BICYCLE AND PEDESTRIAN FACILITIES ADVISORY COMMITTEE (BPC)

Wednesday, February 7, 2018
6:00 PM

TRANSPORTATION AGENCY FOR MONTEREY COUNTY
(TAMC)
Transportation Agency Conference Room

AGENDA

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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

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3. BEGINNING OF CONSENT AGENDA

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3.1 APPROVE minutes of Committee meeting of November 1, 2017.

- Montiel
END OF CONSENT AGENDA

4. Bicycle Secure Program Grant Applications
   1. RECEIVE report on 2018 Bicycle Secure Program applications; and
   2. RECOMMEND applications for Transportation Agency Board approval.
   3. RECOMMEND that surplus funds be made available to pay for additional requests that may be submitted during the year.

   - Leonard

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5. RECEIVE presentation and PROVIDE input on the draft Measure X Safe Routes to School Program.

   -Green

   The Safe Routes to School Program is a Measure X-funded initiative. The proposed Program sets a vision and identifies goals, objectives and types of projects and activities that can be funded.

6. ANNOUNCEMENTS and/or COMMENTS

7. ADJOURN
ANNOUNCEMENTS
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Wednesday March 7, 2018
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Light refreshments will be provided

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CORRESPONDENCE, MEDIA CLIPPINGS, & REPORTS

Correspondence - No items this month.

Media Clipping

M 1. RECEIVE bicycle and pedestrian transportation media clips attached online.

Reports - No items this month.
Memorandum

To: Bicycle and Pedestrian Facilities Advisory Committee  
From: Debra L. Hale, Executive Director  
Meeting Date: February 7, 2018  
Subject: BPC Draft Minutes

RECOMMENDED ACTION:
APPROVE minutes of Committee meeting of November 1, 2017.

ATTACHMENTS:
- BPC Draft November minutes
## TRANSPORTATION AGENCY FOR MONTEREY COUNTY (TAMC)
### Bicycle and Pedestrian Facilities Advisory Committee
#### Draft Minutes of November 1, 2017

Held at the Transportation Agency for Monterey County  
at TAMC office 55-B Plaza Cir., Salinas CA 93901

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Todd Muck, Deputy Executive Director | E | E | E | E | E | E | E | E
Ariana Green, Associate Transportation Planner | E | E | E | E | E | E | E | P
Virginia Murillo, Transportation Planner | P | P | E | E | E | E | E | P
Maria Montiel, Administrative Assistant | P | P | P | P | P | P | P | P

OTHERS PRESENT:
Fernanda Roveri  
Ernie Gallando  
Lisa Beyer  
Patty  

City of Monterey  
City of Greenfield  
Alta Planning + Design  
Monterey County  

Chandra Rapley  
Peter Berridocs  
Brian Jones  

Ecology Action  
Pacific Grove resident  
Alta Planning + Design  

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**
None this month.

3. **BEGINNING OF CONSENT AGENDA**

M/S/C LeBarre /Rheinheimer /unanimous

3.1 Approved minutes of the Bicycle and Pedestrian Facilities Advisory Committee meeting of August 2, 2017 with a few minor corrections and typos noted by Mary Israel, FORA representative.

3.2 Received the call for nominations for the seventeenth 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. **COMMITTEE MEETING CALENDAR AND APPOINTMENTS FOR 2018**

The Committee appointed a committee chair and vice chair, who would serve a one-year term beginning January 2018. The Committee adopted the 2018 Bicycle and Pedestrian Facilities Advisory Committee meeting calendar.

Virginia Murillo, 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 2018 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. The proposed schedule of meetings for 2018 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. She noted that typically we have been having four meetings in the Peninsula at the Sand City Council Chambers and six meetings at the TAMC office.

Committee member LeBarre noted that possibly the Transportation Agency can provide a free bus pass voucher for those who want to attend the Bicycle and pedestrian meeting in South County.

Committee member Rheinheimer expressed to maybe having one meeting in South County next year. Committee member LeBarre noted that we coordinate with a future South County event to bring in the community residents.

LeBarre /Petersen /unanimous

**M/S/C** Committee member LeBarre nominated Committee member Rheinheimer for Chair and Chris Flescher for Vice Chair the motion was seconded by Committee member Linda Petersen.

