
Commissioner Oey  
Commissioner Swail

**No 0**

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

#### **-Commissioner Comments**

Commissioner Oey commented on the following:

- San Jose Viva Calle on Sunday, September 22, 2019.
- Employed as an event coordinator for the Silicone Valley Bicycle Coalition.
- Cupertino Bike Fest on September 28, 2019.
- Looking forward to hearing more about the Stevens Creek Trail and what the City

Council decides in regards to funding for that project.

Vice Chair Cordes commented on the following:

- City of Cupertino City Council directed staff to move forward with the design of the Regnart Creek Trail.
- On September 29, 2019 there will be a Bike Palo Alto event from 1-3 p.m.
- Asked staff what is the status of the letter that was requested that the City send to the County.
- VTA is completing the Tasman Drive Complete Streets Corridor Study with bike and pedestrian improvement recommendations for the four cities(Santa Clara, Sunnyvale, San Jose and Milpitas). More information can be found on the VTA website.

Commissioner Hafeman commented on the following:

- Expressed concern of not having sidewalks on Tasman Drive between Fair Oaks Avenue and Lawrence Expressway and would like to know what are the City's plans to put in sidewalks.

Commissioner Mehlman commented on the following:

- On September 22, 2019, there is the Niles Canyon Stroll and Roll in Fremont.
- Attended a meeting about the proposed 6.5 acre park.

Chair Mehlinger commented on the following:

- The City's Active Transportation Plan(ATP) is ongoing and being developed by Alta Planning. Email BPAC@sunnyvale.ca.gov for questions, feedback or comments.

#### **-Staff Comments**

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

- The Public Input Map and online survey for ATP is online and will be open until October 16, 2019.
- Community meeting for Caltrain Electrification Project is on October 10, 2019 between 6-7 p.m. at Washington Park building.
- Provided annual Measure B funding amount that Sunnyvale will receive.
- Downtown Specific Plan Amendment is not completed yet.
- Bay Trail will be re-open in the middle of October.
- Updates on projects will be provided at the monthly meetings.
- City provides updates on long term Capital Improvement Projects on the City

website.

**INFORMATION ONLY REPORTS/ITEMS**

[19-0977](#) BPAC 2019 Annual Work Plan

Ms. Tsang stated there will be a second round of sponsorship in October.

[19-0978](#) Active Items List - September 2019

**ADJOURNMENT**

Chair Mehlinger adjourned the meeting at 7:25 p.m.