

**Minutes of a Regular Meeting of the Bicycle Pedestrian Advisory Committee
February 2, 2015**

1. Roll Call (Chair), Introductions:

Present: Tom Modic, Chair, Laura McCamy, Ken Bukowski, David Kritzberg, Celeste Burrows, members; Mike Roberts, Nancy Humphrey, Marcy Greenhut, Public Works; Sara Billing, Planning Dept.; Richard Ambro, Joyce Jacobson, Commission on Aging; Cynthia Armour, Bike East Bay. Absent: Betsy Cooley (excused, resigned), Brian Donahue, Svante Rodegard, (resigned)

2. Public Comment about items not on the Agenda: None

3. Discussion/Action Items:

- a. **Approval of Minutes for Jan. 5, 2015:** Approved.
- b. **City Sponsorship of Bike to Work Day:** Staff Greenhut and Humphrey reviewed proposed City sponsorship of Bike to Work Day, May 14, 2015. A request, the same as for 2014, for \$3000 for Bike East Bay, is going to Council Feb. 3rd for approval, along with an additional \$1000 for staff to spend on t-shirts, give-aways, refreshments, etc.. It was moved (McCamy), seconded (Burrows), voted 5-0 in favor of the proposed sponsorship going to Council.
- c. **Bus stop bench report:** Staff Humphrey reviewed plans for new bus benches on Christie @ Trader Joes, Park Ave at IHOP, 65th St. at Hollis St and Christie at Black Diamond Cafe. Benches are to be completed this summer, with the exception, possibly of the Christie @ Trader Joe's bus bench, which would be completed along with the Bay Trail bikeway project (between Powell St. and Shellmound, work to begin in a few months) BPAC moved (McCamy), seconded (Burrows), passed 5-0, in favor of the planned installations and that where possible/feasible the City should install shelters and lighting when installing and expanding bus benches; or currently proposed benches should be built in such a way that shelters and lighting can be installed at a later date. Also, BPAC moved (Burrows), seconded (Kritzberg), vote 5-0, that additional benches, and shelters where feasible, be added at 40th and Hollis St., both directions; a bench inside the existing shelter on Hollis at 53rd St., and Christie at Shellmound (Kinko's) southbound. Member Bukowski stated that if advertising was accepted the City could afford more bus benches and shelters.

Additional off-agenda bus bench subject: Joyce updated the group about Emery Go Round stop inside MacArthur BART station, where there are no benches and the stop is far from the entrance to the station. She reports the BART promised installation of bench(es) by the end of this month, and if that doesn't happen, contact BART. Also, Commission on Aging members will attend the TMA Board mtg. to request the stop be moved closer to the entrance. BART reports wanting to separate EGR stops from the hospital shuttles, and BPAC member Burrows agreed with this. Joyce suggested the stop can be moved closer to the entrance, nonetheless, and asked members to track this. Joyce will send contact information to staff Greenhut for distribution to the list.

Richard mentioned EGR stop at Berkeley Bowl, staff referred him to City of Berkeley.

4. Communications and Reports:

- a. **City Staff Communications and Reports:**
 - i. **Planning Dept.:** Staff Billing reports the following: the EBOTS study was approved by Council. 3706 San Pablo was approved by Planning Commission. Public Comment period for the Sherwin Williams Project EIR was extended to Feb. 27, 2015. Comments for this project should to Miroo Desai at mdesai@emeryville.org. The Shell Station on the corner of Frontage Rd and Powell St. is nearing completion and opening. New amenities as part of this project include a bike rack, a bike fix-it station, improved landscaping, and a way-finding map of the Bay Trail and surrounding area.
 - ii. **Bike Share update:** Staff Humphrey reports staff continue to work to get Emeryville included in an East Bay Bike Share program. Currently the plan includes Berkeley and

Oakland; Emeryville will attempt to be included in the next phase of a regional Bike Share service, considering private funding as well as government funding. Cynthia, w/ Bike East Bay offered her support and asked to be kept informed.

- iii. **Public Works project tracking update:** Staff Humphrey reviewed the project tracking sheet (attached).

5. New Business for Next Regular BPAC meeting March 5, 2015:

- a. Items from the "Future" agenda list were reviewed. (see amended list below)
To be placed on the March 2015 agenda: Brian Donahue's 45th Street Traffic Count item (from last month); a review of anticipated Public Works repaving projects (Mike will bring the re-paving schedule to next meeting); the pedestrian "Bay Trail" crossing of Christie at Powell St. (heading from west to east). The westbound approach to the 40th St. bridge, being in need of a re-do (re-striping and raised dots), to direct cars to avoid the bike lane, was discussed and is on the City's street maintenance schedule, per Mike Roberts; but Mike recommends including it on March's agenda for action to be taken and advanced to the Transportation Committee. If planning project(s) will be added to the agenda, a decision to adjust time and/or delay an item may take place. The following items were deleted from the list: Cycletrack east side of Shellmound St., Horton St. traffic calming, Make approach to Bay Bridge Trail more bike friendly, NACTO Webinar, Bike parking design @ new & existing projects. Use of lighter pavement, also deleted, was considered a "global warming"/Climate Action Plan discussion, not for BPAC.

- BPAC member Burrows announced the Transform Summit in Sacramento coming up in April.

6. Adjournment @ 7:20 p.m.

Suggested FUTURE Agenda Items for the BPAC

Date added

8/27/14

- "What is an appropriate speed limit on a bicycle boulevard?" (Modic)

7/7/14

- 40th St. bridge approach for bikes and vehicles (McCamy);
- Bike parking in the Marina (Bukowski);
- City Bike ride (Bukowski)

6/2/14

- Bay Trail crossing of Christie Ave.
- Walkability scoring- Laura McCamy offered to lead discussion.

5/8/14

- Parking Day: agendize for June 2015
- Modifying Bike To Work Day for 2015: Bags per station; Frontage Rd. Station; How to get it all ready and to the Energizer Stations on time (by 7:00 a.m.) (by subcommittee)

10/25/13

- Lighter Colored Pavements: revisit
- Sidewalk Bike Riding Ordinance
- Modification of 61st Street Between Doyle and Vallejo Streets – One way to two way
- Saving the Bike Ped Bridge (Bukowski)
- Height of vegetation in streetscapes where vision may be obstructed – Rodegard
- 65th Street Bay Bridge Take off
- Art Bike Tour

- Use of green paint to increase safety at intersections, as in Oakland (Robert Prinz)
- Green Bike Pavement markings at Hazard Locations (Prinz)

11/4/2013

- Staff provide notices to BPAC of anticipated repaving (for discussion)
- Appending the Ped/Bike Plan: how to do it, is it necessary? (McCamy)

2/3/13

- See Click Fix: implementation is under way for City to join
- Bicycle and pedestrian accommodations during construction (McCamy)