5. **2018 LEGISLATIVE PROGRAM**

The Committee received a report on draft 2018 Legislative Program.

Virginia Murillo, Transportation Planner reported that the purpose of the legislative program is to set general principles to guide staff and Board responses to proposed legislative or budgetary issues. The Program also notifies state representatives of the Transportation Agency’s position on issues of key importance to the agency. She noted that the 2017 Legislative Program focused on maintaining and augmenting transportation funding. The 2018 Legislative program continues this focus on transportation funding. The Executive Committee discussed this draft program on October 4th and on October 25th, the Board received the draft 2018 Legislative Program and approved releasing the program to Committees for comment. She noted that following the Committee’s review of the draft program in November, the final program will come back to the Executive Committee and Board in January for adoption.

Committee member Eric Petersen noted that AB 1103 (Idaho stop) would authorize a person operating a bicycle approaching a stop sign, after slowing to a reasonable speed and yielding the right-of-way, to cautiously make a turn or proceed through the intersection without stopping, unless...
safety considerations require otherwise. He also noted that AB 694 clarifies to park on right.

6. MONTEREY COUNTY ACTIVE TRANSPORTATION PLAN
The Committee provided input on the draft ranked active transportation project lists and the list of high-priority projects.

Virginia Murillo, Transportation Planner reported that the Active Transportation Plan is an update of the 2011 Bicycle and Pedestrian Master Plan. The focus of the 2017 Plan update is to meet the State Active Transportation Program guidelines, incorporate innovative bicycle facility designs, and promote high priority projects. She noted that the Plan will position high priority projects to be more competitive for grant funding, such as the State’s Active Transportation Program that recently had $240 million available on a competitive basis. She noted that the Transportation Agency staff collected stakeholder and public input from Spring 2016 to Winter 2016. Since the public outreach phase of this project, TAMC staff has met with city and county staff to review the comments received during the public outreach phase and to discuss city priorities. In conclusion Ms. Murillo noted that Transportation Agency staff has developed draft project list rankings for the proposed active transportation plan improvements. She also noted that the rankings are still a work in progress.

Committee members had the following comments and suggestions for the Monterey County Active Transportation Plan:
- Consider bike boulevard for S. County cities
- Consider pictures for visual idea
- Consider prioritizing between their own cities
- Incorporate vision zero to eliminate some possible projects

7. TAKE A KID MOUNTAIN BIKING DAY AND CICLOVIA SALINAS EVENTS
The Committee received a presentation on TAMC’s recent community outreach activities at the annual Take a Kid Mountain Biking Day and Ciclovia Salinas events.

Ariana Green, Associate Transportation Planner reported that she attended a booth at the Take a Kid Mountain Biking Event and distributed safety gear. She noted that staff also participated in this year’s Ciclovia Salinas event and partnered with the City of Salinas to setup a temporary protected bike lane demo and distributed safety gear to children and families. Transportation Agency staff handed out about 50 safety bike lights and 50 bike bells. The Ciclovia Salinas event has gotten bigger and bigger each year.

Committee member Noghera noted that the green paint seems to alert drivers to slow down.

Committee member D.L. Johnson noted that the Holman Highway 68 roundabout is a bit confusing for those going to Pebble Beach.
8. **ANNOUNCEMENTS AND/OR COMMENTS**
Committee member LeBarre announced that the Amgen Tour will be hosting in City of King City next year in the month of May 2018. He invited the committee members to attend the Amgen Tour in King City.

Committee member Eric Petersen noted the following items:
- Santa Clara County has right shoulder bike lanes that we should consider
- No bike racks at the Sand City Council Chambers to use for Committee members and public when having the meeting at that location
- Committee member Ralph Wedge attended the Alta booth and they provided useful information on electric bikes

Committee member Wedge noted that he heard a good information presentation on electric bicycles and noted that electric bikes are getting popular.

9. **ADJOURNMENT**
Chair Flescher adjourned the meeting at 7:22 p.m.
RECOMMENDED ACTION:

Bicycle Secure Program Grant Applications

1. RECEIVE report on 2018 Bicycle Secure Program applications; and
2. RECOMMEND applications for Transportation Agency Board approval.
3. RECOMMEND that surplus funds be made available to pay for additional requests that may be submitted during the year.

