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Bicyclist and Pedestrian Advisory Commission, Monthly Meeting Agenda Thursday, March 15, 2018; 6:00-8:00 pm City Hall, Hearing Room 4

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## **Commissioners**

Reginald K Burnette Jr, Andrew Campbell, Christopher Kidd, Fred McWilliams, George Naylor, Mariana Parreiras, Midori Tabata (Chair), Rosa Villalobos, Kenya Wheeler (Vice-Chair)

Time	#	Торіс	
6:00	ı	Commissioner Transition/Roll Call/Determination of Quorum (15 minutes)	
6:15	2	<b>Approval of meeting minutes</b> Attachment (5 minutes)—Seek motion to adopt the February 2018 BPAC minutes.	
6:20	3	Open Forum / Public Comment (10 minutes)—Members of the public may comment on any issue within BPAC's subject matter jurisdiction. Comments on a scheduled agenda item will be heard with that item. The BPAC's Open Forum Committee tracks Open Forum issues raised by the public. (See <a href="mainto:tinyurl.com/Oakland-BPAC-OpenForumTracking">tinyurl.com/Oakland-BPAC-OpenForumTracking</a> .) The Committee reviews the public comments on a periodic basis to identify policy issues for discussion by the Commission. To request City services, please contact the Public Works Call Center; information at <a href="www2.oaklandnet.com/ReportaProblem">www2.oaklandnet.com/ReportaProblem</a> .	
6:30	4	<b>TDA Article 3 Projects: Commission Action</b> (25 minutes)—Bruce Williams, Senior Transportation Planner with OakDOT, will present a revised project list for FY2018-19 Transportation Development Act Article 3 funding to the Commission for consideration.	
6:55	5	<b>2017 Annual Report to PWC Committee: Report Back</b> (20 minutes)—Ryan Chan, 2017 BPAC Chair, and Jason Patton, OakDOT staff, will provide a report back from the Public Works Committee presentation and staff comments addressing BPAC's recommendations.	
7:15	6	<b>Bike to Work Day/Month Planning</b> (10 minutes)—Chris Hwang, representative of Walk Oakland Bike Oakland, will lead a discussion on Bike to Work Day/Month planning.	
7:25	7	<b>Possible Creation of BPAC Legislative Committee</b> (25 minutes)—A discussion around the need for & purpose of a legislative committee to the BPAC. Discussion will include options for committee's relationship to the BPAC.	
7:50	8	Three-month agenda look-ahead, suggestions for meeting topics, announcements Attachment (10 minutes)	

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# City of Oakland, Bicyclist & Pedestrian Advisory Commission DRAFT Minutes from the February 15, 2018 meeting City Hall, 2<sup>nd</sup> Floor, Sgt Daniel Sakai Hearing Room (aka Hearing Room 4)

Meeting agenda at www2.oaklandnet.com/OAK069056.

Meeting called to order at 6:03 pm by BPAC Chair, Midori Tabata.

# Item 1. Roll Call/Determination of Quorum/Introductions

At roll call, four commissioners were present ( $\mathbf{X}$ ). One ( $\checkmark$ ) was absent, excused. Two (-) were absent, unexcused. Two arrived shortly after roll call ( $\mathbf{x}$ ).

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

#### Introductions were made.

- Other attendees: Kevin Dalley, Bob Fearman, Eric Fischer, Tom Holub, Chris Kintner, Kent Lewandowski, Phoenix Mangrum, Ruth Miller, Brendan Pittman, Matt Ward, (one person unknown)
- Staff: Tabin Chung, Matt Jones, Jason Patton, Noel Pond-Danchik, Bruce Williams

# Item 2. Approval of meeting minutes

→ A motion to *adopt the Bicyclist & Pedestrian Advisory Commission meeting minutes from January* **18, 2018** was made (Chan), seconded (Wheeler), and approved by consent. Adopted minutes online at <u>www.oaklandbikes.info/BPAC</u>.

# Item 3. Open Forum / Public Comment

- Eric Fisher thanked OakDOT for fixing the pedestrian traffic signal timing at 40th and Telegraph; he recommends using SeeClickFix as a tool.
- Kevin Dalley mentioned the need for more leading pedestrian intervals.
- Kevin Dalley asked about maintenance along Lake Merritt Channel Park which is owned by Peralta Community College District and administered by City of Oakland. Commissioner Prinz noted homelessness concerns and asked about who might be best for handling contracts. Jason Patton noted that the issue was last addressed by Susan Katchee, Assistant Director of the Bureau of Facilities and the Environment of the Public Works Department she has since retired. He volunteered to follow up with Mr. Dalley regarding Ms. Katchee's response.

 Kevin Dalley thanked the Police Department for ticketing a car that had been parked in the bike lane.

# Item 4. Coliseum BART Station Bike/Ped Gaps Closure Conceptual Designs (revised presentation attached)

Mariana Parreiras, Project Manager with BART's Planning Group presented BART's Coliseum Station bike and pedestrian gaps closure conceptual designs, based on BART's station access policy. BART staff have recently completed an update of their Station Access Policy and performance measure and targets. From 2008-2015, BART has seen an increase system wide in number of riders walking and biking to their stations, which is prompting BART to prioritize these modes for future station improvement projects.

