BICYCLE AND PEDESTRIAN FACILITIES ADVISORY COMMITTEE (BPC)

Wednesday, September 4, 2019
6:00 PM

TRANSPORTATION AGENCY FOR MONTEREY COUNTY
(TAMC)
Sand City Council Chambers: 1 Pendergrass Way, Sand City CA 93955

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**

   Any member of the public may address the Committee on any item not on the agenda but within the jurisdiction of the Committee. Each member of the public is allotted with three minutes to address any concerns. Comments on items on today's agenda may be given when that agenda item is discussed.

3. **BEGINNING OF CONSENT AGENDA**

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3.1 **APPROVE** minutes of Bicycle and Pedestrian Facilities Advisory Committee meeting
END OF CONSENT AGENDA

Regular Agenda Items

4. APPOINT a Vice Chair to serve the remaining months of the 2019 year: October and November.

   - Jacobsen

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5. RECEIVE presentation on the City of Pacific Grove Congress Avenue Road Rehabilitation project.

   - Jacobsen/Halabi

   City of Pacific Grove staff will present an overview of the Congress Avenue Road Rehabilitation Project including project scope, funding, timeline, construction, and benefits. This project was partially funded with Measure X, and completed in August 2019.

6. ANNOUNCEMENTS and/or COMMENTS

7. ADJOURN

   ANNOUNCEMENTS
   Next Committee meeting:
   Wednesday, October 2, 2019
   TAMC Conference Room
   55b Plaza Circle, Salinas, California, 93901

   Light refreshments will be provided
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CORRESPONDENCE, MEDIA CLIPPINGS, & REPORTS

Correspondence - No items this month.

Media Clipping

M 1. 14-year-old high school student hit by car in Monterey
M 2. New trail in the works connecting Monterey rec trail to inland areas
M 3. Woman dies after being hit by truck near Monterey City Hall
M 4. Monterey woman killed in crash near Madison and Pacific Streets in Monterey
M 5. The NFremont Bike and Pedestrian Access and Safety Improvements Project
M 6. TAMC Seeks Public Input on Fort Ord Regional Train & Greenway Project
M 7. Company proposes handcar business for tracks in Monterey area
M 8. Can California put cars in the rear-view mirror?
M 9. Hartnell, MPC to offer free Monterey-Salinas Transit rides to students
M 10. Americans Shouldn't Have to Drive, but the Law Insists on It

Reports - No items this month.
Memorandum

To: Bicycle and Pedestrian Facilities Advisory Committee
From: Maria Montiel, Administrative Assistant
Meeting Date: September 4, 2019
Subject: BPC Draft August Minutes

RECOMMENDED ACTION:
APPROVE minutes of Bicycle and Pedestrian Facilities Advisory Committee meeting of August 7, 2019.

ATTACHMENTS:
- BPC Draft August 2019 minutes
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1. Chair Lisa Rheinheimer called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m. A quorum was established, and self-introductions were made.

2. **PUBLIC COMMENTS**

Stanley Sokolow, Salinas Resident, expressed the need for bike racks in Salinas near facilities such as, shopping centers, and public buildings. He also noted that the color should be fire hydrant yellow to be visible. He asked for the City of Salinas bike rack policies and ordinance. Madilyn Jacobsen, Transportation Planner, agreed to connect Sokolow with City of Salinas staff.

3. **BEGINNING OF CONSENT AGENDA**

   **M/S/C**

   Ostovar/Johnson/unanimous

   Abstain: Martin Wegenstein and Frank Henderson

3.1 Approved minutes of the Bicycle and Pedestrian Facilities Advisory Committee meeting of June 5, 2019.

**END OF CONSENT AGENDA**
4. MEASURE X SAFE ROUTES TO SCHOOL – EDUCATION PROGRAM UPDATE

The Committee received a presentation on the Measure X Safe Routes to School Education Program implemented by Ecology Action for the 2018-19 school year.

Stefania Castillo, Transportation Planner reported that Transportation Agency has contracted with Ecology Action to teach bike and pedestrian safety at elementary schools in Marina, Seaside, and Salinas Valley, with the eventual goal of serving all 2nd and 5th grade students in Monterey County.

Chandra Rapley, Ecology Action staff, reported that the Walk Smart program for youth focuses on pedestrian safety and the Bike Smart program offers bicycle safety education program for 5th graders. The Bike Smart program consists of an assembly-style presentation and an on-campus bike safety rodeo. Walk Smart, a pedestrian safety program for 2nd graders, consists of an in-class presentation and a “Walk Around the Block” field trip in which students practice crossing active streets in the school neighborhood. Rapley noted that in the 2018-2019 school year, Ecology Action delivered Bike Smart to 41 fifth grade classes and Walk Smart to 50 second grade classes throughout Monterey County. Through Measure X funds, 2,155 students at 14 schools received comprehensive safety training, and 156 students learned to ride a bike for the first time.

Committee member Abby Ostovar noted to consider training the schools volunteers and P.E. teachers.

5. MEASURE X SAFE ROUTES TO SCHOOL 2018/19 ANNUAL REPORT

The Committee received a Measure X Safe Routes to School 2018/19 Annual Report:

1. Received update on the Measure X Safe Routes to School Program; and
2. Provided feedback to TAMC staff about opportunities for program improvement.

