



**Santa Cruz County Regional
Transportation Commission's**

BICYCLE ADVISORY COMMITTEE

Minutes – Final

Monday, April 11, 2016

6:00 p.m. to 8:30 pm

**RTC Office
1523 Pacific Ave
Santa Cruz, CA 95060**

1. Call to Order: 6:05 pm
2. Introductions

Members Present:

Grace Voss, District 1
Kem Akol, District 1 (Alt.)
David Casterson, District 2, Chair
Peter Scott, District 3
Amelia Conlen, District 4
Melissa Ott, City of Santa Cruz
Lex Rau, City of Scotts Valley
Daniel Kostelec, City of Capitola (Alt.)
Leo Jed, CTSC, Vice-Chair
Jim Langley, CTSC (Alt.)
Emily Gomez, Ecology Action/Bike to Work

Guests:

Claire Fliesler, City of Santa Cruz
Murray Fontes, City of Watsonville
Lynn Lauridsen, Santa Cruz County HSA
Theresia Rogerson, Santa Cruz County HSA
Randy Diccico, Member of the public
Bill Cook, Visitor, District 3

Unexcused Absences:

Excused Absences:

Jim Cook, District 2 (Alt.)
Will Menchine, District 3 (Alt.)
Bill Fieberling, City of Santa Cruz (Alt.)
Gary Milburn, City of Scotts Valley (Alt.)
Piet Canin, Ecology Action/Bike-to-Work (Alt.)
Andy Ward, City of Capitola
Rick Hyman, District 5

Vacancies:

District 4 and 5 – Alternates
City of Watsonville – Voting and Alternate

Staff:

Cory Caletti, Sr Transportation Planner
Karena Pushnik, Sr Transportation Planner

3. Announcements – Cory Caletti announced the following items of interest: 1) Cheryl Schmitt, City of Santa Cruz Transportation Coordinator is retiring following decades of public service; 2) the Active Transportation Program call for projects has been released and grant applications will be due early June; 3) an Open House to share preliminary designs of the north coast will likely be held at the end of May and an e-news alert will be sent to notify the public; 4) reappointments and new appointment as reflected in the roster were announced and new member Grace Voss was welcomed; 5) the next meeting will be held one week earlier, on Monday, June 6th, 2016;

and 6) handouts from member of the public Steve Piercy for Item #11 and one from Committee member Rick Hyman regarding the ATP discussion item were distributed.

4. Oral communications – Lex Rau indicated that a City of Scotts Valley project under design will be coming to the Bicycle Advisory Committee in the near future for review. Scott Hamby, City of Santa Cruz Public Works Department, has been sharing preliminary designs. Leo Jed provided a legislative update.
5. Additions or deletions to consent and regular agendas – None

CONSENT AGENDA

A motion (Jed/Conlen) to approve the consent agenda passed unanimously with members Voss, Casterson, Scott, Conlen, Ott, Rau, Kostelec, Jed and Gomez voting in favor. No votes were cast in opposition.

6. Approved draft minutes of the February 8, 2016 Bicycle Advisory Committee meeting
7. Accepted summary of Bicycle Hazard reports

REGULAR AGENDA

8. Office Elections – Cory Caletti, RTC Senior Transportation Planner thanked Chair Casterson and Vice-Chair Jed for their service over the past year. A motion was made (Casterson/Voss) to elect Amelia Conlen for the position of Chair for next one-year term. The motion passed unanimously with members Voss, Casterson, Scott, Conlen, Ott, Rau, Kostelec, Jed and Gomez voting in favor. No votes were cast in opposition. A motion (Scott/Kostelec) was made to elect Leo Jed as Vice-Chair for another one-year term. The motion failed with members Scott, Jed, Kostelec, Rau voting in favor and members Voss, Casterson, Conlen, Ott, and Gomez voting in opposition. Another motion was made (Gomez/Ott) to elect David Casterson to serve as Vice-Chair. The motion passed with the following members voting in favor: Voss, Casterson, Conlen, Ott, and Gomez. All others opposed. All members thanked David Casterson and Leo Jed for their service as Chair and Vice-Chair, respectively.
9. City of Watsonville Rail Trail Preliminary Design – Murray Fontes, City of Watsonville Principal Engineer presented preliminary designs for the City's rail trail project tentatively scheduled to be constructed in 2018.
10. City of Santa Cruz Active Transportation Program Grant Project Ideas – Claire Fliesler, City of Santa Cruz Transportation Planner, presented projects that the City of Santa Cruz is considering submitting grant applications for. Committee members provided feedback and expressed support.
11. 2016 Transportation Investment Plan Outreach Ideas – Karena Pushnik, RTC Senior Transportation Planner, solicited and received outreach ideas for informing the public about transportation funding shortfalls and the proposed draft Transportation Investment Plan.
12. Health Service Agency's TDA allocation request for \$100,000 for the Community Traffic Safety Coalition and the Ride 'n Stride Bicycle and Pedestrian Education Programs – Lynn Lauridsen and Theresa Rogerson, County of Santa Cruz Health Services Agency (HAS) staff, presented the TDA allocation request and provided a summary of the work programs for CTSC and the Ride'n Stride programs. HSA staff particularly emphasized work proposed on a new Vision Zero policy

aimed at eliminated all traffic related fatalities and serious injuries. A motion was made (Kostelec/Scott) to recommend that the RTC approve the allocation request. The motion passed unanimously with members Voss, Casterson, Scott, Conlen, Ott, Rau, Kostelec, Jed and Gomez voting in favor.

13. Ecology Action's Transportation Development Act allocation request for \$50,000 for the Bike to Work Program – Emily Gomez, Ecology Action staff, summarized the Bike to Work program and next year's scope of work. A motion was made (Jed/Casterson) to recommend that the RTC approve the allocation request. The motion passed unanimously with members Voss, Casterson, Scott, Conlen, Ott, Rau, Kostelec, Jed and Gomez voting in favor.
14. Accepted current roster
15. Updates related to Committee functions – none
16. Adjourned – 8:25 p.m.

NEXT MEETING: The next Bicycle Committee meeting is scheduled one week earlier than usual on **Monday, June 6, 2016**, from 6:00 pm to 8:30 pm at the RTC office, 1523 Pacific Ave, Santa Cruz, CA.

Minutes respectfully prepared and submitted by:

Cory Caletti, Senior Transportation Planner

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