

Bicycle & Pedestrian Advisory Committee

Wednesday, August 8, 2018

MINUTES

CALL TO ORDER

The Regular Meeting of the Bicycle and Pedestrian Advisory Committee (BPAC) was called to order at 6:34 p.m. by Chairperson Hertan in Conference Room B-106, 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	Present
Susan Cretekos	Member	Town of Los Altos Hills	Present
Jaime Fearer	Vice Chairperson	City of San José	Present
Tom Granvold	Member	City of Santa Clara	Absent
Peter Hertan	Chairperson	Town of Los Gatos	Present
Erik Lindskog	Member	City of Cupertino	Present
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	Present
Herman Wadler	Member	County of Santa Clara	Present
Vacant	Member	City of Morgan Hill	n/a
Ben Pacho	Ex-Officio Member	SV Bicycle Coalition	Absent
Shiloh Ballard	Alt. Ex-Officio Member	SV Bicycle Coalition	Absent

A quorum was present.

Member Neff arrived and took his seat at 6:36 p.m.

2. ORDERS OF THE DAY

There were no Orders of the Day.

3. PUBLIC PRESENTATIONS

Betsy Megas, Interested Citizen, made the following comments: 1) the City of Santa Clara will hold a meeting on August 14, 2018 discussing the future of El Camino Real through the city; and 2) Santa Clara is developing a Complete Streets policy.

4. Committee Staff Report

Thalia Young, Board Assistant, provided an overview of the written staff report, highlighting the following: 1) the VTA Board of Directors (Board) at its August 2, 2018 meeting voted unanimously to discontinue the light rail express; 2) the Board also authorized the General Manager to enter into an agreement with the Metropolitan Transportation Commission to receive federal funds for the State Route 85 Transit Guideway Study; 3) VTA's efforts to ensure safety of riders and employees; 4) ticket vending machines upgrades to sell Clipper Cards; 5) the Ad Hoc Financial Stability Committee meeting will be held on Friday, August 17 at 1:30 p.m. at VTA; 6) information on the oppose position for Proposition 6; 7) a grant request to the Active Transportation Program for a pedestrian safety project on King Road; and 8) the Association of Pedestrian and Bicycle Professionals Monthly Webinar on August 15, 2018, at noon on "Moving Beyond the Centerline - Advisory Bicycle Lanes, Best Kept Secret."

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

5. Santa Clara County Staff Report

There was no Santa Clara County Staff report.

6. Chairperson's Report

There was no Chairperson's Report.

CONSENT AGENDA

7. Regular Meeting Minutes of June 13, 2018

M/S/C (Wadler/Simons) to approve the Regular Meeting Minutes of June 13, 2018.

8. Oppose Position on Proposition 6

M/S/C (Wadler/Simons) to recommend that the VTA Board of Directors adopt a resolution opposing Proposition 6 on the November 2018 ballot, which would repeal Senate Bill 1 (Beall), the "Road Repair and Accountability Act of 2017" and require voter approval of future transportation fuel tax and vehicle fee increases.

9. Bay Area Bike Share Revenue Return

M/S/C (Wadler/Simons) to recommend that the VTA Board of Directors:

- 1) Direct staff to return \$59,520 in Bay Area Bike Share revenue return to 2000 Measure A; and
- 2) Provide \$113,088, \$54,659, and \$20,733 in Bay Area Bike Share revenue return to the cities of San Jose, Mountain View and Palo Alto, respectively, to support their local bicycle programs.

NOTE: M/S/C MEANS MOTION SECONDED AND CARRIED AND, UNLESS OTHERWISE INDICATED, THE MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY

RESULT:	APPROVED – Consent Agenda Items #7-9
MOVER:	Herman Wadler, Member
SECONDER:	David Simons, Member
AYES:	Chaffin, Cretekos, Fearer, Hertan, Lindskog, Neff, Simons, Stallman, Tuttle, Unangst, Wadler
NOES:	None
ABSENT:	Brinsfield, Caidoy, Granvold, Schimandle

REGULAR AGENDA

10. Story-Keyes Complete Streets Study

Members Caidoy and Schimandle arrived and took their seats at 6:47 p.m.