BART staff are trying to connect various types of bikeway improvements, including East Bay Greenway, Hegenberger Rd and San Leandro St bike lanes into its planning. BART staff have been converting some of the station's parking into housing. Challenges at the station include fences that were installed to prevent car break-ins but also prevent pedestrian crossings. Pedestrians also have challenges with buses and weaving from cars. Opportunities include linking with existing City projects like the sidewalk widening at 71<sup>st</sup> Ave and the bike lanes on Hegenberger. BART is willing to fund walk and bike improvements outside their station area including within City right-of-way.

## Summary of Discussion:

- Land use decisions around the BART stations are an ongoing conversation, including transitoriented housing. BART isn't considering reallocation of parking spaces in the interim; the best opportunities for bicycle and pedestrian connections tend to be outside of BART. A site near the Coliseum BART station – the Transit Village project – was converted to housing and there might be future opportunities.
- Transfers between BART and Amtrak's Capitol Corridor are difficult. BART staff manage the operations for the Capitol Corridor line and will consider improvements.
- BART staff provided a brief overview of the BART Bicycle Program Capital Plan, including their
  designs for bike channels (stair channels). Most of the challenges to cyclists come from outside the
  station.
- Bike theft and accessibility are a few concerns. Some ideas included distributing preloaded BikeLink
  cards and integrating Clipper and BikeLink cards, or subsidizing the first few hours of bike locker
  use. BART noted that their pilot programs for BikeKeep (enhanced locking bike racks activated by
  Clipper card) vary by perceived safety surrounding the station; staff sees bike lockers as a long-term
  strategy.
- Transit connections are a challenge for those living in the neighborhood, therefore driving or biking are preferable options. One way streets are a barrier to cyclists, requiring sidewalk riding.
- The underpass used to access the station is a barrier for pedestrians and cyclists. BART staff believe
  that there are opportunities through the East Bay Greenway project to address the right of way
  issues which are preventing the improvements in this area. This acquisition is a high priority for
  BART as an easement isn't possible.
- There are pedestrian safety and street crime issues and an opportunity for better lighting. BART could consider more cameras and better coordination with the police department.

Speakers other than Commissioners: Chris Kintner, Kent Lewandowski, Ruth Miller, Matt Ward, (one unknown person)

Item 5. Construction Detour Guidance: Review and Approval Process (presentation attached)

Tabin Chung, Transportation Engineer with OakDOT presented how the City reviews construction detour guidance plans. The least complex projects have no right of way requirements. Once the construction enters the public right of way, City staff review the traffic control plans and strive to meet the criteria established in the guidance document as best as possible. Projects with greater levels of complexity require tradeoffs depending on street conditions. The public is noticed for traffic closures. The enforcement staff member from the City was invited to attend but couldn't make it.

Ray Connell of Holland Partner Groups presented his experience working on a development project with the City at 1721 Webster Street (between 17<sup>th</sup> and 19<sup>th</sup> Streets). The temporary traffic control allowed for a sidewalk detour and a 4-foot bike lane to allow space for two travel lanes. This wouldn't be permitted with strict adherence to the guidelines, the City worked with them given the complexity of the project (landlocked, two other projects under construction across the street).

# Summary of Discussion:

- Four projects on Alice between 17<sup>th</sup> and 14<sup>th</sup> Streets. Ford GoBike proposed three Bikeshare stations in the vicinity which were then removed. The developer indicated that these are coming back in 18-24 months.
- City staff encouraged others to use SeeClickFix. There was discussion on the perceived lack of follow through from staff through SeeClickFix.
- The public wants to know who is involved on the enforcement side. Jason Patton offered to
  provide the current organizational chart and follow up with this request. The enforcement
  function is overseen by Kevin Kashi, Supervising Civil Engineer of the Right of Way Section in the
  Great Streets Delivery Division of the DOT. A DOT organizational chart is attached to these
  minutes. Public concerns are irrespective of whether the project is public or private a point of
  contact is needed. Compliance is a concern.
- When looking at projects, consider designing for how people use the street, not how we want them to use it. Prioritize safe path of travel.
- Bus stops are rarely relocated and require AC Transit approval to do so. BikeShare doesn't have
  a formal process within design review it's handled by the City's BikeShare coordinator. Ray
  noted that developers have funded the replacement and relocation of BikeShare stations
  associated with their projects. City staff should consider demand and access when relocating
  stations.
- The temporary traffic control plans are not easily found on Accela and the phone number isn't easy to access.
- Resource allocation is an issue for the City. Commissioner Prinz offered to draft a letter to the OakDOT director to holistically review the traffic control review and enforcement process and bring more resources to these issues. Commissioner Hwang recommended that the vice chair and chair request a presentation from the enforcement team at a future meeting.

