



Regional Transportation Planning Agency - Local Transportation Commission
Monterey County Service Authority for Freeways & Expressways
Monterey County Regional Development Impact Fee Joint Powers Agency
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BICYCLE AND PEDESTRIAN FACILITIES ADVISORY COMMITTEE

Wednesday, March 2, 2022

****6:00 PM****

REMOTE CONFERENCING ONLY

There will be NO physical location of the meeting.

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1. ROLL CALL

Call to order and self-introductions. Committee bylaws specify that a quorum shall consist of a majority (7) of the number of voting memberships actually filled at that time (13); the existence of any vacancies shall not be counted for purposes of establishing a quorum. If you are unable to attend, please contact the Transportation Agency. Your courtesy to the other Committee members to assure a quorum is appreciated.

2. PUBLIC COMMENTS

Any member of the public may address the Committee on any item not on the agenda but within the jurisdiction of the Committee. Under this item, each member of

the public is allowed three minutes to address concerns. Comments in items on this agenda may be given when that agenda item is discussed. Persons who wish to address the Committee for public comment or on an item on the agenda are encouraged to submit comments in writing to Maria at maria@tamcmonterey.org by 5:00 pm the Monday before the meeting, and such comments will be distributed to the Committee before the meeting.

3. BEGINNING OF CONSENT AGENDA

Approve the staff recommendations for items listed below by majority vote with one motion. Any member may pull an item off the Consent Agenda to be moved to the end of the **CONSENT AGENDA** for discussion and action.

3.1 APPROVE minutes of the Bicycle and Pedestrian Facilities Advisory Committee meeting of February 2, 2022.

- Montiel

END OF CONSENT AGENDA

4. RECEIVE update and **PROVIDE** input as to positions on proposed state legislation.

- Watson

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- Strause

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emergency declared by Governor Newsom, allowing the Transportation Agency Board of Directors and Committees to meet remotely, will expire on March 31, 2022.

7. ANNOUNCEMENTS and/or COMMENTS

8. ADJOURN

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Next Committee meeting:

Wednesday, April 6, 2022 at 6pm

Important Meeting Information

Remote Meetings: On March 12, 2020, Governor Newsom issued Executive Order N-25-20, which enhanced State and Local Governments ability to respond to COVID-19 Pandemic based on Guidance for Gatherings issued by the California Department of Public Health. The Executive Order specifically allowed local legislative bodies to hold meetings via teleconference and to make meetings accessible electronically, in order to protect public health. That order expired on September 30, 2021. Governor Newsom has now signed AB 361, and the TAMC Board of Directors approved a resolution to enact AB 361 on September 22, 2021. This legislation permits teleconferencing for Brown Act meetings during a state of emergency. Thus, TAMC meetings will convene remotely, until further notice. For remote meetings, the public is strongly encouraged to use the Zoom app for best reception. Prior to the meeting, participants should download the Zoom app at: <https://zoom.us/download>. A link to simplified instruction for the use of the Zoom app is: <https://blog.zoom.us/wordpress/2018/07/03/video-communications-best-practice-guide/>.

Remote Meeting Public Comment: Due to current circumstances, there may be limited opportunity to provide verbal comments during remote meetings. Persons who wish to address the Committee for public comment or on an item on the agenda are encouraged to submit comments in writing to maria@tamcmonterey.org by 5:00pm the Monday before the meeting. Such comments will be distributed to the Committee before the meeting. Members of the public participating by Zoom are instructed to be on mute during the proceedings and to speak only when public comment is allowed, after requesting and receiving recognition from the Chair.

Agenda Packet and Documents: Any person who has a question concerning an item on this agenda may call or email the Agency office to make inquiry concerning the nature of the item described on the agenda. Complete agenda packets are on display online at the Transportation Agency for Monterey County website. Documents relating to an item on the open session that are distributed to the Committee less than 72 hours prior to the meeting shall be available for public review at the Agency website. Agency contact information is as follows:

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TEL: 831-775-0903

EMAIL: info@tamcmonterey.org

Agenda Items: The agenda will be prepared by Agency staff and will close at noon nine (9) working days before the regular meeting. Any member of the Committee may request in writing an item to appear on the agenda. The request shall be made by the agenda deadline and any supporting papers must be furnished by that time or be readily available.