Stefania Castillo, Transportation Planner reported that the Safe Routes to School program funds projects and programs that improve children’s health by making walking and biking 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; reduced traffic congestion around schools, and healthier transportation choices for school children and parents. She noted that the First Measure X Citizens Oversight Committee’s Annual Audit and Compliance Report is available for review on TAMC’s website. She noted that the program received a Caltrans Sustainable Transportation Planning Grant; the Seaside & Marina Safe Routes to School Plan will develop safe routes to school recommendations for 15 public K-12 schools in the cities of Seaside and Marina. In May 2019, the team selected two recommended improvements from the list to demonstrate on the street for a two-week period. The project team received lots of good feedback from the community and city staff. The next step is to revise the recommended improvements list and draft the Seaside & Marina Safe Routes to School Planning document to be reviewed and ultimately adopted by each of the cities and the Monterey Peninsula Unified School District. Once adopted, the cities can apply for grant funding to design and build the recommended improvements.
In conclusion, Ms. Castillo noted other components of the Measure X Safe Routes to School program include teaching bicycle and pedestrian safety in all elementary schools in Salinas Valley, Marina and Seaside over the next 2-5 years. She also noted that TAMC staff is working on the draft guidelines for the Mini Grant Program and application form with goal of adopting the Guidelines in Fall 2019 and implementing the program in Spring 2020. The Mini Grant program will provide support to non-infrastructure Education, Encouragement and Enforcement activities such as Walk & Roll programs, Walk to School Day events, volunteer crossing guard training, traffic safety training workshops, and more. Transportation Agency was awarded the Caltrans Sustainable Transportation Planning grant in May 2019 with work also beginning in September 2019. The Safe Routes to School Plan will be a partnership between TAMC, Monterey County Health Department, City of Salinas and Ecology Action.

Committee member D. L. Johnson expressed the need to distribute the bicycle secure request information to all the schools in Monterey County.

Committee member Martin Wegenstein noted that consider looking at safety concerns for children near schools before recommending a bicycle route.

Committee member Linda Petersen suggested a presentation at a future meeting date from City of Pacific Grove on the Sunset (school) project that addressed bicycle and pedestrian safety concerns.

6. ANNOUNCEMENTS AND/OR COMMENTS

Madilyn Jacobsen, Transportation Planner, shared an announcement from Caltrans District 5 regarding the District 5 Active Transportation Plan. She noted that the gap analysis will begin soon; Caltrans staff is wrapping up the existing conditions phase now and that’s their next step. Once it’s ready and shared with TAMC, we will be able to share it. She also noted that Caltrans District 5 staff plans to present the draft Active Transportation Plan when the time comes. The schedule for the District 5 Active Transportation Plan has been extended and the draft plan likely won’t be available for distribution until February 2020.

Committee member Jack Smith expressed that the crosswalk near the church and the Pajaro Middle School has been repaired. He also noted that the Pajaro community would like to receive a presentation on the Prundale Corridor Study. Stefania Castillo noted that she would check the status with Transportation Agency staff.

Committee member D. L. Johnson expressed that the residents on Big Sur have been trapped due to the increase in tourist. He also noted that no sanitary bathroom on Point Lobos and it takes over one hour to drive by the Bixpy Bridge. Madilyn Jacobsen encouraged the members to fill out the Caltrans online Active Transportation Public Engagement form.

Madilyn Jacobsen, Transportation Planner, announced that Transportation Agency staff will be having two outreach events on the FORTAG input on August 24 at 9 a.m. – 12 p.m. and at CSUMB Expo on August 28.

Lisa Rheinheimer, Monterey Salinas Transit announced her resignation to the Bicycle and Pedestrian Committee. She noted that the Assistant Manager is retiring at the end of the month and she has been promoted to that position. She will no longer be able to attend the committee meetings due to all MST changes.
7. **ADJOURNMENT**
Chair Rheinheimer adjourned the meeting at 7:08 p.m.
MEMORANDUM

To: Bicycle and Pedestrian Facilities Advisory Committee
From: Madilyn Jacobsen, Transportation Planner
Meeting Date: September 4, 2019
Subject: Vice Chair Appointment - Remainder of 2019

RECOMMENDED ACTION:
APPOINT a Vice Chair to serve the remaining months of the 2019 year: October and November.

SUMMARY:
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FINANCIAL IMPACT:
No financial impacts.
### Memorandum

To: Bicycle and Pedestrian Facilities Advisory Committee

From: Madilyn Jacobsen, Transportation Planner

Meeting Date: September 4, 2019

Subject: Pacific Grove Update - Congress Avenue

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**RECOMMENDED ACTION:**

RECEIVE presentation on the City of Pacific Grove Congress Avenue Road Rehabilitation project.

**SUMMARY:**

City of Pacific Grove staff will present an overview of the Congress Avenue Road Rehabilitation Project including project scope, funding, timeline, construction, and benefits. This project was partially funded with Measure X, and completed in August 2019.

**FINANCIAL IMPACT:**

The Pacific Grove Congress Avenue Road Rehabilitation Project was funded with $530,000 Measure X dollars, in addition to funding from the City of Pacific Grove's General Fund ($250,000), Senate Bill 1 Local Streets and Roads Program ($257,361) and Regional Surface Transportation Program ($121,000).

**DISCUSSION:**

This will be an informational presentation to the Bicycle and Pedestrian Facilities Advisory Committee about a project that addressed bicycle and pedestrian safety concerns. The presentation will begin with an overview of the project, followed by the scoping, funding, timeline, construction, and a discussion of the project's benefits.

The scope of the project included approximately 51,000 square feet of pavement reconstruction and 67,000 square feet of asphalt concrete overlay. In addition there was an installation of 12 access ramps and four ADA ramps. This effort included the construction of 210 linear feet of curb and gutter, and 1,120 feet of sidewalk. The project also addressed various storm-water improvements. Construction
was completed in August 2019.