



**Bicycle and Pedestrian Advisory Board
Regular Meeting Minutes - Final**

Thursday, January 20, 2022

4:00 PM

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1. CALL TO ORDER AND ROLL CALL

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

(Board Member McKenzie arrived at 4:02 p.m.)

(Board Member Dektor arrived at 4:27 p.m.)

Present 7 - Chair Kim Badenfort, Vice Chair Elizabeth Ridlington, Board Member Christine Dektor, Board Member Tony Gerald, Board Member Doug McKenzie, Board Member Tanya Narath, and Board Member Paul Schwarz

Absent 1 - Board Member Marguerite Finn

2. STATEMENTS OF ABSTENTION BY BOARD MEMBERS

Board Member Gerald will be abstaining from Item 4.1.

3. COMMENTS ON AGENDA BY BOARD MEMBERS

None.

4. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

4.1 November 18, 2021 Regular Meeting Minutes.

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

Yes: 5 - Chair Badenfort, Vice Chair Ridlington, Board Member McKenzie, Board Member Narath and Board Member Schwarz

Absent: 2 - Board Member Dektor and Board Member Finn

Abstain: 1 - Board Member Gerald

5. PUBLIC COMMENTS ON NON-AGENDA MATTERS

David Harris noted the Brush Creek Path is a nice amenity; he inquired about the General Plan update and how it affects the current BPMP, and expressed concern about accelerating goals and

accomplishments in the current plan.

Dylan P stated he would like to see projects, or pilot projects, for bicycle/pedestrian improvements more streamlined and completed more quickly to get people out biking and walking. He cited examples of delayed projects.

6. REPORT ITEMS

6.1 REPORT - Vision Zero (VZ) Sonoma County Project Update

BACKGROUND: Staff will provide an update on the draft Sonoma County Vision Zero Action Plan.

RECOMMENDATION: The Board may provide feedback and input on the draft Vision Zero Action Plan.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

Eris Weaver spoke in favor and stated she has been very involved in the project. She also inquired what the next step is, and hopes that jurisdictions will embrace Vision Zero, and is optimistic it goes somewhere.

Dylan P spoke in support and stated that it is good in theory. He expressed his hope for creating a culture of safety and the need to make more changes for a livable society.

This item was received and filed.

6.2 REPORT - Transportation Development Act (TDA) Article III Fiscal Year (FY) 2022/2023

BACKGROUND: Staff may request TDA Article III for the construction phase of Highway 101 Bicycle and Pedestrian Overcrossing.

RECOMMENDATION: The Board, by motion, may support the staff's recommendation to allocate \$600,000 of FY 2022/2023 TDA funds for the Highway 101 Bicycle and Pedestrian Overcrossing construction phase.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

David Harris spoke about his frustration with the current process

regarding the length of time it takes for projects and the amount of money spent on projects. He urged the Board to use the money to address the gaps.

A motion was made by Vice Chair Ridlington, seconded by Board Member Geraldi to support the staff's recommendation to allocate \$600,000 of FY 2022/2023 TDA funds for the Highway 101 Bicycle and Pedestrian Overcrossing construction phase. The motion carried by the following vote:

Yes: 7 - Chair Badenfort, Vice Chair Ridlington, Board Member Dektor, Board Member Geraldi, Board Member McKenzie, Board Member Narath and Board Member Schwarz

Absent: 1 - Board Member Finn

6.3 REPORT - Bicycle & Pedestrian Master Plan Update 2018 - Annual Report 2021

BACKGROUND: The Board may receive an update on progress since the adoption of Bicycle & Pedestrian Master Plan Update 2018.

RECOMMENDATION: This item is for Board discussion. No action is required.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

David Harris spoke of the urgency needed for safety and climate change, and challenged the Board to get the money and get the projects done.

Dylan P expressed thanks to the Board and Staff for the work and projects presented.

Eris Weaver expressed appreciation the City is doing this annual review to track projects; she liked the animation used on the maps; she stated the website improvements are great, but it is hard to find the link on the City's main internet page, and made suggestions for improvement. She also stated that Bike Month is still going to happen and will keep the Board in the loop with the plans.

This item was received and filed.

7. CHAIR/BOARD MEMBERS' ANNOUNCEMENTS

Vice Chair Ridlington stated that there are ways as Board Members to look beyond and better support the Staff in building a vibrant culture for walking and biking along with infrastructure, and ideas to better engage everyone.

8. STAFF ANNOUNCEMENTS

- Board Member Finn has resigned. The position is At-Large and is appointed by Council Member N. Rogers. The vacancy for the Disabled Community Representative also still exists and the Board in encouraged to help find a candidate.
- Staff attended a public meeting held by the Santa Rosa Junior College (SRJC) for the potential road closure for the Elliott Avenue Pilot Project. This will go before the SRJC Board and, if certified, will come back to the Board in February, and then onto Council in March.
- A community meeting is scheduled for February 2 at 5:30 p.m. to discuss potential options for Fourth Street and for Montgomery Drive as part of the Local Roads Safety Plan.
- The next Board meeting is scheduled for February 17, 2022.

9. ADJOURNMENT OF REGULAR MEETING

Chair Badenfort adjourned the virtual meeting at 6:21 p.m.

Approved on:

A. Scheblik
Recording Secretary