

Bicycle & Pedestrian Advisory Committee

Wednesday, May 9, 2018

MINUTES

CALL TO ORDER

The Regular Meeting of the Bicycle and Pedestrian Advisory Committee (BPAC) was called to order at 6:35 p.m. by Chairperson Hertan in Conference Room B-104, Santa Clara Valley Transportation Authority (VTA), 3331 North First Street, San José, California.

1. ROLL CALL

Attendee Name	Title	Representing	Status
Wes Brinsfield	Member	City of Los Altos	Absent
Kristal Caidoy	Member	City of Milpitas	Present
Barry Chaffin	Member	City of Monte Sereno	Absent
Susan Cretekos	Member	Town of Los Altos Hills	Present
Jaime Fearer	Vice Chairperson	City of San José	Absent
Tom Granvold	Member	City of Santa Clara	Present
Peter Hertan	Chairperson	Town of Los Gatos	Present
Erik Lindskog	Member	City of Cupertino	Absent
Robert Neff	Member	City of Palo Alto	Present
Carolyn Schimandle	Member	City of Gilroy	Present
David Simons	Member	City of Sunnyvale	Present
Jim Stallman	Member	City of Saratoga	Present
Paul Tuttle	Member	City of Campbell	Present
Greg Unangst	Member	City of Mountain View	Absent
Herman Wadler	Member	County of Santa Clara	Present
Vacant	Member	City of Morgan Hill	n/a
Ben Pacho	Ex-Officio Member	SV Bicycle Coalition	Present
Shiloh Ballard	Alt. Ex-Officio Member	SV Bicycle Coalition	n/a

A quorum was present.

2. ORDERS OF THE DAY

There were no Orders of the Day.

3. PUBLIC PRESENTATIONS

There were no Public Presentations.

4. Committee Staff Report

Lauren Ledbetter, Senior Transportation Planner and Staff Liaison, provided an overview of the written staff report, highlighting the following: 1) summary of actions taken by the VTA Board of Directors (Board) at their May 3, 2018 meeting, including a 10-2 vote in favor of the Eastridge to BART Regional Connector, Capitol Expressway Light Rail Extension revised vertical alignment, and the funding plan for the project; 2) VTA has received \$730 million in funding for BART Phase II from California's Cap and Trade Transit and Intercity Rail Capital Program; 3) three other VTA capital projects are recommended for state funding pending California Transportation Commission approval; 4) Senate Bill (SB) 1 funding to local jurisdictions for local streets and roads maintenance; 5) VTA's efforts to stop human trafficking; 6) Tasman Corridor Complete Streets Study; 7) VTA's Ad Hoc Financial Stability Committee will hold a meeting on May 11, 2018 at 12:00 p.m. in Conference Room B-106; 8) VTA will host The General Engineering Consultant information forum on May 15, 2018, at 9:00 a.m. at the San José Convention Center; 9) May 10, 2018, is Bike to Work Day; and 10) bicycle accommodations at the new BART Stations.

On order of Chairperson Hertan, and there being no objection, the Committee received the Committee Staff Report.

5. Santa Clara County Staff Report

Ellen Talbo, County Transportation Planner, provided a brief report, highlighting the County Health Department's Public Health Campaign, Pedal in the Park, which encourages the public to ride bikes.

On order of Chairperson Hertan, and there being no objection, the Committee received the Santa Clara County Staff Report.

6. Chairperson's Report

Chairperson Hertan provided a report, highlighting the Ad Hoc Financial Stability Committee meeting on April 11, 2018.

CONSENT AGENDA

7. Regular Meeting Minutes of March 7, 2018

M/S/C (Simons/Granvold) to approve the Regular Meeting Minutes of March 7, 2018.

8. Workshop Meeting Summary Minutes of April 11, 2018

M/S/C (Simons/Granvold) to approve the Workshop Meeting Summary Minutes of April 11, 2018.

9. Automated Driving System Draft Policy

M/S/C (Simons/Granvold) to recommend that the VTA Board of Directors adopt VTA's Automated Driving Systems (ADS) Policy.

10. 2018/19 TFCA Program Manager Fund

M/S/C (Simons/Granvold) to recommend that the VTA Board of Directors approve the programming for Fiscal Year 2018/19 Transportation Fund for Clean Air Program Manager (TFCA 40%) funds to projects.

11. County Priority Projects for TDA3 (County Item)

M/S/C (Simons/Granvold) to recommend the County Board of Supervisors approve the San Tomas Widening and Trail Project for funding through the Fiscal Year 2018/19 Transportation Development Act Article 3 funds.

12. FY2018/19 TDA3 Project Priorities

M/S/C (Simons/Granvold) to recommend that the VTA Board of Directors adopt a resolution approving the project priorities for the Fiscal Year 2018/19 Countywide Transportation Development Act (TDA) Article 3 program.

