

TRANSPORTATION AGENCY FOR MONTEREY COUNTY (TAMC)
Bicycle and Pedestrian Facilities Advisory Committee
Final Minutes of April 6, 2016
Held in the Sand City Council Chambers
55 Plaza Cir., Suite-B, Salinas, CA

Voting Members	AUG 15	SEP 15	OCT 15	NOV 15	JAN 16	FEB 16	MAR 16	APR 16
Eric Petersen, District 1, Chair	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P
Jerry Ramos – District 2			E	E	-	E	E	E
Jeff Wriedt, District 4 (<i>Frank Henderson</i>)	P	P	P(A)	P	P	P	E	P
Jeff Lindenthal, District 5 (<i>Geof Tibbitts</i>)	P	P	E	E	P	P	P	P
D. L. Johnson , Carmel-By-The Sea	P	P	-	E	P	P	P	P
Susan Ragsdale-Cronin, Del Rey Oaks	P	P	P	P	P	E	E	E
Gonzales - Vacant	-	-	-	-	-	-		-
Greenfield - Vacant	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Michael LeBarre, King City	-	-	-	-	-	P-	P	P
Bernard Green, Marina, Vice Chair (<i>Debra Daniels</i>)	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P
Monterey - Vacant,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Linda Petersen, Pacific Grove (<i>Tony Prock</i>)	P	P	P	P	TC	P	P	P
Chris Flescher, Salinas	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P
Sand City - Vacant	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Jan Valencia, Seaside	P	P	E	E	P	P	P	P
Soledad - Vacant	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
David Craft, MBUAPCD	-	P	P	P	P	P	-	P
Lisa Rheinheimer, Monterey Salinas Transit					P	P	P	P
Bill Boosman, Velo Club of Monterey (<i>Vera Noghera</i>)	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P
Ted Lopez, FORA (<i>Jonathan Brinkmann</i>)	-	P(A)	P(A)	E	P	P	P	P
N. County Recreation & Park District - Vacant	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
James Serrano, Salinas Public Works	-	-	P	-	-	-	-	-
Raul Martinez – County Public Works (<i>Ryan Chapman</i>)	P	P	P	P	P	-	P(A)	P
Adam Fukushima, Caltrans - District 5	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Cody Meyer –AMBAG (<i>Sasha Tepedelenova</i>)	-	-	-	-	-	P(A)	-	-
Kevin Cole, Pebble Beach Company	E	E	P	P	E	E	P	-
Brian Cook, CSUMB	P	P	P	E	P	P	P	P

E – Excused **VC – Video Conference**
P(A) – Alternate **TC – Teleconference**

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TRANSPORTATION AGENCY STAFF								
Debbie Hale, Executive Director	E	E	E	E	E	E	E	E
Todd Muck, Deputy Executive Director	E	E	P	E	E	E	E	E
Ariana Green, Associate Transportation Planner	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P
Virginia Murillo, Asst. Transportation Planner	-	P	-	P	P	P	P	P
Maria Montiel, Administrative Assistant	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P

OTHERS PRESENT:

Mari Lynch Member of Public Mac Gregor Eddy Columnist, Salinas Californian

1. Chair Eric Petersen called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m. A quorum was established and self-introductions were made.

2. **PUBLIC COMMENTS**

None this month.

3. **BEGINNING OF CONSENT AGENDA**

M/S/C LeBarre/Boosman/unanimous

3.1 Approved minutes of the Bicycle and Pedestrian Facilities Advisory Committee meeting of March 2, 2016.

END OF CONSENT AGENDA

4. **COUNTY OF MONTEREY CYCLE 3 ACTIVE TRANSPORTATION PROGRAM**

The Committee received a report on County of Monterey Cycle 3 Active Transportation Program applications and provided input on application content.

Ariana Green, Transportation Planner reported that the Active Transportation Program is the primary source of competitive grant State funding for bicycle and pedestrian projects. She noted that the County will be submitting three Active Transportation Program applications.

Raul Martinez, Monterey County Public Works reported on the three Active Transportation Program applications this funding cycle to improve bicycle and pedestrian infrastructure in Moss Landing part of the Monterey Bay Sanctuary Scenic Trail, Las Lomas, San Lucas and San Ardo.

Las Lomas Bicycle & Pedestrian Path Project:

The project consist of pedestrian and bike lane improvements accompanied by drainage improvements and public parking upgrades within the existing public right-of-way, and property acquisition for new retaining walls. He noted that the total project cost is \$2.2 million.

Moss Landing Segment Project

The project consists of a 0.80 mile portion of the Monterey Bay Sanctuary Scenic Trail (MBSST or Trail) through the Moss Landing area, between Moss Landing Road and the existing section of trail at North Harbor. The current route for bicycle and pedestrian traffic is on the shoulders of SR1. He noted that the Monterey Bay Sanctuary Scenic Trail will be a bicycle and pedestrian pathway that spans the entire coast of the Monterey Bay National Marine Sanctuary, from Pacific Grove to Santa Cruz. He noted that total project cost is \$12.4 million and have secured funding of \$4.3million and coastal conservancy of \$1.5 million and need additional funding of \$6.6 million.

Ariana Green noted that the Moss Landing is a segment of the Monterey Bay Sanctuary Scenic Trail, a long term shared bicycle and pedestrian path plan connecting the Monterey Bay to Santa Cruz. Parts of the trail are already constructed, and the Moss Landing segment is a part of the gap segments that would improve connectivity to existing sections. Committee members requested an update on the Monterey Bay Sanctuary Scenic Trail project.

