

City of Mountain View

CITY HALL 500 CASTRO STREET

Minutes - Draft

Bicycle/Pedestrian Advisory Committee

Committee Members Fenwick, Shankari, Tock, Vice Chair Unangst and Chair Roddin

Wednesday, February 27, 2019

6:30 PM

Plaza Conference Room

1. CALL TO ORDER

Vice Chair Greg Unangst called the meeting to order at 6:30 p.m.

2. ROLL CALL

Committee Member Fenwick arrived at 6:36 p.m.

Present 4 - Committee Member Valerie Fenwick, Committee Member Kalyanaraman Shankari, Committee Member Theron Tock, and Vice Chair Greg Unangst

Absent 1 - Chair Marc Roddin

3. ORAL COMMUNICATIONS FROM THE PUBLIC

Dale Kirstin, retired firefighter and walker, voiced his concerns about the unmarked Grant Rd. / Sleeper Ave. pedestrian crossing. Located near Cuesta Park and Huff Elementary, the unmarked crossing has ADA ramps and a pedestrian median island refuge, but motorists often speed by without yielding. Kirstin requested that a project to install beacons or other treatments be prioritized. His Waverly Park neighbors on Nextdoor provided 19 supportive and 1 negative comment in 2 days.

Jim Evans from the Senior Advisory Committee introduced himself.

4. MINUTES APPROVAL

4.1 <u>190126</u> <u>Minutes Approval</u>

Attachments: Draft B/PAC Minutes - 1/30/2019

MOTION - MS - Fenwick/ Tock - To: Approve the B/PAC Meeting Minutes of January 30, 2019.

The motion carried by the following vote:

Yes: 4 - Committee Member Fenwick, Committee Member Shankari, Committee Member Tock, and Vice Chair Unangst

Absent: 1 - Chair Roddin

5. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

None.

6. NEW BUSINESS

6.1 190158 Transportation Development Act (TDA) Article 3 Funding

Attachments: Transportation Development Act (TDA) Article 3 Funding memo

After a brief staff presentation, the Committee discussed the previously recommended Shoreline/Villa intersection project for Fiscal Year 2019-20 Transportation Development Act (TDA) Article 3 funding.

Comments from the public:

Dale Kirstin requested information about how projects are recommended to the City's Capital Improvement Program.

Comments from the B/PAC:

BPAC members recalled their previous request, a year ago, to bank funds to support the project as proposed. They reiterated their support of the project due to the location's collision history and importance as a gateway into Downtown. They requested more options be developed for the follow year's funding.

MOTION - MS - Tock/Fenwick - To: Support the staff recommendation to allocate all accumulated TDA funds (estimated at \$241,768) to the Shoreline Boulevard/Villa Street Intersection Improvements Project.

The motion carried by the following vote:

Yes: 4 - Committee Member Fenwick, Committee Member Shankari, Committee Member Tock, and Vice Chair Unangst

Absent: 1 - Chair Roddin

6.2 190127 Mountain View City Code Chapter 19 Article VI Ordinance Update

Attachments: MVCC Chapter 19 Article VI Ordinance Update memo

ATT 1 - Revised Ordinance

ATT 2 - Classification and Ability to Regulate Devices under the CVC

ATT 3 - Existing Ordinance

ATT 4 - Proposed Resolution

Transportation Manager Ria Hutabarat Lo provided a presentation and update on the proposed ordinance repealing, in its entirety, Article VI of Chapter 19 of the Mountain View City Code and adding a new Article VI related to Bicycles, Electric Bicycles, Motorized Scooters, and Transportation Devices.

Comments from the public:

- The first commenter asked how signage would make the new rules clear.
- Serge Bonte, while supportive of the new rules proposed, expressed concern about bicyclists, e-bicyclists, and e-scooter users, yielding to pedestrians. The new rules will require educational efforts so device users know what it means to yield, especially on narrow sidewalks. Also suggested that Mountain View act so that e-scooters can be banned from sidewalks should the State allow e-scooters in the future.
- John Carpenter suggested that for trails, one side be assigned for pedestrians and one for bicyclists.

