



APPROVED MINUTES
CITY OF MILPITAS

Minutes: Bicycle Pedestrian Advisory Commission (BPAC)
Date of Meeting: March 12, 2012
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 , Chris Lee
Staff members: Janice Spuller
Council Member Gomez

Absent: Jose Leon Cris Sanchez

Quorum was established.

IV. APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA

Approval of the Agenda

M/S: Lee/Pablo

All Ayes

V. APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES

Approval of January 9, 2012 Minutes

M/S: Lee/Pablo

All Ayes

VI. PUBLIC FORUM

Rob Means, 1421 Yellowstone Drive

Mr. Means mentioned to the City Council about clean air requirements and CO2 reductions. He stated the first Metropolitan Planning Organizations came out with a plan that didn't respond to carbon emissions reductions. He discussed the goals of Senate Bill 375, and the policies around it. He hopes the City does a good job on their Climate Action Plan

VII. ANNOUNCEMENTS

1. Chair Announcements

The Chair had no announcements

2. Commission Announcements

The Commission had no announcements

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- **VTA BPAC Report (Commissioner Faupell)**
 - Commissioner Faupell stated the County is working on updating the Bicycle Technical Guidelines. He discussed a few new items that will be included in these guidelines.

3. Staff Announcements

- Ms. Spuller had the following announcements:
 - Commission Recognition Reception, April 17, 2012 at City Hall
 - Bicycling Events
 - i. Primavera Race April 22
 - ii. The Tour of California passing through Milpitas, May 15
 - BART groundbreaking ceremony in April
 - Public Arts Subcommittee has a display of potential artwork for City Hall. She will forward a link to vote for the preferred design.

VIII. OLD BUSINESS

1. Progress Report on Current Projects:

- Santa Clara County Public Health Department Communities Putting Prevent to work (CPPW) Grant
- Climate Action Plan
- Bicycle Parking

Ms. Spuller gave a brief update on these items collectively. They are in progress.

IX. NEW BUSINESS

1. VTA BPAC Representation

Ms. Spuller stated the VTA notified staff that Commissioner Faupell's appointment expired December 2011. She asked the group if they approve of reappointing Commissioner Faupell for the remainder of the term ending in June and reappointing Commissioner Faupell to the next two year term thereafter.

Commissioner Faupell agreed to represent Milpitas unless any other member of the commission wanted to sit on the Committee. The Commission agreed to reappoint Commissioner Faupell and thanked him for representing Milpitas.

2. Bike To Work Day

Ms. Spuller reported that the next Bike to Work Day is May 10 with the two energizer stations located at City Hall and the Shell station at Main Street and Montague Expressway

Vice Chair Briones and Commissioner Pablo volunteered at the Shell Station. Commissioner Lee volunteered at City Hall. Commissioner Faupell volunteered to pick up the supplies prior to the event.

Ms. Spuller will forward information as she receives it.

X. ROUNDTABLE/ OPEN FORUM

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

The Commission requested follow up on the previous meeting discussion items (in italics):

Commissioner Leon was wondering if “Share the Road” signage can be installed up Calaveras Road near the corners for blind spots. Locations up to the City limits as much as possible.

Ms. Spuller stated she will contact Commissioner Leon on the suitable locations for the signage.

Commissioner Faupell restated the Dixon Landing Road/I-880 striping is bad and deteriorating even though it is not in the [City’s schedule]. This is a major bicycle commuting route.

Commissioner Pablo echoed Commissioner Faupell’s comments from the previous meeting regarding the striping at Dixon Landing Road

Commissioner Pablo stated the buckling at Milpitas Blvd/Yosemite Drive near the Railroad tracks is still not attended to.

Commissioner Pablo updated that the railroad track is leveled with the pavement and they just have to overlay with fresh asphalt. It should be fixed soon.

Commissioner Briones asked if there could be additional enforcement of helmets. The Commission discussed writing a letter to the Chief of Police to request enforcing the helmet law.

A small discussion whether a letter to the Chief to promote helmet use for children was confirmed. It was agreed the group would pursue an educational campaign to promote helmet use to the youth and to provide information to the Milpitas POST’s Police liaison to discuss this. They discussed working in partnership with other groups such as the Traffic Safe Communities Network to promoted bicycle safety and helmet use or apply for grants.

In addition, the following comments were made:

Commissioner Faupell asked for the traffic lieutenant’s information for the San Jose Bike Party.

Commissioner Faupell also stated his disappointment that there were no applicants for the County Grant. The City could have been eligible for a

\$300,000 grant to improve the sidewalks near Montague Expressway and the future BART station. A local match of \$150,000 was required. Ms. Spuller stated that the loss of Redevelopment Agency funds is the reason why the City is struggling to balance their existing budget and capital improvement projects. Commissioner Faupell explained to the County that part of the reason of lack of applicants is due for the short time frame of the call for projects that the agencies do not have these programmed in their capital improvement project program.

XI. ADJOURNMENT

Chair Stanojevic adjourned the meeting at 7:48 pm
Next Meeting: **May 14, 2012**