Brent Pearce, Transportation Planner, provided a presentation entitled, “Story-Keyes Complete Streets Study”, highlighting the following: 1) Study Background; 2) Study Background - Complete Streets; 3) Objectives and Community Outreach; 4) Outreach Impact; 5) Community Design Process; 6) Design Vision - Willow Street/Graham Street; 7) Design Vision - Keyes Street; 8) Design Vision - Story Road; and 9) Next Steps.

Members of the Committee discussed the following: 1) pedestrian and bicyclist safety; and 2) expressed concern about the proposed road diet.

M/S/C (Fearer/Cretekos) on a vote of 11 ayes to 2 noes to recommend that the VTA Board of Directors adopt the Story-Keyes Complete Streets Study and 10% Concept Design. Members Simons and Wadler opposed.

RESULT:	APPROVED –Agenda Item #10
MOVER:	Jaime Fearer, Vice Chairperson
SECONDER:	Susan Cretekos, Member
AYES:	Caidoy, Chaffin, Cretekos, Fearer, Hertan, Lindskog, Neff, Schimandle, Stallman, Tuttle, Unangst
NOES:	Simons, Wadler
ABSENT:	Brinsfield, Granvold

11. Transportation Technology Strategic Plan Development and Final Report

David Kobayashi, Senior Transportation Engineer, provided a presentation entitled, “Santa Clara County Transportation Technology Strategic Plan (TTSP)”, highlighting the following: 1) TTSP Vision & Goal; 2) Connection to VTA Strategic Plan; 3) TTSP Framework; 4) Collaborative Effort; 5) Recommendations; and 6) What’s Next?

Members of the Committee discussed the following: 1) establishing a communication system servicing more than Santa Clara County; and 2) transparency and public perception.

Public Comment

Doug Muirhead, Interested Citizen, expressed concern about the transparency of the process taken to get to the final report and what the perceived results will be.

Ms. Megas suggested that idle time be looked at if VTA receives ride share data.

On order of Chairperson Hertan, and there being no objection, the Committee received information on the Santa Clara County Transportation Technology Strategic Plan final report.

OTHER

12. Reports from BPAC Subcommittees

- Best Practices for Transit Operators Training

Vice Chairperson Fearer noted that the subcommittee has not met but is planning a meeting. If Committee members are interested in being on the subcommittee they are encouraged to talk to Vice Chairperson Fearer.

The Committee formed a subcommittee to look at Across Barrier Connections (ABCs). Member Stallman will chair the subcommittee, which includes Members Chaffin, Neff, Simons, Tuttle, and Unangst.

On order of Chairperson Hertan, and there being no objection, the Committee received reports from BPAC subcommittees.

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

Member Wadler noted that the Chairperson and Vice Chairperson have resigned from the CAC. The Committee elected him as Chairperson.

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

14. BPAC Work Plan

Lauren Ledbetter, Senior Transportation Planner and Staff Liaison, provided an overview of the work plan and provided a list of queue items.

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

15. ANNOUNCEMENTS

Member Lindskog announced that the Cupertino City Council will discuss bicycle and pedestrian trails along Regnart Creek at their August 21, 2018 meeting.

Member Wadler made the following announcements: 1) Doug Muirhead will be Chairperson for the Santa Clara County Roads Commission; and 2) construction on San Tomas Expressway.

Member Simons noted that the United States provides superior accommodations for disabled persons compared to Europe.

Member Caidoy provided information about the Milpitas BPAC family bike ride on August 25, 2018.

Member Stallman noted the following: 1) some Saratoga roads are being improved to meet Complete Streets requirements; and 2) installation of a turnaround at Saratoga Village.

Member Neff made the following announcements: 1) bike boulevard construction in Palo Alto is on hold for the next six months to evaluate effectiveness; and 2) Bike Palo Alto is on September 30, 2018 at Fair Meadows School.

Vice Chairperson Fearer announced the following: 1) California Walks is hosting the statewide "Peds Count!" summit October 18-19, 2018 at San José State University; and 2) Silicon Valley Bicycle Coalition's Bike Summit is on August 20, 2018.

Chairperson Hertan announced that Los Gatos is having their first Complete Streets working group meeting.

Member Unangst announced that the Mountain View and Sunnyvale BPACs are holding a meeting on August 29, 2018 to discuss an undercrossing at the Caltrain tracks and Bernardo Avenue.

16. ADJOURNMENT

On order of Chairperson Hertan and there being no objection, the meeting was adjourned at 8:05 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Thalia Young, Board Assistant
VTA Office of the Board Secretary