

BPAC Minutes
May 1, 2017

Meeting called to order by Chair Tom Modic at 5:40 p.m, when quorum achieved.

1. Roll Call: Present: BPAC members McCamy, (arrival 5:40) Kritzberg, Burrows, Chair Modic; Staff: PW O'Connell, Humphrey, Greenhut; Planning Oaks; City Clerk Hartz. Excused absence Guerrero. Public: Robert Prinz, Rob Arias. Point of order (Humphrey): 33% missed meetings per (calendar) year allowed and absences should be noted. Bukowski arrived 6:10 p.m. and left at 6:50. Councilmember Medina arrived 6:00 and left at 7:45. Sgt. Joel Hannon was absent.
2. Public Comment:
 - Rob Arias announced he has applied to be a BPAC member and spoke on his behalf, requested BPAC members speak on his behalf. Staff pointed out that June 5th Council meeting is where & when to speak on one's own behalf to Council, who will appoint members for the 2017-18 year (not BPAC).
 - Robert Prinz announced bike ride & grand opening celebration of the Bay Bridge path being open all days of the week, with a bike ride starting at the Bridge Yard building @ 9 a.m. tomorrow May 2nd. Oakland elected officials including the Mayor and the transportation director will be there for the event at the new Vista Point welcome center on Yerba Buena Island.
3. Approval of March 6, 2017 meeting minutes- (No meeting in April due to lack of quorum). Members reviewed and approved the minutes (by acclamation) as written.

BPAC member McCamy agenda review and suggestion to move Bay St. agenda item to the end of Action Items, in case there isn't sufficient time and since member Guerrero isn't present. Chair agreed.
4. Action Items
 - 4.1 New Advisory Committee Procedures and Rules Passed by City Council were reviewed with the City Clerk, Shari Hartz, who was present to answer questions. Discussion of various points among members. Highlighted was the item about public comment, to be taken after discussion of agenda items, in a more formalized approach, rather than being considered as casual conversation. Decision/action should be taken after public comment. A new feature of the application process is that incumbents who apply can now just check a box indicating that nothing has changed from their last application. The application deadline for the new term is June 5th. Terms will be staggered this time, with Council suggesting that re-appointed incumbents have a one-year term, while the new appointees would have a 2-year term. There is a page link for "Applying", on the Local Boards page on the City website. City Clerk Hartz called out the new Rule that 1) committee members must give 24-hour notice if they won't be attending a committee meeting, and 2) committee members cannot be absent more than 33% of meetings, regardless of whether they give 24 hours' notice. Members discussed increasing the number of BPAC members, but with quorum being 50% + 1, there will be a larger number of members required for attendance.
 - 4.2 Ped/Bike Plan Revisions and Update from Staff: Following up on a past meeting agenda item, Planning Staff Oaks explained that making changes or adding projects to the Ped/Bike Plan would require a Plan update process that is not covered by the current budget, would require public outreach, and would take at least a year. Comparatively, projects within the existing plan can be reprioritized without this process. Concern was raised that, without an update, the City may lose opportunities for funding projects that are

not currently in the Plan. Staff discussed that prioritizing a Ped/Bike Plan update now would remove staff and resources from projects that are already under way and that are included in the existing plan, and that the City can participate in studies regarding Ped/Bike infrastructure projects, even if those projects aren't explicitly covered in the Ped/Bike Plan. A vote was taken: M/S/P: McCamy/Burrows, 5-0, to put the priorities for the Ped Bike Plan on the June meeting agenda with a minimum of 30 minutes.

4.3 Bike to Work Day Update and Planning: Staff Greenhut distributed a plan sheet and provided a summary of highlights.

4.4 Horton Landing Park Bike Ped Path Design review: Staff Oaks presented plans for the path as it is planned for the Sherwin Williams project (SW), and the path planned for the City Horton Landing Park. She walked everyone through the plans and explained that the City plan for 2 separate 2' decomposed granite (DG) pedestrian paths on either side of the paved bike path would need to be modified to match the SW 4' path on one side of the paved portion, if BPAC preferred that design. Discussion among BPAC members, vote to put DG all on one side, 4' wide. M/S/P Modic/Bukowski, 5-0.

4.5 Review Bay St. Shopping Center Site Assessment or Potential Future Bike Facilities April 3, 2017. BPAC members McCamy, Burrows and staff Oaks reported bike facilities such as bike racks, lockers, bike rental store and a bike "station" using "Bike Link" technology were considered. General Manager Nat Centeno ruled out permitting cyclists to lock up to parking meters. Oaks and McCamy offered to send him info about various bicycle rides, parking and locking options, which they will do soon.

5. Information Items/Staff Announcements:

5.1 Traffic Collision Statistics: Sgt. Joel Hannon absent. No report made.

5.2 Planning Dept. Report: Oaks reported back about the April Planning Commission, considering different aspects of the Sherwin Williams project and Public Market project directional signage.

5.3 Public Works Dept. Report: Staff Humphrey updated projects, no major changes. Bike Share stations reported and timeline end of July- beginning of August, with 10 stations initially. A launch event is suggested for June 21st, for which the mayor's presence is sought; Councilmember Medina agreed to speak with the Mayor. Greenway crossings treatments will begin next year, and vehicle counting equipment for bike boulevards may be purchased. Humphrey answered questions about other projects.

Staff O'Connell reports that updates to traffic signals will be completed in late summer/early fall, when any remaining signals with loop detection will be switched over to video detection, and video detectors will be upgraded as needed.

O'Connell reviewed the striping plan, as part of the late summer/early fall paving/slurry project. Multiple locations around the City will receive upgraded bike facility treatment. O'Connell noted comments and suggestions from BPAC members and Bike East Bay representative Prinz, including a suggestion that there be a "policy" for using green pavement markings.

5.4 Announcements: BPAC Vacancy Applicants- Staff Greenhut announced that there have been four applicants for the current vacancy. Council will make that appointment at their May 16th Council meeting. For the term-ending vacancies of all BPAC members, ending June 30th, there is currently a single applicant, application deadline for which is June 5th. Council will make appointments for the full BPAC at their June 20th meeting. BPAC

members were notified that they must apply through the same process as any other applicant, but they can check off a box on the application stating that nothing has changed since their original application, to avoid entering all information again. There is a webpage on the City website, dedicated to applying for an Advisory Committee position:
<http://emeryville.org/917/Applying-to-a-City-Board-Commission-Comm>

6. Future Agenda Items:

6.1 Review existing list and revise- Staff Greenhut reported that Planning Dept. will bring the Sherwin Williams project back to the BPAC at the June 3rd meeting. BPAC added the increase of the committee size from 7 to 9 members, M/S/P McCamy/Burrows 4-0. BPAC also added Bike Plan review with 30 minutes. (per item # 4.2 above) Staff will, at BPAC request, provide a report about Bike to Work Day.

7. Member Announcements/Comments: Love our Neighborhood Day was discussed, as it appears not to be occurring this year due to loss of funding from the City of Oakland. Question about counting bikes on Bike to Work Day: should all be counted or only those at the Station? Answer: Count them all.

8. Meeting adjourned at 7:53 p.m.