



APPROVED MINUTES
CITY OF MILPITAS

Minutes: Bicycle Pedestrian Advisory Commission (BPAC)
Date of Meeting: September 12, 2011
Time of Meeting: 7:00 P.M.
Place of Meeting: Milpitas Sports Center Conference Room

- I. CALL TO ORDER** The meeting was called to order at 7:00 p.m.
- II. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**
- III. ROLL CALL** *BPAC Members*
Present: Chair Nawal Stanojevic, Vice Chair Rene Briones, Aaron Faupell, Antonio Pablo , Cris Sanchez, Chris Lee
Staff member Janice Spuller

Absent: Council Member Gomez, Jose Leon

Quorum was established.
- IV. APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA** Approval of the September 12, 2011 Agenda

M/S: Briones/Pablo

All Ayes
- V. APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES** Approval of July 11, 2011 Minutes

M/S: Briones/Lee

All Ayes
- VI. PUBLIC FORUM** Jose Esteves, Mayor, 825 Canada Drive, Milpitas, CA
Mayor Esteves visited with the Commission, as he does with all the Commissions, and also shared his view on bicycle routes versus lanes. He feels the sharrow markings [for bicycle routes] are not as safe as striped lanes. He also encouraged the Commission to participate in new development planning.
Mayor Esteves then opened up to the Commission for any additional questions they have of him.
- VII. ANNOUNCEMENTS** **1. Chair Announcements**
The Chair had no announcements.

2. Commission Announcements-Commissioner reports on BPAC

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• Commission Announcements

Commissioner Sanchez recommended a crossing guard at Perry and Edsel Drives. Potentially move one crossing guard from Park Victoria and Edsel Drive at the stop light to the Perry and Edsel crosswalk.

Ms. Spuller announced the Traffic Lieutenant is Steve Petrokovitz now. He manages the crossing guards and she will discuss this with him.

Commissioner Pablo re-stated the poor condition of the railroad track on Yosemite Drive before Milpitas Boulevard. Union Pacific still has not repaired this.

• VTA BPAC Report (Commissioner Faupell)

- Commissioner Faupell shared the VTA BPAC agendas from the previous meetings. He discussed the new Bus Rapid Transit Lines that are to be implemented in the new few months. He continued to discuss the VTA work plan.
- Commissioner Faupell stated the VTA Bike map is not up to date to reflect the City's recent changes.

3. Staff Announcements

- Ms. Spuller reminded the Commission that there are terms that need to be renewed and to contact the Mayor to be appointed.

VIII. OLD BUSINESS

1. Suggested Routes to School update

Ms. Spuller shared the Suggested Routes to School manual of all the schools. The document will be shared with the school district schools, K-8. Each student will receive a walking/biking route map. Each principal will receive the manual.

2. Santa Clara County Public Health Department Communities Putting Prevention to Work (CPPW) Grant

Ms. Spuller stated that staff is pursuing bicycle racks and healthy eating for the After the Bell Recreation Program

3. Climate Action Plan

Ms. Spuller shared a presentation of the most recent Climate Action Plan public meeting and welcomed any comments to some of the elements, especially transportation from the Commission.

4. Bicycle Parking

Ms. Spuller updated the Commission on the required parking for bicycles in the Zoning Ordinance. Ms. Spuller will share the new and pending projects in Milpitas via web link.

IX. NEW BUSINESS

1. New Bicycle Route Locations

Ms. Spuller requested the Commission to consider a bicycle route along

Los Coches Drive between Hillview and Sinclair Frontage Road. After a lot of discussion, the Commission made the following motion:
Request bicycle lanes along Los Coches Boulevard and Sinclair Frontage Road between Hillview Drive and Yosemite Drive.

Motion (Briones) to recommend bicycle lanes on both sides of Los Coches Drive and only parking on the north side adjacent to the new development, in lieu of the bicycle routes

Second: Pablo

All Ayes

Suggestions also included a crosswalk across Los Coches and private drive H.

Residents/students living in the new development would attend Randall Elementary and Rancho school, thus this is a Safe Routes to School location.

Another suggestion a bike bridge from Los Coches over I-680 to Dempsey Road.

Motion (Faupell) to remove parking on Sinclair Frontage Road; add bicycle lanes in order to make this consistent with the Safe Routes to School.

Second (Briones)

All Ayes

X. ROUNDTABLE/ OPEN FORUM

1. Bicycle and Pedestrian Improvements

2. Safety

3. Public Awareness

These were all discussed together in a round table forum.

Commissioner Briones requested sharrow lines that cross Calaveras on Abel Street. The bike lanes stop at Weller Lane on Abel Street. He also asked why the lanes stop 10 yards before Calaveras and there are bumpy/uneven spots before the intersection.

Commissioner Briones also stated the bicycle lane on the overpass on Abel near Jacklin and Milpitas has overgrown trees blocking the lane in the eastbound direction.

Commissioner Faupell wanted to follow up on the municipal code cleanup. Ms. Spuller will follow up with the City Attorney's office.

XI. ADJOURNMENT

Chair Stanojevic adjourned the meeting at 8:11 pm
Next Meeting: **November 14, 2011**