SUMMARY:

On December 6, 2017, the Agency released the call for 2018 Bicycle Secure Program applications. The applications were due on February 1, 2018. At the time of publishing for the Agenda, the Agency had received applications from the cities of Marina and Del Rey Oaks.

FINANCIAL IMPACT:

The Transportation Agency’s FY 2017/18 budget has $30,000 in Regional Surface Transportation Program funds designated for the Bicycle Secure Program.

DISCUSSION:

On December 6, 2017, the Agency released the call for 2018 Bicycle Secure Program applications. The applications were due on February 1, 2018. At the time of publishing for the Agenda, the Agency had received two applications, one from the City of Marina and one from the City of Del Rey Oaks. However, additional applications may be received between the printing of the agenda and the February 1 due date.

The Agency received applications from the City of Marina for three double bicycle lockers, for
parking of up to six bicycles. The lockers are proposed to be placed at City Hall to be used by employees for all day parking. The City also requested and received bicycle racks for City hall in last year's Bicycle Secure Program cycle, which were intended to serve the short-term parking needs of visitors to City Hall.

The Agency also received an application from the City of Del Rey Oaks for six inverted U-racks to be placed at City Hall and Del Rey Oaks Park. The racks would be available for both employees and visitors. This is the first time Del Rey Oaks has applied for the Bicycle Secure Program.

Both the 2018 applicants have demonstrated a need for bicycle or skateboard parking facilities, as well as the potential for usage. As such, each applicant has demonstrated that they meet the goals and criteria of the program.

Staff is requesting that the Committee recommend applications for approval by the Transportation Agency Board of Directors at its February 28 meeting, and recommend that any potential reserve funding be made available to purchase additional equipment on a case by case basis throughout the year.

Once the applications have been approved by the Board of Directors, staff will purchase the equipment and oversee the installation process. All the racks are to be installed within one month of receipt by the applicant, unless other arrangements have been made with Agency staff.
Memorandum

To: Bicycle and Pedestrian Facilities Advisory Committee
From: Ariana Green, Associate Transportation Planner
Meeting Date: February 7, 2018
Subject: Measure X Safe Routes to School Program

RECOMMENDED ACTION:
RECEIVE presentation and PROVIDE input on the draft Measure X Safe Routes to School Program.

SUMMARY:
The Safe Routes to School Program is a Measure X-funded initiative. The proposed Program sets a vision and identifies goals, objectives and types of projects and activities that can be funded.

FINANCIAL IMPACT:
The Measure X Safe Routes to School program provides a consistent source of funding over the next 30 years: approximately $667,000 annually, or $20 million over the 30-year life of the program. To broaden the reach of the program, Measure X money will be leveraged to bring in more state and federal dollars to plan and build safe routes to school projects and fund education and encouragement programs.

DISCUSSION:
In 1969, 50% of children walked or bicycled to school. Forty years later, that number has dropped to less than 15%. Roughly 39% commute by school bus, and 45% are driven to or from school in vehicles. Back then, 5% of children between the ages of 6 and 11 were overweight or obese. Today, 20% of children are overweight or obese on average, with that percentage nearing 50% in some communities in Monterey County. These statistics point to a rise in preventable childhood diseases, worsening air quality and congestion around schools caused in large part by the choice to drive.

The Measure X Safe Routes to School program is intended to reverse these trends by funding projects
and programs that improve children’s health by making walking and bicycling safer and easier. The program will result in projects that provide the following benefits: improved safety for children walking and biking to school; better connections between schools, residential areas and vocational training programs; enhanced air quality; and healthier transportation choices for school children and parents. The Measure X Safe Routes to School Program is consistent with local, State and Federal goals to provide safe access to and from school and will apply the 6 E’s to ensure programs and projects funded are comprehensive and inclusive. The Six E’s of Safe Routes to School are: evaluation, engineering, education, encouragement, enforcement and equity.

Central to the success of the Measure X Safe Routes to School program will be the ability to effectively collaborate with other agencies to reach program goals. To ensure regular opportunities for communication and collaboration, agencies and organizations have been invited to participate in a Safe Routes to School Task Force facilitated by TAMC staff. The Task Force will meet quarterly to review Program progress, discuss funding opportunities and provide interagency support.

