

TRANSPORTATION AGENCY FOR MONTEREY COUNTY (TAMC)
Bicycle and Pedestrian Facilities Advisory Committee
Final Minutes of March 1, 2017
Held at the Sand City Council Chambers
1 Sylvan Way, Sand City, CA

Voting Members	JUN 16	AUG 16	SEP 16	OCT 16	NOV 16	JAN 17	FEB 17	MAR 17
Eric Petersen, District 1, Past Chair	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P
Jerry Ramos – District 2	E	-	-	E	-	-	E	-
Jeff Wriedt, District 4 <i>(Frank Henderson)</i>	P	P(A)	P	P	P	P	P	P
Jeff Lindenthal, District 5 <i>(Geof Tibbitts)</i>	P	E	P	P	E	P	E	-
D. L. Johnson , Carmel-By-The Sea	P	-	P	P	E	-	P	P
Del Rey Oaks - vacant	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Gonzales - Vacant	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Greenfield - Vacant	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Michael LeBarre, King City	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	-
Vacant, Marina, <i>(Debra Daniels)</i>	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Monterey - Vacant,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Linda Petersen, Pacific Grove <i>(Tony Prock)</i>	P	P	P	E	P	E	P	P
Chris Flescher, Salinas, Chair <i>(Mark Lasnik)</i>	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P
Sand City - Vacant	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Jan Valencia, Seaside <i>(Ralph Wege)</i>	P	P	P	P	-	P	P	P
Soledad - Vacant	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
David Craft, MBUAPCD	P	P	P	P	P	-	-	P
Lisa Rheinheimer, Monterey Salinas Transit - Vice Chair	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	-
Bill Boosman, Velo Club of Monterey <i>(Vera Noghera)</i>	P(A)	P(A)	P(A)	P(A)	P	P	P	P
Mary Israel, FORA <i>(Jonathan Brinkmann)</i>	P	-	-	P	P	P	P	P
N. County Recreation & Park District - Vacant	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
James Serrano, Salinas Public Works	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Raul Martinez – County Public Works	P	E	P	-	P	P	E	P
Caltrans - District 5	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
–AMBAG <i>(Sasha Tepedelenova)</i>	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Vacant, Pebble Beach Company	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Brian Cook, CSUMB <i>(Matthew McCluney)</i>	P	P	P	P	E	P(A)	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	-
Todd Muck, Deputy Executive Director	E	E	P	-	P	E	P	P
Ariana Green, Associate Transportation Planner	P	P	E	E	E	E	E	-
Virginia Murillo, Transportation Planner	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P
Maria Montiel, Administrative Assistant	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P
Grant Leonard, Transportation Planner								P

OTHERS PRESENT:

Matthew McCluney	CSUMB - Alternate	Tim Meehen	Monterey Resident
Ralph Wege	Seaside - Alternate	Andrea Renny	City of Monterey staff
John Pulliam	City of Monterey consultant		

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

2. **PUBLIC COMMENTS**

Committee alternate Ralph Wege requested an update on bicyclist access in the City of Marina's Imjin Highway 1 onramp project.

3. **BEGINNING OF CONSENT AGENDA**

M/S/C Israel/ L. Petersen/unanimous

- 3.1 Approved minutes of the Bicycle and Pedestrian Facilities Advisory Committee meeting of February 1, 2017 with minor edits noted from Committee member Mary Israel.

END OF CONSENT AGENDA

4. **NORTH FREMONT STREET IMPROVEMENT PROJECT UPDATE**

The Committee received a report on North Fremont Street Transit and Bicycle and Pedestrian Network Improvements.

Andrea Renny, City of Monterey staff, reported on the North Fremont Street project, which is funded by a State Active Transportation Program grant. She noted that it is an important connector between Monterey and Seaside for transit, bicyclists and pedestrians. She noted that the neighborhoods directly adjacent to North Fremont Street contain a substantial number of low-income households that rely on transit, bicycling or walking for transportation. The purpose of the project is to provide safe access for all users of the corridor including disadvantaged residents, and vision and mobility-impaired groups.

