



APPROVED MINUTES  
CITY OF MILPITAS

Minutes: Bicycle Pedestrian Advisory Commission (BPAC)  
Date of Meeting: March 14, 2011  
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 7:00 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 , Cris Sanchez, Chris Lee  
Staff member Janice Spuller  
  
Absent: Council Member Gomez  
  
Quorum was established.
- IV. APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA**      Approval of the March 14, 2011 Agenda  
  
M/S: Leon/Lee  
  
All Ayes
- V. APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES**      Approval of January 10, 2011 Minutes  
  
M/S: Briones/Lee  
  
All Ayes
- VI. PUBLIC FORUM**      *No members of the public were present*
- VII. ANNOUNCEMENTS**
- 1. Chair Announcements**  
The Chair had no announcements.
  - 2. Commission Announcements-Commissioner reports on BPAC meetings**
    - **Commission Announcements**  
Commissioner Pablo contacted the Union Pacific Railroad (UPRR) Supervisor regarding the roadway condition on Yosemite Drive near the tracks. He stated UPRR is willing to fix this issue but will need to coordinate with the City because road closures are required.
    - **VTA BPAC Report (Commissioner Faupell)**

Commissioner Faupell shared the VTA BPAC agendas from the previous meetings. The VTA BPAC reviewed several projects:

- Stevens Creek Boulevard/I-280 Interchange
- County projects
- Regional funding
- I-880/Hwy 237 HOV Lanes with a toll lane
- Capitol Expressway/I-101 Bicycle Routes

He also stated that the previous meeting- they reviewed the popular routes and changes for the VTA Bike Map. He provided VTA Staff with the changes and requested Staff Janice Spuller to include

- **Additional Commissioner reports on BPAC meetings, if any**  
There were no additional announcements

### **3. Staff Announcements**

- Ms. Spuller reminded the Commission of the April 9 Commissioners Recognition Event April 9, 2011 at Dave & Busters, 9:00 am.
- She also announced the City will be submitting projects to the VTA Valley Transportation 2040 Plan. These are projects that will be submitted to the Regional Plan. The projects will be reviewed at the March 15 City Council meeting. Projects included are Calaveras Boulevard, Dixon Landing Road Widening, Dixon Landing Road/Milpitas Boulevard, South Milpitas Boulevard Roadway improvements. She can forward the listing to the group.
  - Commissioner Faupell stated that a good project would be for sidewalks on Montague Expressway for TDA funds
- Ms. Spuller stated there is a new pedestrian crossing beacon on Calaveras Boulevard near the MUSD school district before Gadsden. The Commissioners stated that the cars still do not stop when they cross and it is very dangerous. Ms. Spuller stated that that it sometimes takes awhile for motorists to get used to the beacon. Commissioner Faupell asked if the beacon was not effective, what it takes for a stop light. Ms. Spuller stated this would have to be analyzed and warranted.
- Ms. Spuller also added there is a bridge from Gill Park to the Town Center over Berryessa Creek
- Evans Road slurry seal is tentatively scheduled for the Summer of 2011

## **VIII. OLD BUSINESS**

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

### **2. BPAC Work Plan**

## **IX. NEW BUSINESS**

### **1. Open Government Training Presentation**

Ms. Spuller introduced Bronwen Lacey, Deputy City Attorney, to present the Open Government Training. Ms. Lacy referred to a handout to

educate the Commission on the Brown Act & Open Government Training. She stated training is required every 3 years. Ms. Lacey provided BPAC- related examples to how and when meetings are considered public which also includes chance conversations and email.

**2. Bike to Work Day- May 12, 2011**

Ms. Spuller announced the date of Bike to Work Day and the two locations as last year- City Hall and Montague Expressway/Main Street. Commissioner Faupell suggested the Coyote Creek Trail near Ranch Drive is a common commuter route. Ms. Spuller would be willing to add this route or move one if there is volunteers available. Ms. Spuller said the hours are from 6:30-8:30 am and shifts available. Volunteers also consist of city staff, BPAC members, and anyone else interested in helping. Commissioner Briones and Leon volunteered at Montague/Main.

The Commissions stated last year's stations are good. Commissioner Faupell stated he can talk to Sun Bike Shop for sponsorships. Commissioner Sanchez said she will volunteer. Commission Pablo will look at his schedule to volunteer.

**X. ROUNDTABLE/ OPEN FORUM**

**1. Bicycle and Pedestrian Improvements**

**2. Safety**

**3. Public Awareness**

The following comments were made during the roundtable/open forum: Commissioner Leon stated on North Milpitas there used to be a crosswalk at Berryessa Creek. He was wondering if there can be there. Commissioner Faupell asked if there be improvements to the under-crossing. Chair Stanojevic said that would require work with the [Santa Clara Valley] Water District

Commissioner Leon also stated there is a Facebook fan page for Venture Cycling. It is a nationwide US bikeway route system. It can be searched on the website under "USBRS".

Commissioner Briones asked if the abandoned tracks can be converted to trails, i.e. Rails to Trails. Ms. Spuller stated they are used, although infrequently, and the UPRR was purchased for BART.

Commissioner Faupell stated there is still sharrows on Country Club Drive located in the middle of the lane. It seems inappropriate (not that he dislikes sharrows). If there is a wide shoulder, with no parking, it is probably confusing for people. He also re-mentioned the Expressway Sidewalk Project for TDA funds. He thinks it is great about slurry work on Evans Road. Commissioner Faupell asked about the ordinance and riding on sidewalk. Ms. Spuller stated the Assistant City Attorney did say it is legal but there is some municipal ordinance cleanup. Commissioner Faupell stated the way

that code is interpreted is misleading. She will follow up with the Assistant City Attorney.

Chair Stanojevic stated she talked to Ms. Spuller about the potholes on Calaveras Boulevard heading eastbound from Hillview.

The Commission discussed the pedestrian fatalities on Calaveras Boulevard and Yosemite Drive near Sinclair Frontage Road. The discussed safety measures that could be made to prevent future fatalities such as crosswalk. There were no details on the incidents known to the Commission.

## **2. ADJOURNMENT**

Chair Stanojevic adjourned the meeting at 8:21 pm  
Next Meeting: **May 9, 2011**