



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

Thursday, November 18, 2021

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 4:08 p.m.)

Present 6 - Chair Kim Badenfort, Vice Chair Elizabeth Ridlington, Board Member Christine Dektor, Board Member Doug McKenzie, Board Member Tanya Narath, and Board Member Paul Schwarz

Absent 2 - Board Member Tony Gerald, and Board Member Marguerite Finn

2. STATEMENTS OF ABSTENTION BY BOARD MEMBERS

None.

3. COMMENTS ON AGENDA BY BOARD MEMBERS

None.

4. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

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

Yes: 6 - Chair Badenfort, Vice Chair Ridlington, Board Member Dektor, Board Member McKenzie, Board Member Narath and Board Member Schwarz

Absent: 2 - Board Member Gerald and Board Member Finn

5. PUBLIC COMMENTS ON NON-AGENDA MATTERS

Eris Weaver stated that bike pathways are a challenge to navigate in the dark due to potential obstacles and suggested that lighting be added. She also stated she sent an email to staff to forward to the Board and wondered if it had been received as she didn't see it published anywhere.

Chris Eggers stated there is no viable way to get from Administration Drive to Old Redwood Highway and she would like to see some work done to make biking more viable throughout the City.

Kristen Thigpen stated she will be providing an update on Draft Vision Zero Action Plan at next Advisory Committee meeting in December. She encouraged attendance and said that pending input from Advisory Committee, the goal is February.

Dylan Pringle expressed frustration at the lack of bike lanes within the City, and when vehicles are parked in bike lanes or maintenance vehicles are parked in bike lanes/on sidewalks. He stated this creates more conflict points and wonders why the no-parking signage isn't being followed or enforced.

6. REPORT ITEMS

6.1 REPORT - Fiscal Year 2022/2023 Transportation and Public Works Work Plan

BACKGROUND: The Board may accept the draft Fiscal Year 2022/2023 Transportation and Public Works (TPW) Work Plan for bicycle and pedestrian projects and studies.

RECOMMENDATION: The Board may, by motion, accept the draft Fiscal Year 2022/2023 TPW Work Plan.

PUBLIC COMMENT

Eris Weaver stated that school education is being handled under the Sonoma County Bicycle Coalition's federal grant and that she would like to see the City provide more targeted education for drivers; debris and leaves blown into the street/bike lanes is an issue and wondered who to report this to, and also stated the plan is confusing.

A motion was made by Board Member Dektor, seconded by Vice Chair Ridlington to accept the draft Fiscal Year 2022/2023 TPW Work Plan as presented. Chair Badenfort offered a friendly amendment to include the possibility of having educational outreach, which was accepted by Board Member Dektor and seconded by Vice Chair Ridlington. The motion carried by the following vote:

Yes: 6 - Chair Badenfort, Vice Chair Ridlington, Board Member Dektor, Board Member McKenzie, Board Member Narath and Board Member Schwarz

Absent: 2 - Board Member Gerald and Board Member Finn

6.2 REPORT - Shared Mobility Devices (SMDs) - Scooters - Draft Permit Process

BACKGROUND: The Board may provide input on the draft permit process conditions and application for Shared Mobility Devices (SMDs) - Scooters in Santa Rosa.

RECOMMENDATION: Board may provide input on the draft permit process conditions and application.

PUBLIC COMMENT

Eris Weaver spoke in favor and expressed concerns with availability of bike parking and convenient locations, as well as enforcement.

Dylan Pringle spoke in favor and stated the 5% shift target isn't aggressive enough; he agrees there is not enough bike parking and bike rack design and quality varies and stated the 25 mph bike lane availability is not continuous and gaps should be addressed.

This item was received and filed.

6.3 REPORT - Community Communication and Engagement - Bicycle/Pedestrian Projects

BACKGROUND: Staff will provide an update and seek feedback on the City's communication and engagement process for bicycle and pedestrian enhancements delivered through pavement maintenance projects.

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

PUBLIC COMMENTS

Eris Weaver asked how far from the project is notice for the project given. She said she has been taking officials, etc. out for a rides to see/feel/experience project areas so they have firsthand knowledge.

Dylan Pringle stated he disagrees with making changes to protected bike lanes, and he is in favor of creating a bike network that is safe and inclusive for all and looks forward to future projects being resolved in a better way.

This item was received and filed.

7. CHAIR/BOARD MEMBERS' ANNOUNCEMENTS

None.

8. STAFF ANNOUNCEMENTS

- There will not be a meeting in December. The Board will meet in January and possibly in February.
- Staff recommends that protocol for the Board meetings continue with 100% Zoom format for now.
- A community meeting for the Bike/Ped Overcrossing design is scheduled for December 8.

9. ADJOURNMENT OF REGULAR MEETING

Chair Badenfort adjourned the virtual meeting at 6:24 p.m.

Approved on:

A. Scheblik
Recording Secretary