Ms. Renny noted that the City of Monterey has been working on refining the project based on the Committee's previous comments, and based on other community and stakeholder input. She reported that the project has completed the right-of-way acquisition phase, and is nearing completion of project design. Ms. Renny noted that construction is scheduled to begin in December/January and last for twelve to eight months.

Committee member E. Petersen asked if bicyclists would be allowed to ride on the street. Ms. Renny said bicyclists would now have the option of riding on the protected bike median and would still be allowed to ride on the street.

Committee member Craft asked about maintenance. Ms. Renny said city maintenance staff would likely maintain the protected North Fremont median bike lanes.

The Committee had the following comments and suggestions on the N. Fremont Street Transit and Bicycle and Pedestrian Network Improvements project:

- o Consider educating the community on how to use the enhanced pedestrian crossings
- o Consider installing signage to guide bicyclists and pedestrians
- o Consider working with Caltrans on the Canyon Del Rey Oaks Blvd intersection improvements, and partnering with Seaside to extend improvements to Fremont Blvd in Seaside

5. BICYCLE SECURE PROGRAM GRANT APPLICATION

M/S/C Johnson/ Wriedt/unanimous
Abstain: Mary Israel

The Committee recommended the applications for approval by the Transportation Agency Board of Directors at its March 22 meeting, and recommended the reserve funding be made available to purchase additional equipment on a case by case basis throughout the year.

Grant Leonard, Transportation Planner, reported that on December 7, 2016 the Agency released the call for 2017 Bicycle Secure Program applications. He noted that the Transportation Agency received eight applications, requesting a total of 19 bicycle racks, one request for artistic bicycle rack funding, one bicycle station, and 11 skateboard racks. The Agency received applications from:

- King City Library
- Castroville Library
- City of Marina,
- Seaside Middle School
- Monterey Library
- Bay View Academy
- Pacific Grove Middle School
- Monterey Air Resource District

All the 2017 applicants have demonstrated a need for bicycle or skateboard parking facilities, as well as the potential for usage. However the Monterey Air Resources District acknowledged in their application that their location sees limited bicycle traffic, and that the bicycle repair station was a low priority for them.

In conclusion Mr. Leonard noted that once the Transportation Agency Board of Directors approve the applications, staff will purchase additional equipment on a case by case basis throughout the

year. All racks are to be installed within one month of receipt by the applicant, unless other arrangements have been made with the Transportation Agency staff. Also he noted that the Bicycle Secure Program Grant applications are still open and the Transportation Agency staff is willing to assist those who are interested in applying.

The Committee had the following comments on the Bicycle Secure Program Grant Applications:

- Consider funding unmet needs from last years
- Consider for future lockers for segways

6. **GOLDEN HELMET AWARD**

The Committee received an update on the Golden Helmet Award; and recommended three Committee members to be part of the Golden Helmet Award subcommittee.

Virginia Murillo, Transportation Planner reported that the purpose of the Golden Helmet Award has been to recognize Monterey County residents who advocate for and encourage bicycling. The aim of this award is to kick-off the annual countywide bike week events, highlight the benefits of bicycle commuting and inspire others to utilize alternative transportation modes. She noted that the Golden Helmet Award Program will follow this process:

- Agency releases a request for nominations;
- Agency receives nominations that are then reviewed and ranked by a subcommittee; comprised of members from the Bicycle and Pedestrian Facilities Advisory Committee which then recommends a winner to the Transportation Agency Board and;
- The winner is presented an award at the April TAMC Board meeting to kick-off Bike Month in May.

The following Committee members were appointed to serve on the subcommittee to review and rank the applications:

1. Chris Flescher
2. D.L. Johnson
3. Jan Valencia

7. **ANNOUNCEMENTS AND/OR COMMENTS**

Committee member Eric Petersen announced that the Salinas Criterium will be on May 7th near the Salinas Airport off Moffet Street.

8. **ADJOURNMENT**

Chair Flescher adjourned the meeting at 6:57 p.m.