

# City of Oakland, Bicyclist & Pedestrian Advisory Commission Minutes from the November 17, 2016 meeting City Hall, Hearing Room 4

Meeting agenda at www2.oaklandnet.com/OAK056333

Meeting called to order at 6:05pm by Commissioner Chris Hwang.

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

At roll call, quorum was established with all Commissioners present except Chan, Villalobos, and Wheeler (excused).

Introductions were made.

- Other attendees (who signed in): Bob Fearman, Amanda Leahy, Tom Holub, Karl Tingwald, Tiff Mueller, Tommy Hayes, Brandie Albright, Angela Gennino, Rod Rewoldt
- Staff: Iris Starr, Jennifer Stanley

# Item 2. Approval of meeting minutes (Action Item)

→ A motion to *adopt the Bicyclist & Pedestrian Advisory Commission meeting minutes from October 20, 2016* was made (Tabata), seconded (Prinz), and approved with all voting in favor and none abstaining.

Adopted minutes online at www.oaklandbikes.info/BPAC.

## Item 3. Open Forum / Public Comment

Bob Fearman reported back on his effort to report the sidewalk gap at the corner of 2nd and Oak Streets, an issue he had raised during Open Forum last month. He submitted the issue via SeeClickFix, noticed it had previously been reported, and that the City response was that sidewalk repair is the property owner's obligation. Discussion included whether the City's ADA Commission could provide guidance on how to get the City to take action, and that it may not be the property owner's responsibility since the issue is not repair, but rather a gap in an otherwise continuous sidewalk.

## Item 4. Oakland Municipal Code Changes: Bicycle Registration and Licensing

Commissioner Prinz reported that the Ordinance to change Oakland's bicycle registration and licensing requirements is headed to City Council in December for approval (on consent calendar). This item was presented at the June 2016 BPAC meeting. He outlined the specific changes and rationale for the update, including advantages of moving to an online bike registration system and significant cost savings to the City. He noted that the Oakland Police Department is supportive. Bob Fearman asked whether there still be an identifying sticker; Robert responded that the stickers will no longer be provided (though that information can still be used to identify stolen bikes) and said that a bike's serial number and other identifiable characteristics will be used.

#### Item 5. Bi-annual bike project status overview

Jennifer Stanley gave an overview of the bikeway projects tracking packet which is typically shared with BPAC twice annually. Comments included:

- In the BPAC review column, use date instead of check mark for projects reviewed.
- Requests for review are tracked in the online Google document accessible for view by Commissioners.
- In addition to providing current status, the document should highlight changes since the last report.
- Missing projects include Telegraph Complete Streets Phase 2, the Claremont HSIP project, and, on the map, recent bike lanes on Beaumont Ave and on W MacArthur Blvd, BART frontage road to Telegraph Ave.
- Request to add tracking for bike path projects, and intersection improvement projects.
- Request to present paving coordination information at the same time.

Specific projects requested for review: Clay St and Fruitvale Ave.

#### Other discussion:

- Brandie Albright inquired about the pending bike lane/road diet project on Martin Luther King Jr Way, W Grand Ave to 40<sup>th</sup> St, specifically when it would be completed (anticipated by spring 2017) and whether it could be extended north of 40<sup>th</sup> St. Staff suggested that the upcoming Bicycle Master Plan (BMP) update process is the best venue for adding this street to the proposed bikeway network.
- Angela Gennino asked about the outreach proposed for the BMP. Iris Starr responded that there will be outreach once the project starts.
- In response to Bob Fearman's complaint about bad paving on Tidewater Dr and Keith Ave, staff responded that the recent passage of Measure KK will increase the City's paving budget to address streets in dire condition which are now only paved when they are added to the "worst streets" list by individual Council members. Staff further explained that the City's Five-Year Paving Plan dictates paving priorities and inquiries about priorities and online resources should be directed to the Pavement Management Program staff.

#### **Item 6. BPAC Commissioner Recruitment**

The Commission expressed interest in reviewing Commissioner applications.

→ A motion to *form a committee to review Commissioner applications and bring*recommendations back to the Commission in December was made (Tabata), seconded (Burnette, Jr), and approved with all voting in favor and none abstaining.

The committee will consist of Commissioners Kidd and McWilliams, and volunteer Amanda Leahy.

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

Commissioner Kidd criticized City staff for holding public meetings on the Park Blvd Bikeway project with insufficient notice to BPAC, with one of the two meetings held on same night as the BPAC meeting. He said that it is indicative of a pattern of non-consideration during project development. He asked the BPAC to authorize him to draft and send a letter to the Public Works Committee detailing these issues.

→ A motion to authorize Commissioner Kidd to write a letter to the Public Works Committee outlining BPAC's role and other issues, to be reviewed by other Commissioner prior to

**sending** was made (Tabata), seconded (Hwang), and approved with all voting in favor and none abstaining.

Commissioner Kidd also asked that the report back on the recently passed bond measure detail how the city plans to manage allocations with various funding sources in a way that the public can understand.

# Suggestions for meeting topics:

- Bike to Work Day planning
- Bike Master Plan process and community involvement
- Bike Share implementation status
- Temporary traffic control for pedestrians

#### Announcements:

- A presentation on the East Bay Greenway project at the Alameda County Transportation
  Commission (ACTC) BPAC, originally scheduled for last week, was rescheduled for December 14,
  5:30 pm. (Agenda packet is at
  <a href="http://www.alamedactc.org/files/managed/Document/19860/BPAC\_Agenda\_20161214\_hyperlinked.pdf">http://www.alamedactc.org/files/managed/Document/19860/BPAC\_Agenda\_20161214\_hyperlinked.pdf</a>.)
- Robert Prinz reported that he was informed that the City was installing more stanchions and signage on Telegraph Ave (protected bike lanes section) in mid-December, and that bike lane striping is underway on Oak St, Madison St, 8<sup>th</sup> St, 9<sup>th</sup> St, and 20th St.
- Midori Tabata expressed concern that the final report to the San Leandro Creek Trail advisory committee is scheduled for December 13 and that the Oakland BPAC won't get to weigh in on alignment. (A presentation to the Oakland BPAC is scheduled for December after the final advisory committee meeting.)

# Item 8. Planning While Black, Video and Discussion

The video was screened and there was no time for discussion.

Meeting adjourned at 8:15.

Minutes recorded by Jennifer Stanley, City of Oakland Bicycle & Pedestrian Facilities Coordinator, emailed to meeting attendees for review on November 21, 2016, with comments requested by Tuesday, November 29 to <a href="mailto:jstanley@oaklandnet.com">jstanley@oaklandnet.com</a>. Minutes were approved at the December 2016 meeting.