RESULT:	APPROVED – Consent Agenda Items #7-12
MOVER:	David Simons, Member
SECONDER:	Tom Granvold, Member
AYES:	Caidoy, Cretekos, Granvold, Hertan, Neff, Schimandle, Simons, Stallman, Tuttle, Wadler
NOES:	None
ABSENT:	Brinsfield, Chaffin, Fearer, Lindskog, Unangst

REGULAR AGENDA

13. Santa Clara Countywide Bicycle Plan Action

Ms. Ledbetter provided an overview of the Countywide Bicycle Plan (Plan), highlighting the following: 1) changes made from the draft, including incorporating comments received during the public comment period; and 2) expressed appreciation for the Committee and their involvement with the two-year process and getting the public out to the meetings.

Members of the Committee discussed the following: 1) noted spelling errors; 2) the importance of the Plan for funding of projects; and 3) the gap in time between long term plans by the cities and the next update of the Plan.

Members of the Committee made the following requests: 1) timeline for changing the interchange at Interstate 880 and Brokaw Road; and 2) bicycle and pedestrian access at the Interstate 101 and State Route (SR) 25 interchange.

M/S/C (Stallman/Simons) to recommend that the VTA Board of Directors adopt the Countywide Bicycle Plan. Further the Committee directed staff to include their comments.

RESULT:	ADOPTED AS AMENDED – Regular Agenda Item # 13
MOVER:	Jim Stallman, Member
SECONDER:	David Simons, Member
AYES:	Caidoy, Cretelos, Granvold, Hertan, Neff, Schimandle, Simons, Stallman, Tuttle, Wadler
NOES:	None
ABSENT:	Brinsfield, Chaffin, Fearer, Lindskog, Unangst

14. San Tomas Expressway Bikeway Update (County Item)

Ms. Talbo provided an update on the San Tomas Expressway Bikeway, highlighting the upgrades and changes to San Tomas Expressway being funded through 2016 Measure B.

Members of the Committee expressed concerns about the following: 1) bike lanes along San Tomas Expressway; and 3) navigating intersections on a bicycle.

On order of Chairperson Hertan, and there being no objection, the Committee received an update on the San Tomas Expressway Bikeway Construction.

15. 2016 Measure B Bicycle and Pedestrian Education & Encouragement Program Proposal

Jane Shinn, Senior Management Analyst, provided an overview of the 2016 Measure B Bicycle and Pedestrian Education & Encouragement Program.

Members of the Committee discussed the following: 1) application process for receiving 2016 Measure B funds; and 2) project eligibility.

On order of Chairperson Hertan, and there being no objection, the Committee discussed the 2016 Measure B Bicycle and Pedestrian Education & Encouragement Program.

16. Light Rail Safety and Speed Pilot Project in Downtown San José

Tamiko Percell, Transportation Planner, provided a presentation, entitled “Downtown San José Safety & Speed Improvements Pilot Project.” highlighting the following: 1) VTA’s Adopted Strategic Plan; 2) Downtown San José Light Rail Safety Program; 3) Downtown San José Light Rail; 4) Transit Mall Design is Challenging for Transit; 5) Eliminated Treatments; 6) Issue 1: Intrusion into Trackway from Parallel Crosswalk; 7) Treatment: Restripe Crosswalk Away from Dynamic Envelope; 8) Issue 2: Intrusion into Trackway from Sidewalk and Median; 9) Treatment: Railing Between Sidewalk and Trackway; 10) Issue 3: Vehicle Intrusion into Trackway to/from Garage; 11) Treatment: Improve Warning System; 12) Issue 4: Intrusion into Trackway Platform and Sidewalk; 13) Treatment: Bistro-style Railing Between Sidewalk and Trackway; 14) Design precedents for bistro railing; 15) Issue 5: Safer Midblock Crossing; 16) Treatment: Highlight Paseo de San Antonio as Primary Crossing; 17) Issue 6: Intrusion into Trackway from Median and Sidewalk; 18) Treatment: Railing between Sidewalk and Trackway; and 19) Budget and Schedule.

Committee and staff discussed additional options for the treatments in the pilot project area and community outreach.

Public Comment

Blair Beekman, Interested Citizen, made the following comments: 1) encouraged staff to talk about efficiency issues other than increasing speed; and 2) suggested making the seating areas smaller.

On order of Chairperson Hertan, and there being no objection, the Committee received information on the Light Rail Safety and Speed Pilot Project in Downtown San José.

OTHER

17. Reports from BPAC Subcommittees

There were no BPAC Subcommittee reports.

18. Citizens Advisory Committee (CAC) and 2000 Measure A Citizens Watchdog Committee (CWC) Report

Member Wadler provided a report, noting that the implementation strategy for amendments to the CAC bylaws to modify the Membership Structure will be forwarded to the Board in June 2018.

On order of Chairperson Hertan, and there being no objection, the Committee received the CAC/CWC Report.

19. BPAC Work Plan

Ms. Ledbetter provided an overview of the BPAC Work Plan.

Members of the Committee requested the following items to be added to the Work Plan: 1) a report on the State Route (SR) 25 interchange; and 2) report on electric bikes and scooters.

On order of Chairperson Hertan, and there being no objection, the Committee reviewed the BPAC Work Plan.

20. ANNOUNCEMENTS

There were no Announcements.

21. ADJOURNMENT

On order of Chairperson Hertan and there being no objection, the meeting was adjourned at 8:31 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Thalia Young, Board Assistant
VTA Office of the Board Secretary