



City of Oakland, Bicyclist & Pedestrian Advisory Commission
Minutes from the October 19, 2017 meeting
City Hall, 2nd Floor, Sgt Daniel Sakai Hearing Room (aka Hearing Room 4)

Meeting agenda at www2.oaklandnet.com/062355.

Meeting called to order at 6:01 pm by BPAC Chair, Ryan Chan.

Item 1. Roll Call/Determination of Quorum/Introductions (5 minutes)

At roll call, quorum was established with five commissioners present (and one arrived late) (X). One (✓) was excused. Two (-) didn't provide the notice of absence as specified in by-laws.

| Commissioners | Present |
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| Reginald K Burnette Jr | X |
| Ryan Chan (Chair) | X |
| Chris Hwang | X |
| Christopher Kidd | - |
| Fred McWilliams | - |
| Robert Prinz (Vice-Chair) | X |
| Midori Tabata | ✓ |
| Rosa Villalobos | X |
| Kenya Wheeler | X |

Introductions were made.

- Other attendees: Mike Atkins, Estefania Bordin, Andy Campbell, Bob Fearman, Erin Fieberling, Chris Kintner, Kent Lewandowski, Jay Roller, Matt Ward
- Staff: Sarah Fine, Matt Jones, Jason Patton, Noel Pond-Danchik, Jennifer Stanley,

Item 2. Approval of meeting minutes

- A motion to **adopt the Bicyclist & Pedestrian Advisory Commission meeting minutes from September 21, 2017** was made (Villalobos), seconded (Chan), and approved by consent. Adopted minutes online at www.oaklandbikes.info/BPAC.

Item 3. Open Forum / Public Comment

- Jay Roller takes night classes at Laney College and reports that the intersection of 9th and Fallon Sts is dangerous. There is currently only a stop sign. He requested better lighting or a pedestrian push button. Commissioners directed Mr. Roller to the Report a Problem online form and the See Click Fix app.

Item 4. Bike Plan Update

Sarah Fine, Project Manager for Let's Bike Oakland! (the Oakland Bike Plan update), explained that the City executed a contract in August to begin work on the plan and that the project is supposed to be completed in 2018. She noted that staff and consultants will undergo structural race and equity training. City staff will use the following community engagement strategies to ensure that public input is robust and equitable:

- Administer a survey targeting a statistically significant portion of the City's total population
- Establish a presence at events across the City
- Partner with West and East Oakland community "anchor institutions," and include compensation to these organizations for their time and materials used to assist with the Plan.

Contact info:

Website – <https://beta.oaklandca.gov/issues/bike-plan>

Email – bikeplan@oaklandnet.com

Summary of Discussion:

- The City will conduct a workshop targeted at employers in downtown Oakland. Staff will also consider opportunities with shoppers as they are targeting all types of users.
 - The City will establish an Agency Advisory Committee which will include adjacent jurisdictions, like Emeryville and Berkeley.
 - A multilingual survey will be mailed and randomly distributed with an incentive of a \$200 raffle prize. If the initial sample of surveys is not representative, follow up phone calls will be conducted.
 - One goal behind the survey is to identify additional barriers to cycling—for example, social and cultural barriers.
 - The City will work with a BPAC committee, to consist of interested members of the public and not more than three (3) Commissioners. Chris Kintner and Matt Ward volunteered to be public representatives and Commissioners Hwang, Tabata, and Prinz will also serve.
- A motion to **form a task force comprised of three BPAC commissioners and additional members of the public to advise city staff on the Bicycle Master Plan** was made (Chan), seconded (Hwang), and approved with all commissioners present voting in favor.

Speakers other than Commissioners: None.

Item 5. Bi-Annual Paving and Bikeway Projects Status

Jennifer Stanley presented the maps shown as attachments in the BPAC packet. She mentioned that the five-year paving prioritization plan pre-dates the infrastructure bond and department reorganization. The intent of this discussion is to get input on which projects BPAC would like to review in more detail and/or to refer to the Infrastructure Committee.

