



**Bicycle Pedestrian Advisory Commission  
City of Milpitas  
Sports Center Conference Room  
1325 East Calaveras Blvd.  
Milpitas, CA 95035**



**\*\*MONDAY\*\*  
August 9, 2010  
7:00 pm**

- I. Call to Order**
- II. Pledge of Allegiance**
- III. Roll Call**
- IV. Approval of the Agenda**
- V. Approval of May 10, 2010 Minutes\***
- VI. Public Forum**

*Members of the audience are invited to address the Commission on any subject not on the agenda. Speakers must supply their name and address for the record. Commission members cannot respond to issues brought forward, but may request the item to be placed on the agenda for future meeting. Each person wishing to speak on an item before the body at a regular or special meeting shall be permitted to be heard once for a maximum of three minutes*

- VII. Announcements**
  - 1. Chair Announcements**
  - 2. Commission Announcements**
    - **VTA BPAC Report (Commissioner Faupell)**
    - **Additional Commissioner reports on BPAC meetings, if any**
  - 3. Staff Announcements**
- VIII. Old Business**
  - 1. Suggested Routes to School Program Update**
- IX. New Business**
  - 1. Milpitas Police Department Traffic Matters Discussion**

*Milpitas Police will discuss recent bicycle related articles and provide a question and answer period for Commissioners.*
- X. Roundtable/Open Forum**

*The Roundtable/Open Forum allows Commissioners to address any improvements or requests in the following topics. City staff can agendaize for the next meeting and/or research and review.*

1. **Bicycle and Pedestrian Improvements**
2. **Safety**
3. **Public Awareness**

**XI. Adjournment**

**Next meeting: September 13, 2010, 7:00 pm**

**\* Attachment**

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UNAPPROVED MINUTES  
CITY OF MILPITAS

Minutes: Bicycle Pedestrian Advisory Commission (BPAC)  
Date of Meeting: May 10, 2010  
Time of Meeting: 7:00 P.M.  
Place of Meeting: Milpitas Sports Center Conference Room

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- I. CALL TO ORDER**      The meeting was called to order at 7:03 p.m.
- II. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**
- III. ROLL CALL**      *BPAC Members*  
Present: Chair Nawal Stanojevic, Vice Chair Rene Briones, Aaron Faupell, Jose Leon, Antonio Pablo, Chris Sanchez  
  
Council Member Armando Gomez , Staff member Janice Spuller  
  
Absent: No members were absent  
  
Quorum was established.
- IV. APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA**      Approval of the May 10, 2010 Agenda  
  
M/S: Leon/Faupell  
  
All Ayes
- V. APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES**      Approval of February 8, 2010 Minutes  
M/S: Leon/Sanchez  
All Ayes
- VI. PUBLIC FORUM**      *There were no members of the audience for public forum.*
- VII. ANNOUNCEMENTS**
- 1. Chair Announcements**  
Chair Faupell welcomed the new BPAC Members Antonio Pablo and Christine Sanchez.
  - 2. Commission Announcements-Commissioner reports on BPAC meetings**
    - **VTA BPAC Report (Commissioner Faupell)**
    - **Additional Commissioner reports on BPAC meetings, if any**There was a round of introduction of the members and staff liaison to familiarize the newest members of Commission.

Commissioner Faupell reported on the VTA BPAC meetings. He shared meeting minutes from the VTA BPAC March meeting. He reported there was discussion on sidewalk projects. He noted there are no projects in Milpitas and stated there are sidewalk needs for Montague.

Commissioner Faupell reported the April VTA BPAC meeting was cancelled and the next May meeting will discuss the BART Station. Ms. Spuller said she received a notice that this meeting was cancelled but she will confirm with VTA Staff.

### **3. Staff Announcements**

Ms. Spuller mentioned that the Commission Recognition Brunch was April 10. Ms. Spuller brought the certificates for the members that did not attend and refreshment. She said this commission does great work and looking into the future, BPAC will be participating in the Climate Action Plan as the City looks at different ways to reduce vehicle miles traveled (VMT) and greenhouse gas emissions. It will be exciting for this group to work on this project.

## **VIII. OLD BUSINESS**

### **1. Suggested Routes to School update**

Ms. Spuller shared a draft copy of the Milpitas Suggested Routes to School Plan. This has analysis of schools for elementary and middle making recommendations. Chair Stanojevic asked if this can be on the Milpitas Unified School District website.

