



City of Santa Rosa

Municipal Service Center
South
69 Stony Circle
Conference Room 5

Bicycle and Pedestrian Advisory Board Regular Meeting Minutes - Final

Thursday, December 19, 2024

4:00 PM

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1. CALL TO ORDER AND ROLL CALL

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

Present 5 - Vice Chair Elizabeth Ridlington, Board Member Sarah Hart, Board Member Tanya Narath, Board Member Paul Schwarz, and Board Member Emily Warne

Absent 4 - Chair Kim Badenfort, Board Member Kim Badenfort, Board Member Scott Doig, and Board Member Doug McKenzie

2. REMOTE PARTICIPATION UNDER AB 2449 (IF NEEDED)

3. STATEMENTS OF ABSTENTION BY BOARD MEMBERS

None.

4. COMMENT ON AGENDA ITEMS BY BOARD MEMBERS

None.

5. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

5.1 October 17, 2024 Regular Meeting Minutes.

A motion was made by Board Member Schwarz, seconded by Board Member Warne, to approve as submitted. The motion carried by the following vote:

Yes: 5 - Vice Chair Ridlington, Board Member Hart, Board Member Narath, Board Member Schwarz and Board Member Warne

Absent: 4 - Chair Badenfort, Board Member Badenfort, Board Member Doig and Board Member McKenzie

6. PUBLIC COMMENTS ON NON-AGENDA MATTERS

Duane DeWitt spoke in favor of newly appointed Vice Mayor Alvarez, having Council representation for the Roseland community, the Earth Day event, and asked that the Roseland Creek Bikeway be placed at the top of the Active Transportation Master Plan.

7. REPORT ITEMS

7.1 REPORT - Working Draft Policy and Program Recommendations for the Active Transportation Plan (ATP)

BACKGROUND: Staff will present the Working Draft Policy and Program Recommendations for the Active Transportation Plan.

RECOMMENDATION: This item is for Board discussion and feedback on the draft policy and program recommendations.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

Duane DeWitt spoke in favor of the work done by staff, and provided comments regarding red light cameras, the new Daylighting State law, and the need for safety in school zones.

Emily Shartin of Sonoma County Bicycle Coalition spoke in favor of infrastructure education, safe routes to school audits, video detection for bikes, maintenance, and professional development for public works.

This item was received and filed.

7.2 REPORT - Project Prioritization Methodology for the Active Transportation Plan (ATP)

BACKGROUND: Staff will present the Project Prioritization Methodology for the Active Transportation Plan.

RECOMMENDATION: This item is for Board discussion and feedback on the project prioritization methodology.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

David Harris commented that he has been following the infrastructure issue for 20 years. He expressed concern over the costs, especially regarding the Hwy 101 Overcrossing project.

Carolyn Jorgenson is an avid cyclist and public transit user and is in favor of safe and maintained facilities for cyclists in Santa Rosa.

Duane DeWitt thanked staff for all the work and spoke in favor of the strength of the Board to make recommendations to the decision makers.

This item was received and filed.

8. CHAIR/BOARD MEMBERS' ANNOUNCEMENTS

Board Member Schwarz thanked staff for posting the new speed limit signs and inquired about the length of time the signs would be posted and when the next round of signs would go up. He also reported that there was not a quorum at the Sonoma County BPAC and stated that an update will be provided at the next Board meeting.

Board Member Hart commented on the narrowing of a section of Fourth Street to one lane in each direction, and the transition period for the public to get used to the changes.

9. STAFF ANNOUNCEMENTS

- An update on grant activity was provided.
- There are new small segments of protected bike lanes; one on Fourth Street, one on Sixth Street, and one on West Ninth Street.
- The Redwood Bike Share stations are in place, but we are still waiting for the bikes.
- A reminder that there will be some changes to the Council at the end of the year, which means some changes for the Board, including the Mayor's appointment of the Chair and other potential appointments and/or re-appointments by Councilmembers.
- Staff plans a possible January meeting to discuss TDA Article 3.
- The March meeting will include the public review of the draft ATP.

10. ADJOURNMENT OF REGULAR MEETING

Vice Chair Ridlington adjourned the meeting at 5:48 p.m.

Approved on: February 26, 2025
/s/ A. Scheblik, Recording Secretary