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CORRESPONDENCE, MEDIA CLIPPINGS, & REPORTS

Correspondence

Media Clipping

- M 1. RECEIVE** media clippings attached online.

Reports - No items this month.



Memorandum

To: Bicycle and Pedestrian Facilities Advisory Committee
From: Maria Montiel, Administrative Assistant
Meeting Date: March 2, 2022
Subject: **Draft February Minutes**

RECOMMENDED ACTION:

APPROVE minutes of the Bicycle and Pedestrian Facilities Advisory Committee meeting of February 2, 2022.

ATTACHMENTS:

- ▣ Draft February BPC Minutes

**TRANSPORTATION AGENCY FOR MONTEREY COUNTY (TAMC)
Bicycle and Pedestrian Facilities Advisory Committee**

Draft Minutes of February 2, 2022

Held remotely via Zoom due to COVID-19 pandemic

Voting Members	JUN 21	JUL 21	AUG 21	SEP 21	OCT 21	NOV 21	JAN 22	FEB 22
Eric Petersen, District 1	-	N	P	P	P	P	P	A
Pete Scudder – District 2 <i>(David Tavarez)</i>	P	O	P	P	P	E	P	P
Mike Novo – District 3, Chair	P		P	P	P	P	P	P
Jeff Wriedt, District 4 <i>(Frank Henderson)</i>	E	M	E	P	P	P	P	P
Martin Wegenstein, District 5, Vice Chair <i>(Jeff Lindenthal)</i>	P	E	P	P	P	P	P	P
D. L. Johnson, Carmel-By-The Sea	P	E	P	P	P	P	P	A
Celine Pinet, Del Rey Oaks	P	T	P	P	P	P	E	P
Gonzales - Vacant	-	I	-	-	-	-	-	-
Ernest Gallardo, Greenfield	P	N	E	P	P	P	P	P
Michael LeBarre, King City	P	G	P	P	P	P	P	P
Vacant, Marina	P		P	P	P	P		-
Gino Garcia, Monterey <i>(Abby Ostovar)</i>	P		P	P	P	P	P	P
Natalie Popovich, Pacific Grove <i>(Jung Hwa Kim)</i>	P		P	P	P	P	P	P
Chris Flescher, Salinas <i>(Mark Lasnik)</i>	P		P	P	P	P	P	P
Elizabeth (Libby) Sofer, Sand City	P		P	P	P	P	P	P
Ralph Wege, Seaside <i>(Jan Valencia)</i>	P		P	P	P	P	P	P(A)
Soledad - Vacant	-		-	-	-	-	-	-
Sloan Campi, Monterey Salinas Transit	P		P	E	P	P	P	P
Vera Noghera, Velo Club of Monterey <i>(Alex Capelli)</i>	P		-	P	P	-	P	E
Grant Leonard, N. County Recreation & Park District	P		P	P	P	P	P	P
Vacant - Salinas Public Works	-		-	-	-	-	-	-
Vacant – Monterey County Public Works	-		-	-	-	-	-	-
Caltrans - District 5	-		-		-	-	-	-
Miranda Taylor, AMBAG <i>(Will Condon)</i>	P		P	P	P	P	P	P
Matthew McCluney - CSUMB	P		P	P	P	P	P	P

E – Excused
P(A) – Alternate
A - Absent

VC – Video Conference
TC – Teleconference

TRANSPORTATION AGENCY STAFF	JUN 21	JUL 21	AUG 21	SEP 21	OCT 21	NOV 21	JAN 22	FEB 22
Todd Muck, Executive Director	P		E	E	E	P	P	E
Ariana Green, Principal Transportation Planner	-		-	E	P	P	P	E
Maria Montiel, Administrative Assistant	P		P	P	P	P	P	P
Mike Zeller, Director of Proqraming and Project Delivery	-		P	E	E	E	E	E
Laurie Williamson, Senior Engineer	P		-	E	E	E	E	E
Christina Watson, Director of Planning	-		-	P	E	P	E	P
Janneke Strause, Transportation Planner							P	P
Aaron Hernandez, Assistant Transportation Planner				P	P	P	P	
Alissa Guther, Assistant Transportation Planner						P	P	
OTHERS PRESENT:								
Andrea Renny	City of Monterey			Jung Hwa Kim		Pacific Grove Alternate		
Steve Wittry	City of Monterey							

1. Chair Mike Novo called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m. A quorum was established, and Maria Montiel took roll call.

