

City of Santa Rosa

Bicycle and Pedestrian Advisory Board Regular Meeting Minutes - Final

Thursday, November 16, 2023

4:00 PM

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1. CALL TO ORDER AND ROLL CALL

Chair Badenfort called the meeting to order at 4:00 p.m.

New Board Member Sarah Hart was introduced. Board Member Prindle arrived at 4:15 p.m.

- Present 7 Chair Kim Badenfort, Vice Chair Elizabeth Ridlington, Board Member Sarah Hart, Board Member Doug McKenzie, Board Member Dylan Prindle, Board Member Tanya Narath, and Board Member Paul Schwarz
- Absent 1 Board Member Emily Warne

2. STATEMENTS OF ABSTENTION BY BOARD MEMBERS

None.

3. COMMENT ON AGENDA ITEMS

Board Member Hart stated she would need to leave at 5:30 p.m.

4. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

4.1 September 21, 2023 Regular Meeting Minutes.

A motion was made by Board Member Schwarz, seconded by Board Member McKenzie, approved as submitted. The motion carried by the following vote:

- Yes: 6 Chair Badenfort, Vice Chair Ridlington, Board Member Hart, Board Member McKenzie, Board Member Narath and Board Member Schwarz
- Absent: 2 Board Member Prindle and Board Member Warne

5. PUBLIC COMMENTS ON NON-AGENDA MATTERS

None in person.

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Late Correspondence

6. REPORT ITEMS

6.1 REPORT - Active Transportation Plan (ATP) Working Draft Vision, Goals, and Final Scope of Work

BACKGROUND: Staff will update the Board on progress towards the Active Transportation Plan (ATP), present the final scope of work, and seek feedback on the working draft vision and goals.

RECOMMENDATION: The Board may provide input on the working draft vision and goals.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

<u>Chris Guenther</u> of Bikeable Santa Rosa spoke about timing and prioritization, detailed conclusions, and the benefits of using branding and considering climate mitigation.

<u>Dwayne DeWitt</u> spoke on the need for more outreach to the Roseland community.

This item was received and filed.

6.2 REPORT - Fiscal Year 2024/2025 Transportation and Public Works Work Plan

BACKGROUND: The Board may accept the draft Fiscal Year 2024/2025 Transportation and Public Works (TPW) Work Plan for active transportation projects and studies.

RECOMMENDATION: The Board may, by motion, accept the draft Fiscal Year 2024/2025 TPW Work Plan.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

<u>Alexa Forrester</u> thanked staff for the improved navigation of the list, stated she would like to see better bike options in the Montgomery Village area, and more priorities for equity and connectivity projects in District 1.

<u>Ali</u> agreed with previous comments and would prefer Class IV bike lanes.

<u>Emily Shartin</u> of Sonoma County Bicycle Coalition commented regarding conceptual projects, the importance of protected Class IV bike lanes, and the timing of projects waiting on construction. <u>Chris Guenther</u> inquired about prioritization and provided some criteria.

<u>Dwayne DeWitt</u> spoke about the Roseland Creek Trail, provided some background, and asked the Board to get involved in the Roseland community.

A motion was made by Vice Chair Ridlington, seconded by Board Member McKenzie, to approve the acceptance of the draft Fiscal Year 2024/2025 TPW Work Plan amended to include the feedback and comments provided about prioritization. The motion carried by the following vote:

Yes: 7 - Chair Badenfort, Vice Chair Ridlington, Board Member Hart, Board Member McKenzie, Board Member Prindle, Board Member Narath and Board Member Schwarz

Absent: 1 - Board Member Warne

7. CHAIR/BOARD MEMBERS' ANNOUNCEMENTS

- New Board Member Hart provided some background and information about herself.

- Vice Chair Ridlington attended the Countywide Bicycle and Pedestrian Advisory Committee in September. Among the topics discussed were the Caltrans Bike Plan Update, an update on the vision and goals in the county's active transportation plan, a review of checklists for projects and provided updates on key projects within the county. She encouraged the Board to reach out to their Councilmembers to keep them informed. She also mentioned Santa Rosa City Schools is conducting a survey about updating their facilities master plan, which may have an impact on circulation and provide opportunity for improvements.

- Chair Badenfort attended the luncheon for Former Mayors and Board/Committee Chairs and members.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

Dwayne DeWitt provided comments.

8. STAFF ANNOUNCEMENTS

- Slurry has been delayed to Spring 2024. Staff has been tracking grants and submitted four letters of interest and will provide more

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updates in the future.

- Staff attended webinars for MTC Active Transportation Working Group and for active transportation planning grant.

- Speed limits in the downtown area were going to be lowered in conjunction with the slurry project that has been delayed. As Council has already approved, staff intends to move forward with lowering the speed limits by 5 miles per hour in the downtown central business district instead of waiting until next spring.

- Staff is trying to have a budget line item for Class IV projects.

- The counters on Armory Drive have been pulled for now but will be put back next spring.

- The next meeting is scheduled for January 18, 2024 at 4:00 p.m.

9. ADJOURNMENT OF REGULAR MEETING

Chair Badenfort adjourned the meeting at 5:45 p.m.

Approved on: January 18, 2024 /s/ A. Scheblik, Recording Secretary