San Lucas and San Ardo Schools pedestrian paths project:

The project consists of widening road and pedestrian and bike lane improvements accompanied by drainage improvements. He noted that they we are working on expanding service to unincorporated communities along US 101 South of King City.

The Committee had the following comments and suggestions on the County of Monterey Cycle 3 Active Transportation Program projects:

- Consider doing the San Lucas and San Ardo projects even if Active Transportation Program funds are not awarded
- Consider incorporating disadvantaged community aspects into the application
- Consider prioritizing due to safety
- Consider promoting health issues for different applications
- Consider using matching funds on all projects
- Address cultural issues in the right-of-way phase of the Moss Landing Segment Project

5. PACIFIC GROVE HIGHWAY 68 CORRIDOR STUDY

The Committee received an update on the Pacific Grove Highway 68 Corridor Study; and provided input on draft conceptual designs.

Ariana Green, Transportation Planner reported that the Transportation Agency is partnership with the City of Pacific Grove and Caltrans is conducting a study of the State Route 68 Corridor in Pacific Grove to identify improvements that will provide safer access for all modes of travel. She noted that the study area includes State Route 68 between the Pacific Grove city limits and Asilomar Boulevard, and is divided into two distinct segments. She expressed that each segment has different land uses, features and user needs. She noted that the initial outreach phase of the study included presentations to the Transportation Agency Board, TAMC Bicycle & Pedestrian Facilities Advisory Committee, Pacific Grove City Council, and Pacific Grove Planning Commission. The input and data collected culminated in an existing conditions report and needs assessment currently being reviewed by the public. In conclusion Ms. Green noted that they are looking at ways to improve access for all modes of travel on Forest Avenue and Sunset Drive through Pacific Grove; especially access for pedestrians and bicyclists. She noted that the next stage of the Pacific Grove SR 68 Corridor Study is to review conceptual designs for the corridor based on the needs assessment and with input from the community. She announced that a community workshop is planned for Tuesday, April 19, 2016 from 6:30-8 p.m. at the Butterfly Church on Sunset Avenue, Pacific Grove to discuss the draft conceptual designs.

The Committee had the following comments and suggestions on the Pacific Grove Highway 68 Corridor Study:

- Consider door zones
- Consider using buffers to slow down traffic
- Consider accommodating large delivery trucks
- Consider minimizing driveways on highway 68
- Consider good signage before approaching a roundabout
- Consider continental crosswalks

6. **2016 ACTIVE TRANSPORTATION PLAN**

The Committee provided input on the 2016 Active Transportation Plan objectives, programs and ranking criteria for selection of high priority projects. The Committee participated in a voting exercise to rank the draft criteria.

Virginia Murillo, Assistant Transportation Planner reported that the 2016 Active Transportation will be an update of the 2011 Bicycle and Pedestrian master plan. The plan will focus on updating the plan to meet the State's guidelines for Active Transportation Plans and identifying high priority bicycle and pedestrian projects. She noted that Transportation Agency plans to hire a consultant to develop conceptual plans and cost estimates for the highest priority projects in order to make these high priority projects more competitive for State and Federal funding. In conclusion Ms. Murillo displayed some examples of how some projects ranked.

The Committee participated in a voting exercise to rank the draft criteria. The Committee offered the following input:

- Use a combination of sliding scale and all or nothing to assign points
- Assign safety, connectivity and increasing bike/walking trips the most points

7. **GOLDEN HELMET AWARD**

The Committee discussed revival of the Golden Helmet Award.

Ariana Green, Assistant Transportation Planner reported that the Golden Helmet Award recognized a local bicyclist for his/her dedication for using bicycle commuting and inspired others to utilize alternative transportation modes. The winner has traditionally been awarded a certificate at the April TAMC Board of Directors meeting and a \$100 gift certificate to a local bike shop of choice. The committee noted that Agency staff work with elementary/ high schools, organizations that live and work in Monterey County. The Committee suggested the item be brought back with Transportation Agency proposals.

8. **BIKE MONTH 2016**

The Committee received an update on the bike month 2016.

Ariana Green, Associate Transportation Planner reported on the 2016 bike month. She noted that the following events will be on the poster:

- Adult Bike Safety Trainings
- Northern California Junior Road Race Championships
- Salinas Criterium (Northern California Junior Criterium Road Race Championships)
- Salinas Ride to City Council
- National Bike to School Day
- MORCA Bike Month Beginners Ride
- National Bike to Work Week
- Salinas Panel Discussion - Salinas Neighbors United
- National Bike to Work Day
- Bike to Shop Day
- Seaside Panel Discussion - Monterey Peace and Justice Center
- Salinas Community Ride 6pm- Salinas City Hall
- HER Helmet Thursdays
- Twilight Rides
- National Bike Challenge

9. **ANNOUNCEMENTS AND/OR COMMENTS**

Chris Flescher announced that the Sunday streets event in San Francisco start this weekend.

Mari Lynch announced that ten women launched this crowdfunding campaign, which is Bicycling Monterey's 1st fundraiser. She expressed the BikeMonterey.org is an information HUB for Biking Monterey County. She noted that you can contribute at the following www.gofundme.com/bikemonterey.

Maria Montiel announced that today is Ariana's birthday.

Ariana Green announced that she will be having twins and due in October. She noted that Virginia Murillo will be her backup. She also noted that Transportation Agency will be sharing a booth at the Sea Otter Classics.

Jeff Lindenthal announced that they will be racing again on Sunday.

10. **ADJOURNMENT**

Chair Petersen adjourned the meeting at 8:22 pm