2. **PUBLIC COMMENTS**

None.

3. **BEGINNING OF CONSENT AGENDA**

M/S/C Wriedt/ Wegenstein/unanimous

3.1 Approved minutes of the Bicycle and Pedestrian Facilities Advisory Committee meeting of January 5, 2022.

END OF CONSENT AGENDA

4. **MARINA PARKING LOT IMPROVEMENT PROJECT**

The Committee received a report on the Marina Parking Lot Improvement Project.

Andrea Renny, City of Monterey noted that the City of Monterey is finalizing design of a major parking lot improvement project, the Marina Parking Lot, which serves Downtown Monterey, Fisherman's Wharf and Municipal Wharf 2.

Steve Wittry, City of Monterey reported that the project includes a major pavement rehabilitation treatment to extend the useful life of the pavement. The city is changing parking pay stations and combining the Waterfront and Marina Parking Lot into one large surface parking lot. This project will also improve parking circulation by combining the two existing parking long and reconfiguring the Marina Lot, with the objective of reducing the number of vehicles circulating and idling in the parking lot. ADA improvements are also included in the project to improve access to the businesses at Municipal Wharf 2. The proposed realignment of the Rec Trail will improve visibility of Rec Trail users. Each conflict zone between the Rec Trail and a parking lot driveway will have a raised crosswalk. The city will determine whether the parking lots will be Pay-per-Space or have an automated ticketing system with entrance and exit gates. In conclusion Mr. Wittry noted that the Marina Parking Lot reconfiguration will go to construction in Fall 2022.

The Committee had the following comments and input on the Marina Parking Lot Improvement Project:

- Consider a diverse design that will prioritize pedestrians and bicyclist
- Suggest adding lighting and signage to tell drivers there are cyclists
- Consider safety measures instead like traffic signal or flashing light
- Consider moving bicyclist and pedestrians away from poor driver behavior
- Consider the wider trail
- Consider not moving the rec trail
- Consider adding signage and flashing lights instead
- Concerned with bicyclist being hit by vehicles
- Suggest a flashing light on the turning right exit parking lot crossing lane
- Consider bike and pedestrian safety
- Like the single lane crossing
- Provide pedestrian connections within the parking lot
- If we make it more difficult for cars, maybe people would choose different modes of transportation
- Added conflict zones out of the parking lot are going to be an issue
- Concerned about pedestrians crossing and the vehicle lanes at the Dust Bowl
- The blue line is better because the curve helps slow cyclists and drivers can see cyclists better
- Consider signage on electronic message allows you to change the message and keep drivers interest

5. **ANNOUNCEMENTS AND/OR COMMENTS**

Committee member Sloan Campi announced that Monterey Salinas Transit is conducting a Comprehensive Operational Analysis and its near completion. He noted that the MST Board is expected to adopt the Final Network Plan at the board meeting on February 14, 2022. on February 14 it will be Monterey Salinas Transit

Committee member Ernie Gallardo suggested that Transportation Agency staff reach out and invite the California Highway Patrol for a discussion on the bicycle rider's responsibilities.

6. **ADJOURNMENT**

Chair Novo adjourned the meeting at 7:04 p.m.



Memorandum

To: Bicycle and Pedestrian Facilities Advisory Committee
From: Christina Watson, Director of Planning
Meeting Date: March 2, 2022
Subject: State Legislative Update

RECOMMENDED ACTION:

RECEIVE update and **PROVIDE** input as to positions on proposed state legislation.