Comments from the B/PAC:

B/PAC discussed options for moving forward to recommend the ordinance language moving forward, seeking clarification on issues related to accessing destinations through public garages, riding on sidewalks, and the appropriate age at which to no longer provide exceptions to prohibited sidewalk riding for children.

MOTION - MS - Fenwick/Unangst - To: Requested that staff review omni-directional riding on the sidewalks and report the issue and findings to City Council clearly. If revision to the City's ordinance is needed to allow for omni-directional riding, BPAC wants to include such a revision.

The motion carried by the following vote:

Yes: 4 - Committee Member Fenwick, Committee Member Shankari, Committee Member Tock, and Vice Chair Unangst

Absent: 1 - Chair Roddin

MOTION - MS - Fenwick/Unangst - To: Recommend that City Council introduce a proposed ordinance repealing, in its entirety, Article VI of Chapter 19 of the Mountain View City Code and adding a new Article VI related to Bicycles, Electric Bicycles, Motorized Scooters, and Transportation Devices as set forth in Attachment 1 with the following edits:

- * add language in Section 19.54 to clarify that this applies only to roadways;
- * add language in Section 19.55 to allow for bicycle riding through the parking structure to access destinations;
- * modify Section 19.57(c) to allow bicycle parking on non-landscaped areas of the furniture zone; and
- * change the age exemption in Section 19.53(c) to six (6) years or under; and Recommend City Council adopt a resolution as set forth in Attachment 4 amended to only include Castro Street.

Motion passed by the following vote:

Yes: 4 - Committee Member Fenwick, Committee Member Shankari, Committee Member Tock, and Vice Chair Unangst

Absent: 1 - Chair Roddin

6.3 <u>190145</u> <u>Pedestrian Master Plan Review</u>

Attachments: Pedestrian Master Plan Annual Review memo

ATT 1 - PMP Annual Review Summaries

Staff presented information about the Pedestrian Master Plan (PMP) and invited input from the Committee on topics/issues/concerns that should be considered for inclusion ni the planned update for Fiscal Year 2020-21.

Comments from the public:

Serge Bonte commented that the ordinance proposal process is flawed as it did not consider the Pedestrian Master Plan

Comments from the B/PAC:

B/PAC recommended considering requiring two separate curb cuts per curb return, adding more marked crosswalks, and eliminating driveway cuts where there are no longer driveways.

6.4 190160 Fiscal Year 2018-19 Bicycle/Pedestrian Advisory Committee Work

Attachments: B-PAC Work Plan FY 2018-19.pdf

ATT 1 - TAL

The Committee reviewed the Fiscal Year 2018-19 Work Plan and provided updates on recent and upcoming activities.

6.5 <u>190159</u> Valley Transportation Authority (VTA) Bicycle & Pedestrian Advisory Committee (BPAC) Update

Vice Chair Unangst reported on items covered at the most recent VTA BPAC meeting. Topics included a transit speed policy, a transit service plan update, a review of Measure B funds available, and potential bicycle gap closure projects across the county.

7. COMMITTEE/STAFF ANNOUNCEMENTS, UPDATES, REQUESTS, AND COMMITTEE REPORTS

7.1. Staff Comments

Lime is exiting from Mountain View to focus their operations on e-scooters. Another bike share operator has submitted a permit application.

There were five Ask MV requests in January and four in February, including a variety of crosswalk requests and other issues.

7.2. Committee Comments

Committee Member Fenwick inquired as to whether someone could purchase a Lime bike. Members also asked whether an e-scooter "share" program might be implemented in Mountain View.

8. SET DATE AND TIME FOR NEXT MEETING

Wednesday, March 27, 2019 B/PAC Meeting at 6:30 p.m.

9. CALENDAR

Wednesday, April 24, 2019 B/PAC Meeting at 6:30 p.m. Wednesday, June 26, 2019 B/PAC Meeting at 6:30 p.m. Wednesday, August 28, 2019 B/PAC Meeting at 6:30 p.m. Wednesday, September 25, 2019 B/PAC Meeting at 6:30 p.m.

10. ADJOURNMENT

Vice Chair Unangst adjourned the meeting at 9:22 p.m.