Summary of Discussion:

- Only projects that are currently in design show up in the lists. Staff will consider showing projects in pre-design phase in future presentations.
- Internal organization and communication between project managers will be necessary to ensure timely information is provided for the public. For staff to prioritize this information, conversations

with management regarding priorities and staffing will need to take place. There was a request for staff to speak with the City Administrator about providing additional resources in this area.

- Updates on the following projects:
 - 69th Ave – The City is moving forward with improving the existing bicycle boulevard on this street (using infrastructure bond paving funds earmarked for bikeways not on the five-year paving plan), and offered to provide more information at a future meeting.
 - Park Blvd – More community meetings are likely to be scheduled.
 - 90th Ave, International Blvd to MacArthur Blvd. A bike underpass is proposed with a 4 -to 3 lane road diet with bike lanes.
- Staff intends to revise the chart to include the supervisor’s name (people don’t necessarily know the difference between the DOT’s Great Streets and Safe Streets divisions).
- The lead division is listed for each project, but there was discussion about adding geographic information, like Police Beat #.
- Jennifer shared a “beta” version of an online map showing the status of Oakland’s bike wayfinding sign projects (<http://arcg.is/TqznH>) and explained that the intention was to provide something similar for bike striping projects

Speakers other than Commissioners: Kent Lewandowski, Andy Campbell, Matt Ward

Item 6. Infrastructure Committee Report

Commissioner Prinz outlined the recent work of Oakland’s BPAC Infrastructure review committee. He shared the committee’s feedback on the design of three projects in design to be delivered via a paving contract. In addition to the recommendations in the agenda packet:

- Shafter Ave –51st St to Forest St
Opportunity to do traffic circles – with stop sign removal in direction of bike boulevard. Hopefully, the community will support Oakland’s most complete bike boulevard to date. In an article about the project in the Rockridge News, the circles are being referred to as mini roundabouts.
- Market Street (Grand Ave to Berkeley Border)
The City is looking at painted pedestrian safety zones, especially in school areas, and the committee recommended other safety zones. A change in cross-section is being considered between 24th St and Aileen St. This change would replace the two-way center turn lane with bike lane buffers, except at select locations where left turn pockets would remain. A recently installed pedestrian refuge island would also remain. This proposal has received support from nearby residents and outreach is still underway.
Adeline North to the Berkeley border, not implement bike lane. Had suggested a pilot to see how it would operate.
- Webster from Pill Hill to 34th
There’s parking on both sides and it’s metered on one side while the other side is unmetered. People walk across street to get to cars which is dangerous. The committee recommended removing parking on the unmetered side to make room for buffered bike lanes in both directions.

Summary of Discussion:

- On Market St, north of Adeline St, a demonstration project could be interesting. It would be nice to have a community champion to support this in the neighborhood, to serve as a bridge.
- Chair Chan would like to the infrastructure committee to meet on a quarterly basis.

Speakers other than Commissioners: Kent Lewandowski

Item 7. Three-month agenda look-ahead suggestions for meeting topics, announcements

The agenda items planned for November, December, and January were printed in the agenda. Suggestions for new agenda items included:

- Effective lobbying for bike infrastructure (Lewandowski)
- Provide an update of the implementation schedule of projects included in the recently-adopted Pedestrian Master Plan
- Pedestrian and bicycle collision data (Lewandowski)
 - Staff indicated that this was provided at a prior BPAC meeting, and is available online (as part of the Pedestrian Master Plan)

Announcements:

- Bike Civics Training
- Urban Cycling Workshop
- Biketopia Bike Party/Fundraiser
- The 10th St Bridge is now open (and has bike lanes).

Minutes recorded by Matt Jones, Bicycle & Pedestrian Facilities Coordinator, emailed to meeting attendees for review on Thursday, October 26 with comments requested by 5pm, Wednesday, November 1 to jstanley@oaklandnet.com. Revised minutes were attached to the November 2017 meeting agenda and adopted at that meeting.