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VC – Video Conference
TC – Teleconference
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** Boosman/ L. Petersen/unanimous  
   Wriedt - Abstain

3.1 Approved minutes of the Bicycle and Pedestrian Facilities Advisory Committee meeting of October 7, 2015.

3.2 Received the call for nominations for the fourteenth annual Transportation Agency Excellence awards to honor individuals, businesses, groups or projects for their efforts to improve the transportation system in Monterey County.

**END OF CONSENT AGENDA**
4. NORTH FREMONT STREET IMPROVEMENT PROJECT UPDATE

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

Andrea Renny, City of Monterey reported that North Fremont Street is an important connector between Monterey and Seaside for transit, bicyclist 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. This population also includes the elderly and those who are visually and/or mobility impaired. She noted that the purpose of the North Freemont Street Transit, Bicycle and Pedestrian Network Improvement project is to provide safe access for all users of the corridor including disadvantaged and vision and mobility-impaired groups. In conclusion Ms. Renny noted that the two feet median will be removed and will install a pork shop intersection. She noted that the project includes North Fremont Street Canyon Del Rey (SR 218) to Casa Verde Way and includes the following intersections:

- Casa Verde Way
- Dela Vina/Airport
- Ramona
- Casanova
- Canyon Del Rey SR 218

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

- Consider bike boxes on Canyon Del Rey and Casa Verde Way
- Consider wayfinding signage from N. Fremont to the greater bicycle and pedestrian network
- Consider red pavement (Sacramento used red pavement) working with Caltrans
- Consider a roundabout at Canyon Del Rey
- Consider buffered bike lanes
5. **BICYCLE SAFETY TRAINING AND BIKE RODEO CONTRACT**

The Committee received a report on Bicycle Safety Trainings and Ecology Action Bike Rodeo Contract; and provided direction to staff on 2016 Bike Rodeo Contract.

Keira Ticus, Ecology Action representative reported that TAMC has contracted with Ecology Action to conduct bicycle safety trainings at elementary schools since 2012. She noted that Ecology Action’s BikeSmart safety trainings include a presentation, classroom instruction and a safety training rodeo. She noted that staff is certified by the League of American Bicyclists, and offer bilingual instruction. Ms. Ticus expressed that they have served 1,266 students with extensive bike safety education and 790 of those students received training in the 2015 calendar year. She noted that every year Ecology Action serves new and additional schools, at which they had an overwhelmingly large percentage of schools request an on-going, annual trainings for their students. They have already had several Monterey County schools contact us regarding scheduling for the Spring. She noted that TAMC funding has been crucial for continuing to serve schools that request Ecology Action’s services, and leverage support for other Monterey County Grants. In 2015, Ecology leveraged TAMC funds to secure additional funding from Monterey Peninsula Foundation and the Community Foundation of Monterey County.

Ariana Green reported that the Transportation Agency has traditionally set aside a small amount of local Transportation Development Act funding for bicycle and pedestrian projects in its annual budget for public education activities and events promoting bicycling, which are an eligible use of these funds. She noted that this fiscal year (15/16), TAMC staff started a pilot program intended to expand the Agency’s ability to teach bicycle safety and skills. To kick-start the program, this fall TAMC coordinated with two local League Cycling Instructors to provide free bicycle skills classes for locals ages 14 and older. In conclusion she noted that in the spring of 2016, TAMC plans to host a League Cycling Instructor training seminar in Monterey County, and sponsor residents to become certified instructors. She noted that the intent of this program is to increase the number of certified bicycle skills instructors in the county to fourteen instructors by July 2016. She noted that by building a network of certified bicycle skill instructors, there will be more opportunities for bicycle safety trainings year-round and across the county.

**M/S/C**  
Wriedt/ Cole  
Abstain: Tim Meehan

Committee member Jeff Wriedt motioned and second by Kevin Cole to continue contracting with Ecology Action to support additional safety trainings in Monterey County in 2016, and continuing a program to build a local network of certified bicycle safety instructors.
6. **2016 MONTEREY COUNTY ACTIVE TRANSPORTATION PLAN**
The Committee received a report and provided comments on the 2016 Monterey County Active Transportation Plan update project scheduled and scope of work.