SUMMARY:

Staff seeks Committee input on three bills proposed by the state legislature, one about electric bikes, one about environmental exemptions, and one about general plans.

FINANCIAL IMPACT:

This report does not present a direct financial impacts. The bills could have a financial impact on member agencies.

DISCUSSION:

Staff requests Committee input on the following three bills:

Assembly Bill 1909 (Friedman): "Vehicles: bicycle omnibus," would remove the prohibition of class 3 electric bicycles (electric bicycles that feature pedal assist and top off at 28 miles per hour) on a bicycle path or trail and would remove the authority of a local jurisdiction to prohibit class 1 (20 mph max speed and motor work only when pedaling) and class 2 (also 20 mph but has a throttle boost) electric bicycles on these facilities. The bill would instead authorize a local authority to prohibit the operation of a class 3 electric bicycle at a motor-assisted speed greater than 20 miles per hour. This bill also extends the authorization for an electric bike to cross an intersection to a when a "WALK" sign is displayed, unless a bicycle control signal is displayed. This bill would additionally no longer require a bicycle to be licensed and requires a vehicle that is passing or overtaking a vehicle to move over to an adjacent lane of traffic if one is available, before passing or overtaking the bicycle.

Senate Bill 922 (Wiener): "CEQA exemptions; transportation-related projects," would repeal the January 1, 2030, sunset date, to indefinitely continue an exemption from the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) for bicycle transportation plans for an urbanized area for restriping of streets and highways, bicycle parking and storage, signal timing to improve street and highway intersection operations, and related signage for bicycles, pedestrians, and vehicles. The bill also repeals the January 1, 2023 expiration date, to indefinitely continue a CEQA exemption for transit prioritization projects and projects for pedestrian and bicycle facilities or for the institution or increase of new bus rapid transit, bus, or light rail services on public or highway rights-of-way. Provisions relating to projects valued at over \$100 million require additional consideration for displacement of disadvantaged communities and suggest anti-displacement strategies, designs, or actions for those projects for which at least 50% of the project or projects' stops and stations are located in an area at risk of residential displacement and will have a maximum of 15-minute peak headways.

Senate Bill 932 (Portantino): "General plans: circulation element: bicycle and pedestrian plans and traffic calming plans," would require the legislative body, upon any substantive revision of the circulation element, to ensure that a modified circulation element additionally includes bicycle and pedestrian plans and traffic calming plans. This bill would require a county or city to include in its modified circulation element a map of the high injury network within its boundaries and would further require a county or city to identify and prioritize safety improvements that may be implemented within 15 years that would address serious and injurious traffic collisions. This bill would increase or decrease the 15-year implementation period based on whether the measures introduced by a county or city work to reduce its percentage of traffic violence.

Links to the full bill language are online as web attachments.

WEB ATTACHMENTS:

- [Assembly Bill 1909 \(Friedman\): Vehicles: Bicycle omnibus](#)
- [Senate Bill 922 \(Wiener\): CEQA exemptions; transportation-related projects](#)
- [Senate Bill 932 \(Portantino\): General Plans](#)



Memorandum

To: Bicycle and Pedestrian Facilities Advisory Committee
From: Janneke Strause, Transportation Planner
Meeting Date: March 2, 2022
Subject: **2022 Monterey County Bike Map**

RECOMMENDED ACTION:

2022 Monterey County Bike Map

1. **RECEIVE** update on the 2022 Monterey County Bike Map Update; and
2. **PROVIDE** input on the working draft maps and major route changes.

SUMMARY:

Transportation Agency staff began an update to the 2022 Monterey County Bike Map Update in January 2022. The primary updates include adding new and upgraded bikeway facilities that were constructed since the 2016 Bike Map and improving the accessibility for map users at the local level.

FINANCIAL IMPACT:

Funding for the 2022 Bike Map Update includes \$16,000 of local funds in the approved Transportation Agency budget.

