



# City of Santa Rosa

Municipal Service Center  
South  
69 Stony Circle  
Conference Room 5

## Bicycle and Pedestrian Advisory Board Regular Meeting Minutes - Draft

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Thursday, October 17, 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** 6 - Vice Chair Elizabeth Ridlington, Board Member Scott Doig, Board Member Doug McKenzie, Board Member Tanya Narath, Board Member Paul Schwarz, and Board Member Emily Warne

**Absent** 2 - Chair Kim Badenfort, and Board Member Sarah Hart

### 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 August 29, 2024 Regular Meeting Minutes.

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

**Yes:** 6 - Vice Chair Ridlington, Board Member Doig, Board Member McKenzie, Board Member Narath, Board Member Schwarz and Board Member Warne

**Absent:** 2 - Chair Badenfort and Board Member Hart

### 6. PUBLIC COMMENTS ON NON-AGENDA MATTERS

Johanna James expressed concern regarding proposed development on Lance Drive and the increase of vehicle, pedestrian, and bicycle traffic and asked that safety provisions and improvements for pedestrian walkways and bicycle paths be

included in the project.

James Duncan also expressed concern regarding the proposed development on Lance Drive. He stated another project in the area had a condition requirement to construct a paved pedestrian pathway that connected with existing facilities, and suggested the same requirement should be applied to the Lance Drive development project.

## 7. REPORT ITEMS

### 7.1 REPORT - Fiscal Year 2025/2026 Transportation and Public Works Work Plan

BACKGROUND: The Board may consider the Fiscal Year 2025/2026 Transportation and Public Works Work Plan for active transportation projects.

RECOMMENDATION: No action is required. The Board may provide input on the TPW Work Plan Projects and on overall project prioritization for the project team to consider for the ATP and for the CIP re-prioritization process.

#### PUBLIC COMMENTS

Duane DeWitt thanked staff for all the hard work, asked staff to get the funding, and spoke about Roseland Creek property and bike path.

Emily Shartin of Sonoma County Bicycle Coalition commented about bike and pedestrian improvements being included with the project on Calistoga Road.

Chris Guenther of Bikeable Santa Rosa spoke in favor of the improvement in the quality and organization of the information. He commented about improvements included in the project on Sonoma Avenue.

Johanna James commented on the Jennings Avenue-SMART Crossing project and asked staff to do more to resolve the lack of

progress.

**This item was received and filed.**

**7.2** REPORT - Draft Recommended Projects for the Active Transportation Plan (ATP) and Phase 2 of Public Outreach

BACKGROUND: Staff will present the draft recommended projects for the Active Transportation Plan and the Board will learn about Phase 2 of public outreach.

RECOMMENDATION: This item is for Board discussion and feedback on the recommended projects.

**PUBLIC COMMENTS**

Duane DeWitt thanked staff and the consultant for the presentation and spoke about community engagement in the Southwest area.

Julia thanked staff for all the work and spoke about bike boulevards and the use of traffic calming measures, and the future process.

David Harris spoke in favor of building more overcrossings to connect the City, and proposed the use of a prefab truss bridge for the Highway 101 Overcrossing and other projects as an alternative to be able to save money and build more infrastructure.

James Duncan spoke in favor of prioritizing the Jennings Avenue SMART Crossing project and getting it built.

Emily Shartin spoke in favor of the plan and network, and commented on prioritizing low stress facilities for bicyclists.

**This item was received and filed.**

**8. CHAIR/BOARD MEMBERS' ANNOUNCEMENTS**

None.

**9. STAFF ANNOUNCEMENTS**

- The Draft General Plan and associated environmental impact report are currently available for review.
- There are three public comment meetings for the Southeast

Specific Plan being hosted by the Planning and Economic Development Department.

- The next Council meeting will have a budget presentation by the Finance Department.
- There will not be a BPAB meeting in November, but we do plan on having a meeting in December on the 19th.
- The National Highway Transportation Safety Administration ((NHTSA) has a public comment period open now regarding proposals for passenger vehicles.
- The first round of new speed limit signs are being installed.
- There has been a lack of a quorum for a few of the CBPAC meetings. BPAP members are encouraged to attend.

## **10. ADJOURNMENT OF REGULAR MEETING**

Vice Chair Ridlington adjourned the meeting at 6:03 p.m.

Approved on:

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A. Scheblik  
Recording Secretary