The proposed program budget includes equal support for both infrastructure and non-infrastructure projects that work toward the 6 E's. The Program is funded through a combination of local, state and federal funds. The draft Measure X Safe Routes to School Guidelines proposes to encourage leveraging of funds by providing grant support including grant writing, conceptual design services and grant matching funds to agencies and organizations applying for state and federal funding.

The Measure X Safe Routes To School Program will greatly expand bicycle and pedestrian safety education with the lofty goal of reaching all 2nd and 5th graders in Monterey County. These bicycle and pedestrian safety educational programs will take place at elementary schools in the Salinas Valley, Marina and Salinas over the next two years. In FY 2019/20, mini grants will be available to fund a variety of activities including school-based safe routes to school encouragement programs, high school bike maintenance shop classes, Bike safety instructor certification, traffic gardens, enhanced traffic safety equipment, crossing guard equipment and training and neighborhood enforcement programs.

The Draft Measure X Safe Routes to School Program Guidelines was reviewed by the Measure X Technical Advisory Committee on January 16, 2018 and will be reviewed by the TAMC Bicycle and Pedestrian Committee, Technical Advisory Committee and Board of Directors in February 2018. The program will officially kick-off in FY 2018/19.

ATTACHMENTS:

☐ Draft Measure X Safe Routes To School Program - Executive Summary

WEB ATTACHMENTS:
Draft Measure X Safe Routes to School Program
SAFE ROUTES TO SCHOOL PROGRAM

MEASURE X SAFE ROUTES TO SCHOOL PROGRAM GUIDELINES

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

Children are at a disadvantage have limited transportation options. Too young to drive, they must rely on an adult to drive them or on other forms of transportation to get around such as transit, carpooling, bicycling and walking. The majority of children are driven to school in Monterey County which is one of the leading causes of traffic congestion on local roads in the morning and afternoon. Chaotic drop-off zones in front of schools caused by increased driving creates an unsafe environment for students walking and bicycling. The Measure X Safe Routes to School program is aimed at developing better and safer options than driving the majority of children to school, educating children and the surrounding community how to safely walk and bicycle, and encouraging children to use active transportation that will lead to a healthier lifestyle.

The Measure X Safe Routes to School Guidelines contains the following sections:

Measure X – Measure X is a local transportation sales tax measure that will provide the most consistent source of funding for the program over the next 30 years.

Program Overview

- **Goals (6 E’s)** – The Program goals are divided into 6 categories: Evaluation, Engineering, Education, Encouragement, Enforcement and Equity.
- **Task Force** – A Safe Routes to School Task Force will meet quarterly to provide recommendations to staff and facilitate collaboration with agencies and organizations around the county pursuing similar goals of child safety and health.
- **Countywide Collaboration** – Collaboration with other agencies working towards safe routes to school objectives is an important goal of the program and critical to achieving a deep and comprehensive impact.

Programs - The various Safe Routes to School Programs are designed to achieve each of the 6 E’s goals (Evaluation, Engineering, Education, Encouragement, Enforcement and Equity)

Funding – This section identifies potential sources of funding for the Measure X Safe Routes to School Program.

Budget – This section identifies the Program budget for fiscal years 2018 – 2023 as well as priority projects that will be the focus of grant applications, planning, programming and construction.
Memorandum

To: Bicycle and Pedestrian Facilities Advisory Committee
From: Virginia Murillo, Transportation Planner
Meeting Date: February 7, 2018
Subject: Bicycle and Pedestrian Media Clippings

RECOMMENDED ACTION:
RECEIVE bicycle and pedestrian transportation media clips attached online.

SUMMARY:
Bicycle and pedestrian transportation media reports are attached for Monterey County, and other news articles of interest for the Committee.

FINANCIAL IMPACT:
None.

DISCUSSION:
News Clippings (web links):

Seaside and Marina children to benefit from $360,000 grant (KION News, January 8, 2018)

Governor Brown’s proposed budget includes first new gas tax funds (Streetsblog, January 12, 2018)

We Could Car Less: Living car-free in Salinas (Salinas Californian, January, 18, 2018)

Scoop: Read the White House infrastructure plan (Axios, January 22, 2018)

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