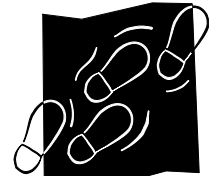




# Bicycle & Pedestrian Advisory Committee



250 Frank Ogawa Plaza, 4th Floor, Suite 4314  
Lake Merritt Conference Room

August 19, 2004 – THURSDAY  
Minutes

Meeting began at 4:00pm with welcome and introductions.

**In attendance:** Ron Bishop, Sarah Syed, Robert Raburn, Margot Prado-Lederer, Joe Kempkes, Jason Patton, Carol Levine, Jim Dexter, Claudia Cappio, Jennifer Stanley, Marcelina Sanchez, Jose Martinez, Philip Ho, Yvette Ortiz-Rios, Joann Pavlinec

## *Information Items*

1. There is an opening on the ACTIA BPAC for Nate Miley's district. Tom Van Demark may be appointed to this position.
2. Jason Patton noted that Tom Van Demark is retiring from the Oakland Pedestrian Safety Project and that Jason will be taking over his position in CEDA.
3. Jason Patton also noted that his bicycle was stolen off of Frank Ogawa Plaza during business hours on Monday, August 2. It was properly secured with a Kryptonite u-lock. Be careful!
4. Marcelina Sanchez announced that the Ped/Bike Safety Institute originally scheduled to open in August will now open in the spring.
5. It was announced that Jennifer Stanley will be doing interim work for PWA on bike/ped issues until a replacement is found for Sarah Syed.

## *Corrections to July Minutes*

Marcelina Sanchez noted that fifteen students participated in the Earn Your Bike program – not the Bike/Ped Safety Institute.

## *7<sup>th</sup> Street Urban Design Plan Update (Margot Prado-Lederer)*

Margot provided an update on changes to the 7<sup>th</sup> Street Plan since the last BPAC meeting. These changes include the addition of bike lanes on 7<sup>th</sup> Street (from Union to Mandela on the south side of the street and Henry to Union on the north side of the street). Some diagonal parking was eliminated from 7<sup>th</sup> Street to make room for these additions. **As per the previous BPAC discussion, Jason is following up with Margot regarding recommended crosswalk markings.** The discussion of corner radii at the 7<sup>th</sup> And Mandela intersection has been tabled until the project's design phase.

### ***12<sup>th</sup> Street Dam Bike/Ped Improvements (Jose Martinez)***

The project will take the current 12-lane configuration down to 6 lanes with bicycle lanes on both sides. It will also make the channel navigable for kayakers and provide ped/bike access along the channel. There is a potential bottleneck for bike lanes on 1<sup>st</sup> Ave and the consultants are conducting a parking study to see if spaces on this street can be relocated. The interim solution for bike access is moving along. Robert expressed the importance of having the interim solution look good while making it clear that a better and permanent solution is forthcoming.

### ***Support for Regional Funding for Measure DD/Waterfront Projects***

The City is submitting an application for funding from the Regional Ped/Bike Program to help pay for the reconstruction of the 10<sup>th</sup> St. bridge over the channel. This reconstruction will allow for ped/bike access under the bridge and along the channel as per the Lake Merritt Master Plan. **BPAC passed a motion to write a letter of support for this application.**

### ***Foothill Bikeway and Resurfacing: 36<sup>th</sup> to High (Philip Ho)***

Foothill Blvd will be restriped from 4 to 3 lanes, including wide outside lanes and share-the-lane bicycle stencils. Philip passed out plan details for BPAC review. **He will be receiving BPAC feedback by email ([pho@oaklandnet.com](mailto:pho@oaklandnet.com)) on the planned crosswalk markings.** The project is scheduled to go before City Council on September 14.

### ***Whole Foods Bike/Ped Safety and Access (Claudia Cappio)***

Claudia reviewed the proposed changes to the intersections of 27<sup>th</sup>/Harrison/Bay Place and Bay Place/Vernon. She emphasized that the Whole Food development can't be held hostage to surrounding improvements that require separate decision-making processes. To this end, the Whole Foods process is addressing ped signal heads and ADA compliance at these intersections. The consideration of refuge islands will also be added to this process. **Jason is following up with Yvette regarding refuge islands.** The partial closure of 24<sup>th</sup> St. is a separate and parallel project. Additionally, bike access on 27<sup>th</sup>/Bay Place from Broadway to Grand and closure of the Harrison/27<sup>th</sup> slip turn will also be studied as a third process. While coordination between these projects is necessary, they are being pursued as separate processes. **To summarize the current state of this discussion, Robert is writing a letter to Claudia with cc's to the Planning Commission, Wlad Wlassowsky, and Nancy Nadel. Claudia will provide a status report for the next BPAC meeting.**

### ***Tunnel Road Signage and Hazard Elimination***

Hazard Elimination Safety Funding from Caltrans has been identified as a means for regrading a short stretch of Tunnel Rd. to eliminate the ongoing drainage problem. Fuad Sweiss in PWA has been assigned to the project.

### ***Summary of Actions***

- *7<sup>th</sup> Street Plan:* Jason is following up with Margot regarding recommended crosswalk markings.
- *Measure DD project:* On behalf of BPAC, Ron is writing a letter of support for the City's application for regional ped/bike funds for the reconstruction of the 10<sup>th</sup> Street bridge over the channel.
- *Foothill Bikeway:* Philip Ho will be receiving BPAC feedback by email ([pho@oaklandnet.com](mailto:pho@oaklandnet.com)) on the planned crosswalk markings.
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***Future Agenda Items***

- Discussion of potential bicycle improvements between Rockridge BART and Lake Temescal (postponed to due lack of time)
- Crosswalks at Uncontrolled Intersections (postponed due to lack of time)
- Status report on Whole Foods project at September BPAC meeting.

***Next Meeting***

Due to a scheduling conflict with Rosh Hashanah, the next BPAC meeting will be on Thursday, September 23, from 4-6pm.

Submitted by Jason Patton