Virginia Murillo, Assistant Transportation Planner reported that the State Legislature created the Active Transportation Program to encourage increased use of active modes of transportation, such as bicycling and walking. She noted that the Program consolidates various State and Federal active transportation funding programs to: increase to proportion of biking and walking trips, increase safety for non-motorized users, increase mobility for non-motorized users, advance the efforts of regional agencies to achieve greenhouse goals, and enhance public health. She noted that having an updated countywide active transportation plan makes bicycle and pedestrian projects more competitive for grant funding through the State’s Active Transportation Program. The Transportation Agency adopted the most recent Bicycle and Pedestrian Master Plan in 2011. The 2011 Plan identified all existing and proposed bicycle projects and facilities for all of the jurisdictions within Monterey County. Ms. Murillo noted that the 2016 Active Transportation Plan will be an update of the 2011 Bicycle and Pedestrian Master Plan and will include goals and objectives that provide a blueprint for making bicycling and walking an integral part of daily life. In conclusion Ms. Murillo noted that Transportation Agency staff will work with the Bicycle and Pedestrian Committee, the Technical Advisory Committee, staff from each of the jurisdictions and other bicycle and pedestrian community stakeholder groups to identify high priority bicycle and pedestrian projects.

The Committee had the following comments on the 2016 Monterey County Active Transportation Plan:

- Identify bicycle and pedestrian fatality and accident statistics
- Identify high priority projects and regional routes

7. **MONTEREY COUNTY BIKE MAP UPDATE**
The Committee provided input on the draft 2015 Monterey County Bike Map.

Virginia Murillo, Assistant Transportation Planner reported that Transportation Agency staff is working on updating the Monterey County Bicycle map. She noted that the Transportation Agency has periodically produced and distributed a bicycle map of Monterey County as a tool to engage the public in the planning process and promote and encourage bicycling. The Agency last updated its bike map in 2008, which included both existing and planned bicycle facilities. Staff has updated the bike map data in-house, with graphic design and layout assistance for Alta Planning + Design. She noted that the new bike map will only include existing bicycle facilities, and will highlight regional bike routes that will be signed as part of the first phase of implementation of the Regional Bicycle and Pedestrian Wayfinding Plan. In addition, the updated bike map will include slope information, bike rack and locker locations, and the Ford Ord trail network. In conclusion Ms. Murillo noted that the bike map will also have transit station bus stops, and public restroom locations.
The Committee had the following recommendations to the 2015 Monterey County Bike map:

- Consider water resistant paper
- Consider showing bike locker locations
- Consider all trails in Ford Ord area
- Consider removing bike lanes near courthouse (not finished lanes)
- Identify priority projects
- Consider the information on map both English and Spanish
- Consider including Monterey-Salinas Transit frequent transit information
- Consider removing bike parking on the (navigation bar)

8. COMMITTEE CALENDAR AND APPOINTMENTS FOR 2016

The Committee is responsible for appointing a Chair and Vice Chair to serve a one-year term in office.

Ariana Green, Associate Transportation Planner reported that the Bicycle and Pedestrian Facilities Advisory Committee must elect officers and approve its meeting calendar for the next calendar year. She noted that an election is held in November of each year pursuant to the Committee Bylaws. The proposed schedule of meetings for 2016 follows the existing pattern of meetings, occurring on the first Wednesday of the month, from 6 to 8 p.m. except for the months of July and December when all Agency committee meetings are cancelled.

M/S/C Ragsdale-Cronin /Cole /unanimous

Committee member Susan Ragsdale-Cronin nominated Eric Petersen for Chair and the motion was seconded by Committee member Tim Meehan.

M/S/C Petersen /Meehan /unanimous

Committee member Linda Petersen nominated Bernard Green for Vice Chair and Committee member Kevin Cole seconded the motion.
9. **CICLOVIA SALINAS 2015 DEBRIEF**
The Committee received a debrief on Ciclovia Salinas 2015.

Ariana Green, Associate Transportation Planner reported that Ciclovia Salinas is a youth-driven open streets event in its second year. The event was held on October 25th along Alisal Street in Salinas. Transportation Agency staff gave out 48 helmets and educated the community about bicycle safety and laws. In conclusion Ms. Green noted that Bernard Green set up a buffer bike lane with planters borrowed from the McShane nursery that was useful and the community enjoyed riding their bikes through.

Committee member Eric Petersen expressed that the youth volunteers showed great leadership. He noted that they will be leading our community in a few years.

Committee member Bernard Green thanked the Transportation Agency for great for the great collaboration with CSUMB.

Committee member Bill Boosman noted that the buffer using planters was a great experience.

10. **ANNOUNCEMENTS AND/OR COMMENTS**

Committee member Eric Petersen congratulated Transportation Agency staff members Ariana Green and Maria Montiel for receiving an employee of the quarter certificate at the October TAMC Board meeting.

Committee member Tim Meehan announced his resignation and noted that the City of Monterey will need a new committee member to serve on the Bicycle and Pedestrian committee and to represent the City of Monterey.

Committee member Bernard Green announced that a Free Bike Skillz Training on November 14th at Monterey's Trinity High School. He also noted that you must attend one of the trainings in order to proceed and become a certified instructor. The Transportation Agency plans to host a League Cycling Instructor training seminar in Monterey County.

11. **ADJOURNMENT**

Chair Petersen adjourned the meeting at 7:40 pm