

Oakland BPAC: June 17, 2004 Minutes

1. Updates on Ongoing Projects

a. Bike Plan Update

Jason Patton provided information on CEDA/PWA transition, the Dowling contract close-out, the EIR; objectives, policies, and prioritization; connections with adjacent jurisdictions, and the BPAC role. BPAC members asked if the plan will develop thresholds of significance (CEQA) to assist with project implementation. BPAC wants clarification from the City Attorney's Office. Sarah will work to put existing Bike Plan on website.

b. Bicycle Route Signage Program

Murat (intern) will provide report in July on timeline. BPAC members want more information regarding the timeline for implementation the bike route signage program. Some BPAC members prefer traditional bike route signage (larger), or at least modification of current signage so it is larger than 12" by 18," which the committee feels is too small type for the destination signage.

c. El Embarcadero (Grand Ave to Lakeshore) Bike/Ped Improvements

Draft plans were presented to committee for review. BPAC members requested ample time for review, and coordination of plan distribution in advance. Brief comments: existing crosswalks should remain, slip turns have low visibility—the turning radius should be reduced. Through bicycle lane should be installed on Grand Ave approaching El Embarcadero and MacArthur (rather than right turning bicycle lane). Bicyclists turning right will share slip lane with auto traffic.

d. Safe Routes to Schools

PW staff met with Jim Dexter and other neighborhood representatives at Thornhill school.

e. Telegraph Avenue

City is extending contract with Kimley Horn until June 30, 2005. Existing conditions report is still being finalized.

f. Whole Foods Bike/Ped Issues

Planning Commission met recently to approve design. Sarah will contact CEDA staff re: supplementary bike/ped traffic report.

2. Drainage Issues- Old Tunnel Road

MUTCD Bicycle Surface Condition Warning Signage will be installed within 15 working days. Sign detail:



3. Car free Day, September 23, 2004

Announcement of Car Free Day planning activities: Gus Yates of Car Free Cities and Jackie Stiasny at RIDES are chairing steering committee.

4. Market Street Regional Bikeway- Grant opportunity

BPAC members strongly support pursuit of TFCA grant to install bicycle lanes on Market Street. Ron will write letter of support. Feasibility study will be finalized in two weeks.

5. City Racks Bicycle Parking Program- Grant opportunity

BPAC members support TFCA grant application. Ron will write letter of support.

Draft minutes prepared by Sarah Syed

In attendance: Ron Bishop, Dave Campbell, Jim Dexter, Mike Jones, Carol Levine, Jason Patton, Robert Raburn, Sarah Syed