



City of Sunnyvale

Meeting Minutes Bicycle and Pedestrian Advisory Commission

Thursday, May 21, 2015

6:30 PM

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

CALL TO ORDER

Vice Chair Jackson called the meeting to order at 6:39 p.m. in the West Conference Room.

ROLL CALL

Present 6 - Commissioner Kevin Jackson
Vice Chair John Cordes
Commissioner Richard Kolber
Commissioner Margaret Okuzumi
Commissioner Angela Rausch
Commissioner Kyle Welch

Absent 1 - Chair David Jones

Chair Jones' absence is provisionally excused.
Council Liaison Jim Griffith (absent)

PUBLIC ANNOUNCEMENTS

Commissioner Cordes announced the Sunnyvale Neighbors of Arbor Including La Linda (SNAIL) Neighborhood Association yard sale to be held on June 13 and 14 at 810 Carolina Avenue.

Commissioner Welch reported on the success of the Neighborhood Dumpster Day Freecycle event which included support from Bay Area BikeMobile. Mr. Welch also announced the upcoming Sunnyvale Public Library Bike Festival on May 23 as well as the Wipeout Cancer Sports Day for Charity event at San Jose State University on July 25. Welch also discussed the possibility of San Jose Mayor, Sam Liccardo, promoting the Vision Zero plan, which moves toward zero traffic deaths and provides safe streets for all, at the Wipeout Cancer event.

Vice Chair Jackson announced the upcoming community meeting for the Mathilda Avenue Plan Line on May 28. Mr. Jackson also shared the volunteer opportunity at the last Bike Rodeo of the school year which takes place at Ellis Elementary on June 2.

Hannah Levin, AP Environmental Science student at Mountain View High School, introduced herself. Ms. Levin stated that she is attending local meetings for a project and plans to write a report on how people voice their opinions and how the community works on environmental issues within the city.

CONSENT CALENDAR

Commissioner Kolber moved and Commissioner Welch seconded the motion to approve the consent calendar. The motion carried by the following vote:

Yes 6 - Commissioner Jackson
Vice Chair Cordes
Commissioner Kolber
Commissioner Okuzumi
Commissioner Rausch
Commissioner Welch

No 0

Absent 1 - Chair Jones

- 1 A.** [15-0541](#) Draft Minutes of the Bicycle and Pedestrian Advisory
Commission Meeting of April 16, 2015

1 B. [15-0542](#) 2015 Work Plan

PUBLIC COMMENTS

None.

PUBLIC HEARINGS/GENERAL BUSINESS

2. [15-0543](#) Review of the Detailed Two-Year Budget

Vice Chair Jackson expressed concern that Study Issue DPW 15-04, Full Time Bike Lanes on Homestead Road, is not listed on Figure 8. Proposed Budget Supplements as the Study Issue states “Will seek budget supplement.” Traffic and Transportation Manager Shahid Abbas stated that the supplement is not needed as the study is underway.

Commissioner Okuzumi expressed concern regarding the budget supplement for Study Issue DPW 15-03, Becoming Silver Level in the League of American Bicyclists, going towards hiring a consultant. Traffic and Transportation Manager Abbas stated that staff is in the process of writing a Request for Proposals for the study.

Vice Chair Jackson expressed concern that the Recommended Budget states the Transportation Development Act (TDA) Fund for FY 2014/15 totals about \$850,000 while Commissioners were given the total of \$108,000. Traffic and Transportation Manager Abbas stated he would look into it.

Vice Chair Jackson suggested that when doing any street pavement maintenance contract the Street Space Allocation policies should be considered because bike accommodations could be added if not there already.

MOTION: Commissioner Welch moved and Commissioner Okuzumi seconded the motion to recommend to City Council that the backlog of sidewalk repair compromises the safety, convenience, and accessibility requirements of pedestrians with disabilities, therefore the City should expedite the repairs of sidewalks. The motion carried by the following vote:

Yes 6 - Commissioner Jackson
 Vice Chair Cordes
 Commissioner Kolber
 Commissioner Okuzumi
 Commissioner Rausch
 Commissioner Welch

No 0

Absent 1 - Chair Jones

NON-AGENDA ITEMS & COMMENTS

-Commissioner Comments

Commissioner Welch shared Google's North Bayshore Bicycle Access Vision Plan which aims to double the number of its employees bicycling to work and to increase the level of comfort for cyclists on City streets.

Commissioner Cordes inquired about the follow up on items that required action from staff and asked if those items could be broken out in the minutes so they are easier to track. Traffic and Transportation Manager Abbas stated that items needing staff action would be discussed during Staff Comments. Cordes inquired if citizens can provide feedback on the City's budget and Traffic and Transportation Manager Abbas stated that there's a link on the City website.

Commissioner Kolber discussed the goal of having bicycle route connectivity.

Commissioner Okuzumi discussed her proposal to have Silicon Valley Bicycle Coalition present their Vision Zero plan template in the October meeting, during which the discussion with the City's Department of Public Safety on reducing cyclist, pedestrian, and motor vehicle crashes would also occur. Okuzumi announced meetings for the Valley Transportation Authority (VTA) Countywide Bicycle Plan update are upcoming. Okuzumi also requested that Commissioner-led presentations on Buffered Bike Lane Standards and Bollards/Chicanes on Off-Street Paths be included on the agenda for June and/or July. Traffic and Transportation Manager Abbas stated both presentations could be scheduled for June but deferred to July if needed.

Vice Chair Jackson proposed a possible Study Issue on parking prohibitions at the entrances and exits of bicycle and pedestrian pathways. Jackson also stated that the Study Issues for DPW 15-03 and DPW 15-04 are not listed on the Tentative Council Meeting Agenda Calendar.

-Staff Comments

Traffic and Transportation Manager Abbas commented on the success of Bike to Work Day and informed commissioners that the updated policy for Boards and Commissions would be emailed to them.

Commissioner Welch requested that there be a pop-up canopy at the energizer station at Wolfe and El Camino at the next Bike to Work Day so that the station is more visible and offers shade and/or coverage if it rains.

Traffic and Transportation Manager Abbas informed commissioners that the requested links are on the BPAC webpage, that staff is not allowed to ask for funding for events, with the exception of National Night Out, and that the City is not required to complete a Metropolitan Transportation Commission (MTC) Routine Accommodation check list for grant applications.

Commissioner Cordes stated his name is spelled incorrectly on the BPAC webpage.

INFORMATION ONLY REPORTS/ITEMS

Commissioner Okuzumi and Vice Chair Jackson asked about the amount of funding needed and the projected availability of funds for the Bernardo Caltrain Undercrossing project. Traffic and Transportation Manager Abbas stated he would check with Director of Public Works Manuel Pineda.

[15-0544](#) Bike and Pedestrian Projects

[15-0545](#) Park Dedication Fund Project List

[15-0546](#) Active Items List

ADJOURNMENT

Vice Chair Jackson adjourned the meeting at 8:08 p.m.