



City of Santa Rosa

Municipal Service Center
South
69 Stony Circle
Conference Room 5

Bicycle and Pedestrian Advisory Board Regular Meeting Minutes - Draft

Thursday, July 20, 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.

Present 7 - Chair Kim Badenfort, Vice Chair Elizabeth Ridlington, Board Member Emily Kyle, Board Member Doug McKenzie, Board Member Dylan Prindle, Board Member Tanya Narath, and Board Member Paul Schwarz

Absent 1 - Board Member Tony Gerald

2. STATEMENTS OF ABSTENTION BY BOARD MEMBERS

None.

3. COMMENT ON AGENDA ITEMS BY BOARD MEMBERS

Chair Badenfort re-ordered the agenda report items as follows: 6.1, 6.2, 6.4, and 6.3.

Vice Chair Ridlington inquired about Item 6.2 in the draft minutes regarding the priority of CIP projects not being reflected in the minutes.

4. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

4.1 May 18, 2023 Regular Meeting Minutes

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

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

Absent: 1 - Board Member Gerald

5. PUBLIC COMMENTS ON NON-AGENDA MATTERS

Emily Shartin spoke in support of the cycle track on Armory and

stated this has been posted on their website and social media, and would like to see more of this. She hopes Class 4 infrastructure becomes the standard for projects.

Chris Guenther spoke in support of the cycle track on Armory. He inquired if the draft general plan will come back as part of community engagement to the Board to continue the discussion.

6. REPORT ITEMS

6.1 REPORT - Countywide Bicycle and Pedestrian Advisory Committee (CBPAC) Citizen Appointment

BACKGROUND: The Board may assign a citizen representative to the Countywide Bicycle and Pedestrian Advisory Committee.

RECOMMENDATION: The Board shall, by motion, assign a citizen representative to the Countywide Bicycle and Pedestrian Advisory Committee.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

Alexa Forrester spoke about the lack of public notice and the lack of opportunity to provide input for the Hearn Avenue project and hopes the Board is able to push for more transparency policies.

A motion was made by Board Member Prindle, seconded by Chair Badenfort, to nominate and assign Vice Chair Ridlington as the citizen representative to the Countywide Bicycle and Pedestrian Advisory Committee for the next six months, with the understanding the assignment will be revisited in December 2023/January 2024. The motion carried by the following vote:

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

Absent: 1 - Board Member Gerald

6.2 REPORT - Sonoma County Trail Entry/Exit Design Alternatives

BACKGROUND: Staff will introduce and seek feedback on a Draft document.

RECOMMENDATION: This item is for Board discussion and input.

Staff will gather comments from the Board and report back to Sonoma County Regional Parks.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

Alexa Forrester asked if horses were allowed on any of the trails within City limits.

Chris Guenther inquired about what happens after the data is collected and what the intent of it is. He also asked about the timeline for implementation.

This item was received and filed.

6.3 REPORT - City Thread Update

BACKGROUND: Staff will provide an update from the City Thread conference and the Accelerated Mobility Playbook (AMP) report.

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

PUBLIC COMMENTS

Alexa Forrester spoke about philanthropists being involved to help the process and help keep officials engaged and supportive and that messaging is needed.

Chris Guenther spoke about the State's goal and the current model, the need for change, the potential to shift strategically, and stated building community support, building the plans and maintaining support is key. He also thanked the City for their participation.

Cris Eggers stated that messaging works and more of it is needed. She gave an example of the Santa Rosa Avenue project and that the merchants are behind it, and it is a more attractive entry into the City.

This item was received and filed.

6.4 REPORT - Update on the Bicycle and Pedestrian Master Plan Update 2023 RFP and Consultant Scoring Criteria

BACKGROUND: Staff will provide an update on the Bicycle and Pedestrian Master Plan Update 2023 RFP and consultant scoring

criteria.

RECOMMENDATION: The Board shall, by motion, assign one or two ad-hoc members to participate in the Consultant team selection committee.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

Chris Guenther spoke in support and inquired about the timing; to make sure to be finished ahead of the budget cycle. He expressed concern that other projects might slow down and wants them to keep moving. He encouraged the Board to be assertive and ambitious.

Alexa Forrester stated the City Thread report is ambitious and that a shared, unified goal of a connected network is important for success. She spoke about the importance of criteria and focus in the selection process. She is hopeful a larger meeting room will be available for the next meeting.

Chair Badenfort asked for volunteers to serve as ad-hoc members on the Consultant team selection committee. Vice Chair Ridlington, Board Member Schwartz, and Board Member Narath volunteered. No formal motion was made, and no objections were raised.

7. CHAIR/BOARD MEMBERS' ANNOUNCEMENTS

Board Member McKenzie stated that the Fulton Road project construction crews are placing their signs in the bike lanes on Guerneville Road and asked if staff could resolve the issue.

8. STAFF ANNOUNCEMENTS

- Santa Rosa Avenue project is underway.
- Slurry Seal will be starting in late summer. There will be some work on Fourth Street, Montgomery Drive, Mendocino Avenue and the downtown area.
- Staff is working on getting Zoom equipment for Room 5 and will look for a larger venue for the September meeting.

9. ADJOURNMENT OF REGULAR MEETING

Chair Badenfort adjourned the meeting at 5:40 p.m.

Approved on:

A. Scheblik
Recording Secretary