



APPROVED MINUTES
CITY OF MILPITAS

Minutes: Bicycle Pedestrian Advisory Commission (BPAC)
Date of Meeting: June 8, 2009
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: Vice Chair Nawal Stanojevic, Aaron Faupell, Cheng-Wei Pei
Staff: Janice Spuller
- Absent: Cheryl Bunnell, Rene Briones Jose Leon, Wei Sun
- Quorum was established. Vice Chair Stanojevic conducted the meeting
- IV. APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA** Approval of the June 8, 2009 Agenda
M/S: Pei/Faupell
All Ayes
- V. APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES** Approval of April 13, 2009 Minutes
M/S: Pei/Faupell
All Ayes
- VI. PUBLIC FORUM** Rob Means, 1421 Yellowstone Avenue
Mr. Means shared that he has met with the Valley Transportation Authority (VTA) and they are willing to pay for a feasibility study for Personal Rapid Transit (PRT) from Yosemite Drive to Curtis Avenue, if the City of Milpitas requests this project. Mr. Means also shared he met with Mayor Bob Livengood that day (June 8, 2009) and said he was “okay” with this project. He requested this crossing be added to the Bikeway Master Plan and reminded the commission the adoption of the Plan will be at the June 16 meeting.
- VII. ANNOUNCEMENTS**
- 1. Chair Announcements**
Vice Chair Stanojevic thanks Ms. Spuller for communicating the closures of the pedestrian sidewalks at Jacklin Road under I-680 to staff and Caltrans. Ms. Spuller explained that Caltrans is working on the I-680 widening/HOT-Express Lane project from Sunol to Hwy 237-Calaveras Blvd. Calaveras Boulevard would maintain sidewalks on both sides and Jacklin Road will have a sidewalk on the north side throughout the

project. Commissioner Faupell added the bicycles weren't accommodated as there used to be a shoulder for them to travel. Ms. Spuller will discuss this with staff.

2. Commission Announcements-Commissioner reports on BPAC meetings

Commissioner Pei reviewed minutes of other City commissions and stated that most of the other commissions are doing similar projects. He mentioned that the City of Mountain View used their TDA (Transportation Development Act) money to sponsor bicycle safety classes, pass out bicycle safety equipment and in and out of class safety lessons. Commissioner Pei also mentioned the City of Cupertino is looking at ways to promote biking and walking to school. He asked if Milpitas has a bicycling club in the schools. Commissioner Faupell mentioned he brought up the Frieker program (electronic frequent bicycle/walking pass) at the last meeting.

3. Staff Announcements

Staff Janice Spuller mentioned Chair Cheryl Bunnell contact her today to let her know she will be resigning due to her increase in her workload at her job. Chair Bunnell is also representing the City at the VTA BPAC. Ms. Spuller stated she will host an election at the August meeting for a new Chair and Vice-Chair. Commissioner Faupell asked for the time commitment of being a representative on the VTA BPAC. Ms. Spuller said the VTA meets the second Wednesday of the month in the evening. She will also notify the other members of the commission via email about the change in the Commission.

VIII. OLD BUSINESS

1. Bikeway Master Plan & System Map

Ms. Spuller announced the Plan update will be reviewed by Council and adopted at the June 16, 2009 meeting. Ms. Spuller shared a copy of the final plan as well as the system map. She requested if there are any additional comments, to please notify her by next Wednesday.

In reference to Mr. Means' PRT project, the commissioners asked if a footnote or paragraph can be included in the document regarding this crossing and what other Plan can this include. Ms. Spuller said she will check and report back to the commission.

2. Suggested Routes to School Program

Ms. Spuller updated the Commission that she has met with the City's consultant and Police staff at Burnett elementary. We will be doing some summer work and will work with the other schools next school year.

3. Bike to Work Day May 14, 2009 Update

Ms. Spuller thanks Commissioners Pei and Briones and resident Robert Gonzalo (in attendance) for volunteering. Overall there were 80-90 total bicyclists that stopped by or rode by the City's energizer Station.

Commissioner Pei mentioned that some stations had signage and banners, and directional signage. It would be nice to have that next year.

4. North Park Victoria vehicle lane reduction project

Ms. Spuller announced this project was approved at the May 19 City Council meeting. It is currently out to bid and construction will begin this summer.

IX. NEW BUSINESS

1. Bicycle Friendly Cities

Ms. Spuller announced with the close-to-completion of the Bikeway Master Plan update and System Map, she feels that the City is ready to apply for this League of American Bicyclists honor as a Bicycle Friendly Cities. She will keep the commission posted on the outcome.

2. Work Plan*

Ms. Spuller mentioned with the completion of the Commission's big project this past year, she was wondering if there is another project that they would like to pursue.

The Commission discussed hosting a commemorative ride or to celebrate the North Park Victoria project. There was also mention of partnering with a non profit to host a ride. She also distributed the Parks & Recreation Department calendar of events to consider bicycle valet service, such as the summer concert series, 4th of July, or Movies in the Park. Ms. Spuller will look into the feasibility with the mentioned ideas and will report back at the next meeting.

X. ROUNDTABLE/ OPEN FORUM

1. Bicycle and Pedestrian Improvements

There were no items of discussion regarding Bicycle and Pedestrian Improvements.

2. Safety

Commissioner Pei asked if there was anything that could be done with that pole on Calaveras Blvd, east of Piedmont Road. Ms. Spuller will look into it.

3. Public Awareness

There were no items of discussion regarding Bicycle and Pedestrian Improvements.

2. ADJOURNMENT

Vice Chair adjourned the meeting at 7:35 pm.

M/S: Pei/Faupell

All Ayes

Next Meeting: **August 10, 2009**

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