Speakers other than commissioners: Chris Kintner, Ruth Miller

# Item 6. TDA Article 3 Projects: Possibilities/Recommended List (presentation attached)

Bruce Williams, Senior Transportation Planner with OakDOT presented a draft recommended list of projects for consideration from the BPAC for TDA Article 3. Projects recommended include providing additional funding for the Path and Stair Rehabilitation Program, the Peralta Streetscape Project, 7<sup>th</sup> Street West Oakland Streetscape Project, and the enhancement of Antioch Court in Montclair.

Summary of Discussion:

- Over the past ten years TDA Article 3 funding has been used for smaller projects. Prior to that, the
  funds were often used as match to larger streetscape projects funded by the City's Redevelopment
  Agency or the Metropolitan Transportation Commission's Transportation for Liveable Communities
  program. With the passage of Measure BB and Measure KK, the City has more local money. Now
  it's easier for the department to spend on smaller projects. It may be appropriate to return to the
  practice of using some TDA Article 3 funds as match to larger projects.
- The 7<sup>th</sup> St and Peralta St projects should be considered as it serves equity concerns.
- West Oakland is getting attention but there are a lot of other projects. Equity doesn't need to be the highest-ranking criteria we also need to look where bikes and pedestrians are.
- There was an interest in ranking the quality of stairs as a prioritization tool.
- The City could use the funds to pilot creative and innovative solutions. The Peralta plans are old and outdated. The City needs to fund something new. The City could consider more projects like the recent Vision Zero project at Harrison St and 23<sup>rd</sup> St.
- Consider the funds for high injury networks, for spot treatments, and prioritizing projects that align with the Pedestrian Plan.
- There is a City staff interest in completing an existing project over starting a new project.

Speakers other than commissioners: Chris Kintner, Matt Ward

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

Commissioner Prinz recommended revisiting the City's traffic signal policy for pedestrians, providing an update on the Park Boulevard Corridor, providing and update on the enforcement of the traffic control plans, and prioritizing the BikeShare presentation.

Commissioners Tabata and Wheeler recommended a report back on funding: mid-cycle budget adjustment update for staff and projects, and the City's expenditures of from new funding sources (Measure KK, State gas tax revenues).

Jason Patton would like additional clarity from BPAC on the biannual complete streets update. It has been reformatted into three items: paving, and the implementation of the bike and pedestrian plans.

Tom Holub and Commissioner Wheeler would like an update on the feasibility of dockless bikeshare companies.

# **Announcements:**

Commissioner Chan will be presenting the BPAC Annual Report to the Public Works Committee – they will meet on 2/27/18 at 12pm. The Committee will also consider a change order increase for the Lakeside Green Street Project.

Chair Tabata adjourned the meeting at 8:10 pm.

Minutes recorded by Matt Jones, Bicycle & Pedestrian Facilities Coordinator, emailed to meeting attendees for review on Tuesday, February 27 with comments requested by 9am, Monday, March 5 to <a href="mbjones@oaklandnet.com">mbjones@oaklandnet.com</a>. Revised minutes will be added to the March 2018 meeting agenda and adopted at that meeting.

# 3/15/18, BPAC Agenda, Item #8 Attachment

# Three-month agenda look-ahead

**April** (This month is oversubscribed by 10 minutes)

- San Pablo Multi-Modal Corridor Project
- Paint the Town! Applications Update
- Biannual Paving Update
- Bike Plan Update
- Vision Zero Task Force (tentative)

## May

- Bike to Work Day Report Back
- Biannual Strategic Planning Update
- Level of Traffic Stress Introduction (tentative)
- Bike Share Station Relocation/Dockless Bikeshare (tentative)

#### June

- ATP Application Update
- Infrastructure Committee Report Back
- MacArthur BART Bike Station Update (tentative)
- Development Projects Bike/Ped Conditions of Approval (tentative)

## **Commissioner announcements**

Commissioner Tabata: At the conclusion of this month's meeting, all are invited to gather at Downtown Wine Merchants, 102 Frank H Ogawa Plaza, for a social gathering. We remind everyone not to discuss, deliberate, or take action on any item of business that is within the subject matter jurisdiction of the BPAC.

#### Staff announcements

Please enjoy refreshments in advance of the meeting to honor the transition of commissioners.

Form 700 (Statement of Economic Interest) is due from all current and transitioning commissioners (outgoing and incoming) by April 2, 2018.

Form 700: http://bit.ly/Form-700.

# **Active BPAC Committees**

Committee	Date Created	Details	Commissioners / Other members
Infrastructure committee	2/16/17	review infrastructure plans and grant updates	Commissioners McWilliams, Kidd, and Burnette Jr; community members Probert Prinz, Dianne Yee, Maria Rolland, and Bob Fearman
Open Forum responses	3/17/16	ongoing	Commissioners Kidd, Tabata, Villalobos
review OMC bicyclist-related sections	1/21/16	changes to bicycle registration and licensing requirements pending approval by City Council in Dec 2016	Commissioners Wheeler (chair), Tabata; community member Robert Prinz