DISCUSSION:

The Monterey County Bike Map was last updated in 2016. The 2022 Bike Map Update will include bikeway projects that have been constructed since the previous update. Transportation Agency staff has received project information from local jurisdictions, the County, and Caltrans. Other changes to the map include:

- New route colors
- Added Regional Bicycle Wayfinding Routes as "Regional Bike Routes"
- Added Bike Parking and Bike Shops

In addition to these changes, staff will lead a discussion about adding "Popular Bike Routes" that do not currently have a bike facility. Staff will present working drafts of the updated map to the Committee for feedback and will distribute the maps for review after the meeting.



Memorandum

To: Bicycle and Pedestrian Facilities Advisory Committee
From: Janneke Strause, Transportation Planner
Meeting Date: March 2, 2022
Subject: Return to In-person Meetings

RECOMMENDED ACTION:

DISCUSS the return to in-person Bicycle and Pedestrian Facilities Advisory Committee meetings.

SUMMARY:

It is recommended that the Committee discuss how and where to conduct future in-person meetings, in light of the fact that the COVID-19 pandemic state of emergency declared by Governor Newsom, allowing the Transportation Agency Board of Directors and Committees to meet remotely, will expire on March 31, 2022.

FINANCIAL IMPACT:

None.

DISCUSSION:

On March 12, 2020, Governor Newsom issued Executive Order N-25-20, which enhanced State and Local Governments ability to respond to COVID-19 Pandemic based on Guidance for Gatherings issued by the California Department of Public Health. The Executive Order specifically allowed local legislative bodies to hold meetings via teleconference and to make meetings accessible electronically, in order to protect public health. That order expired on September 30, 2021.

On September 16, 2021, Governor Newsom signed AB 361. This legislation amends the Brown Act to allow meeting bodies subject to the Brown Act to meet via teleconference during a proclaimed state of emergency, rather than under the Brown Act's prior more narrow rules for participation in a meeting by teleconference. AB 361 provides that if a state or local health official recommends social distancing, the TAMC Board of Directors and its Committees may meet remotely, provided that within 30 days of the first meeting after September 30, and every 30 days thereafter, the Board of Directors finds that 1) the Governor's proclaimed state of emergency is still in effect; 2) the Board of Directors has reconsidered the circumstances of the state of emergency, and 3) the state of emergency continues to directly impact the ability of the members to meet in person.

The Governor's state of emergency declaration will expire on March 31, 2022. The Committee's adopted 2022 Committee Calendar indicates the April meeting is to be held in the TAMC conference room. Staff recommends that the Bicycle and Pedestrian Facilities Advisory Committee discuss how to conduct future meetings pursuant to the Brown Act, in the scenario that the declaration is not extended.

Attached is the adopted 2022 Committee Calendar.

ATTACHMENTS:

- 2022 Committee Calendar

2022 CALENDAR OF MEETINGS
BICYCLE AND PEDESTRIAN COMMITTEE MEETINGS
6:00 p.m.-8:00 p.m.

Depending on state law and pandemic status, the meetings may be held via remote conferencing, at the TAMC conference room at 55-B Plaza Circle, Salinas, or other location to be determined in advance of each meeting (the agenda will specify).

Month	Date	Day	Location
January	5	Wednesday	TAMC
February	2	Wednesday	TAMC
March	2	Wednesday	Alt Location
April	6	Wednesday	TAMC
May	4	Wednesday	Alt Location
June	1	Wednesday	TAMC
<i>No July Committee meeting</i>			
August	3	Wednesday	TAMC
September	7	Wednesday	Alt Location
October	5	Wednesday	TAMC
November	2	Wednesday	Alt Location
<i>No December Committee meeting</i>			



Memorandum

To: Bicycle and Pedestrian Facilities Advisory Committee
From: Janneke Strause, Transportation Planner
Meeting Date: March 2, 2022
Subject: **Media Clippings**

RECOMMENDED ACTION:

RECEIVE media clippings attached online.

DISCUSSION:

Local News

- None

Other News of Interest

- [Brown University Students Launch 'Waze for Safe Bike Routes'](#) (Streetsblog USA)
- [Questions, and Some Answers, About Caltrans' New Complete Streets Directive](#) (Streetsblog CAL)