In addition, Ms. Spuller said an education consultant has been going to the schools to do safety education.

The Milpitas Police Department also distributes children's bicycle helmets.

### **2. Bike to Work Day**

Ms. Spuller reminded the group about Bike to Work day this week, May 13 from 6:30-8:30am. Commissioner Leon said he will be at City Hall. Ms. Spuller distributed commemorative Bike to Work Day musette bag.

## **IX. NEW BUSINESS**

### **1. Milpitas BART Station Bicycle Facilities\***

Ms. Spuller stated the VTA has presented the City with the Milpitas Station facilities map. This item will be discussed at the June 9, 2010 VTA BPAC meeting. Also included in the agenda packet is a letter sent from the City of Milpitas to the VTA regarding the general comments regarding station facilities.

Commissioner Faupell asked if there is a bike lane in one direction along the new Milpitas Blvd. extension. Ms. Spuller stated the design looks like lane because a bike route to Capitol Avenue.

Ms. Spuller reviewed the features of the bicycle facilities.

Commissioner Faupell asked how to get from the bicycle path to the station on Milpitas Blvd. Ms. Spuller can clarify that with the group. Commissioner Faupell stated a tunnel would be good to have.

Ms. Spuller also clarified the future Pedestrian Over Crossing shown that crosses Montague Expressway will be located west of Piper Drive.

Commissioner Faupell asked for a striping plan and asked about the future Upper Berryessa Creek Trail. Ms. Spuller will clarify these questions with the VTA.

Ms. Spuller can collect comments from the members and provide them to Commissioner Faupell. She will send a reminder to the group.

Commissioner Briones wanted to clarify the BART project would include the pedestrian/bicycle overcrossing over the BART tracks from Yosemite to the other side. Ms. Spuller stated this crossing is not part of the project, and stated the development at Piper Drive will have an at-grade project.

Ms. Spuller will collect comments. The VTA BPAC is June 9, 2010 and it is open to the public.

## **X. ROUNDTABLE/ OPEN FORUM**

- 1. Bicycle and Pedestrian Improvements**
- 2. Safety**
- 3. Public Awareness**

The following comments were made during the forum:

Commissioner Faupell shared he was disappointed with the Milpitas POST article regarding Bicycle Rights written by the Milpitas Police. There were misconceptions he had hoped the Police didn't include. One example was the discussion that bicyclists should ride to as far as to the right as possible which is not how it reads in the law. There was no discussion about taking the lane when the lane is narrow or the door zone. Chair Stanojevic suggested inviting the Chief of Police or the Police Officer who wrote the article to attend. Chair Stanojevic will contact the Chief to invite him or his staff to a meeting.

Commissioner Faupell was also following up on the dirt jump bike park to see if the City Attorney was amenable to this if land and labor was provided. Ms. Spuller will follow up with City staff.

Commissioner Faupell also followed up on his last requests from the previous meeting: GIS data sharing with the VTA, sharrow locations on

South Park Victoria, Coyote Creek path striping as shown in the Bikeway Master Plan, striping on Evans Road at South Park Victoria.  
Commissioner Pablo suggested striping on Dixon Landing Road over I-880.

Commissioner Sanchez asked about the safety for pedestrians crossing Calaveras from the Milpitas Unified School District (MUSD)/Sports Center offices. The mid-block crossing is not visible and seems safe. The signs are covered by trees. Commissioner Faupell mentioned other cities have illuminated crosswalks that are ped-activated. Commissioner Sanchez was told from the City a few years ago that an illuminated crosswalk was unsafe. This is a reason she does not take her children to school.

Commissioner Faupell mentioned the Carlo Street off-ramp does not accommodate bicycles and the striping with the hash marks makes it seem unavailable for bicyclists. It would be preferred that they leave it un-hashed for bicyclists to be in the roadway.

BPAC requested the presence of the new Traffic Engineer, Steve Chan to the next meeting.

Ms. Spuller mentioned Commissioners can call 586-2600 if there are any roadway issues such as signals, trees or debris for Milpitas Public Works to attend too.

## **2. ADJOURNMENT**

Chair Stanojevic adjourned the meeting at 7:57 pm  
Next Meeting: **July 12, 2010**