

City of Emeryville
Bicycle Pedestrian Advisory Committee
Minutes for Regular Meeting
April 2, 2018

1. Meeting called to order at 5:32 p.m.
2. Roll Call: BPAC Chair Miguel Guerrero; BPAC members Jaclyn Harr, Ken Bukowski, Laura McCamy, Tom Modic, David Krtizberg. Absent: Arias, Burrows, Lovett-Harris. Staff: Planning: Diana Keena, Navarre Oaks. Police Dept.: Lt. Mike Allen. PW Dept.: Ryan O'Connell, Marcy Greenhut. Council Liaison: Ally Medina. Guests: Robert Prinz, Bike East Bay; Monica Hamlett, Color Wheel Bicycle Shop.
3. Public Comment: Monica from Color Wheel Bicycle Shop announced an event they are holding and handed out flyers for the event. Robert from Bike East Bay announced a Bike Class for Emery Go Round drivers was held and well-attended Saturday March 31st, organized by City Staff and Bike East Bay. Member McCamy made announcements, early since she may leave early, one that traffic volume and speed has increased on Doyle St. and 55th St., asking how City can counter app "Waze" which directs traffic to formerly s/lower-traffic areas.
4. Approval of Minutes:
 - 4.1 February 5, 2018 Regular Meeting Draft Action Minutes: Still unable to approve because a quorum of members who had been present at that meeting were not present at this meeting.
 - 4.2 March 5, 2018 Regular Meeting Draft Action Minutes: Moved/Seconded/Passed (M/S/P) to approve minutes as written by Modic/Harr/6-0.
5. Action Items
 - 5.1 Construction Policies Signage and more: BPAC member McCamy introduced discussion of bike-ways being blocked during construction. She shared City of Oakland's policies, both online and paper handout. She inquired with Public Works staff O'Connell about Emeryville's process. He described the City of Emeryville's process which requires contractors to complete an Encroachment Permit when the public right of way will be impacted. This includes specific guidelines for impacting bicycle facilities, signage, warnings, and includes more pointed instructions when it's known to Engineer staff that a bicycle facility will be impacted. O'Connell explained that Traffic Control plans must be enforced. The City Inspector, tasked with enforcement of these requirements, may not be able to catch all violations as they are responsible for multiple projects. If found to be in violation of these guidelines a project may be shut down as a consequence. O'Connell confirmed that signs blocking the bike lane may be reported to Engage Emeryville (SeeClickFix) online. Public Robert Prinz reports that the Oakland guidelines were to establish a prioritization of modes for protection during construction. O'Connell reports that violations are recorded and noted for future permitting considerations of the same contractor. CA MUTCD Section 6 Manual for Uniform Control Devices is the reference used by City of Emeryville. McCamy wants different "Share the Road" signs, suggesting the ones used in Emeryville aren't clear enough. Sections 6D, F,G,H of the MUTCH cover Temporary Traffic Control to review for future discussion. To be added to Future Agenda Items, O'Connell to provide sample Encroachment Permit referencing MUTCD to McCamy and McCamy will return with specific suggestions based on City of Oakland's guidelines.

5.2 P.D. Collision report: Lt. Allen presented a collision report (as attached to agenda for this meeting), discussed by BPAC members. Lt. Allen reports that the P.D. has changed to a new computer system that hasn't been able to compile all the same info as the former system. Also, the P.D. Crime Analyst position has been terminated making analysis limited at this time. A new Traffic Control Officer will be hired in July 2018, however, which will help with enforcement. BPAC members voiced interest in collision reports making it to Public Works staff to indicate locations for potential traffic control design. Staff O'Connell reports he does get this info. BPAC members cited specific locations where there are signal issues and lighting issues, noted by staff. Lt. Allen referred members to Public Safety Advisory Committee for safety and crime issues. Members wondered if P.D. report is available as a spreadsheet so they can edit and calculate. Lt. Allen will check. BPAC requests P.D. continues with reports twice per year.

5.3 Walk/Bike Facility Tour Planning: Member McCamy wants to identify dates and locations for this tour to take place in the next several months. Members would like City Engineer O'Connell to be part of the tour. Suggested that BPAC Members think of hotspots. Staff Oaks suggested the list of hotspots be short since tours take longer than one would expect. Potential suggested for use of Bike Share for those who don't own bikes for the tour time. Councilmember Medina agreed to check with her contact there. Potential for discussion at end of tour, including food was mentioned. Committee M/S/P, Modic/McCamy/6-0, date for tour to be Sat., June 23rd. For next meeting, members encouraged each other to come with suggested tour stops, potential ad hoc committee to be considered.

6. Regular Information Items

6.1 Powell Christie Corridor Update: Staff O'Connell reported on status of work being done to improve pedestrian and bicycling conditions in this area. With the PASS program, the City is re-timing traffic signals throughout the City. At Christie/Powell intersection and others, signal walk times will be increased next week. The signal controller has been upgraded at Powell/Christie, to enable the two flashing yellow arrows while there is a green ball light. Another traffic engineering firm will be consulted about this intersection. The upcoming summer pavement project will include a variety measures, including extending the median on Powell St. at the I-80 off/on ramp to discourage motorists driving straight to the on-ramp from the off-ramp across Powell St. (as a way to avoid crowded I-80) The goal is to reduce traffic volume on the eastbound off-ram. New striping will be yellow, directing traffic correctly through this intersection. At Christie, crosswalks will be extended. Cycletrak on Christie will be re-paved and smoother.

6.2 Planning Dept. Report: Staff Oaks reported that the Scheuerman General Plan amendment will return to Council and the Planning Commission. Not yet scheduled, may be in May. Staff Keena reported new Emery Go Round lot location on Horton St. to include bike parking and a bus driver training held last Saturday. The Active Transportation Plan with ACTC has begun with a Technical Advisory Committee, to identify a network of facilities for all ages abilities and identifying gaps in cross-jurisdictional connectivity. AC Transit is completing its Multimodal Corridor Guidelines, which will offer guidance for bus stop design, on streets where bike facilities are included. Planning staff sent them the example from the new segment of Shellmound St. where the bike lane is behind the bus stop. Chair Guerrero shared his notes from the EGR driver training from Saturday March 31. Suggestions were that AC Transit drivers get similar training, and that EGR drivers be made aware that their new parking lot will be on a Bike Boulevard, Horton St.

6.3 Public Works Project Status Update: Staff O'Connell provided update on Public Works projects. Bike Share program here and elsewhere discussed with Councilmember Medina, with implications for modifying the program to accept electric bikes. This will return to BPAC. Greenway crossings project design will begin in summer. All traffic signals have been updated with video detection. New section of Greenway between Hollis and Stanford will be open on Bike to Work Day.

6.4 Bike to Work Day 2018 Update: Staff Greenhut updated plans for Bike to Work Day, including companies that will be supporting the Energizer Stations this year and news for Station activities. Greenhut sought and got input from BPAC members for the event.

7. Future Agenda Items

7.1. Discuss potential future agenda items: BPAC reviewed items, list was updated for next month. For May, BPAC put the following on the agenda: 1) Walk/Bike Tour, 2) Intersection of Stanford and Horton St. bicycle pavement striping, 3) Construction Signage policy, and 4) Vision Zero policy, if outside speaker Nicole Ferraro can attend.

8. Announcements / Member Comments were made.

Adjournment at 7:36 a.m.