



Santa Cruz County Regional  
Transportation Commission's

BICYCLE ADVISORY COMMITTEE

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**MINUTES**

**Special Meeting  
Monday, September 10, 2018  
6:00 pm to 8:30 pm**

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

1. Call to Order: Chair, Amelia Conlen called the meeting to order at 6:01 pm.
2. Introductions

**Members Present:**

Amelia Conlen, Bike-to-Work, Chair  
Grace Voss, District 1  
Janneke Strause, District 1 (Alt)  
Casey Beyer, District 2 (Alt.)  
Peter Scott, District 3  
Theresa Rogerson, District 5 (Alt.)  
Michael Moore, City of Capitola  
Kelly Bond, City of Santa Cruz  
Richard Masoner, City of Scotts Valley  
Murray Fontes, City of Watsonville  
Leo Jed, CTSC

**Staff:**

Anais Schenk, Transportation Planner  
Rachel Moriconi, Sr. Transportation Planner  
Brianna Goodman, Transportation Planner  
Tommy Travers, Transportation Planning  
Technician

**Guests:**

Claire Fliesler, City of Santa Cruz  
Jesse Frey, Current eBikes  
Anna Kammer, nomination pending  
Patrick McDermott  
Matt Miller, Ecology Action  
Dimitry Struve, MBOSC  
Drew Rogers, Member of the public

**Unexcused Absences:**

**Excused Absences:**

Shea Johnson, District 2  
Will Menchine, District 3 (Alt.)  
Rick Hyman, District 5  
Jo Fleming, City of Scotts Valley (Alt.)  
Jim Langley, CTSC (Alt.)  
Kira Ticus, Bike-to-Work (Alt.)

**Vacancies:**

District 4 – Voting and Alternate  
City of Santa Cruz – Alternate  
City of Capitola – Alternate  
City of Watsonville – Alternate

3. Announcements – None

4. Oral communications – Janneke Strause announced that SafeTREC is developing a tool for the public to record accidents/incidents involving bicycles, and the RTC should consider incorporating it into its Hazard Report for tracking. Grace Voss announced that the Santa Cruz County Cycling Club held a very successful event that raised funds to provide grants for educational programs. Leo Jed discussed recent improvements to Branciforte Drive. Murray Fontes announced a number of recent outreach efforts that the City of Watsonville has been conducting for various projects including the Downtown Complete Streets program, the Safe Routes to School plan, a Draft Vision Zero Action Plan, the Freedom Blvd Plan Line Study. He also announced that the city applied for an Active Transportation Program grant for a pedestrian and bicycle freeway overcrossing at Pajaro Valley High School and other neighborhood improvements. Peter Scott announced that the Committee should consider requesting improved signage/markings along the East Cliff path in Pleasure Point. Theresia announced that the CTSC is working on a Vision Zero effort for all jurisdictions; having helped the City of Watsonville they are now discussing the possibility of a program with the City of Santa Cruz.
5. Additions or deletions to consent and regular agendas – Replacement pages were provided for item 8: summary of Hazard Reports. The order of items 14 and 15 on the Regular Agenda were changed so that item 15 was before item 14.

#### **CONSENT AGENDA**

A motion (Jed/Moore) was made to approve the consent agenda. The motion passed unanimously with members Conlen, Voss, Beyer, Scott, Rogerson, Bond, Masoner, Jed, Moore and Fontes, voting in favor.

6. Approve draft minutes of the June 11, 2018 Bicycle Advisory Committee meeting
7. Approve staff recommendation for new Bicycle Advisory Committee nominations
8. Accept summary of Hazard Reports
9. Accept correspondence from the public and Bicycle Advisory Committee member Peter Scott
10. Accept correspondence with the City of Scotts Valley on Green Hills/Glen Canyon Road Repaving Project
11. Information Only: RTC recent letters of support for grant applications
12. Information Only: North Coast Rail Trail Draft Environment Impact Report Notice of Availability

#### **REGULAR AGENDA**

13. Presentation on JUMP Bike Share – Claire Fliesler, Transportation Planner for the City of Santa Cruz provided background, usage statistics, average service response, and possible future changes/expansion of the new bike share program. The Committee asked questions about youth, safety, parking and riding behavior, helmet usage, scooter share, and expansion into other jurisdictions. A motion was made (Jed/Bond)

directing staff to compose a letter requesting the county and other cities to implement bike share, preferably with JUMP for integration with Santa Cruz's system. The motion passed unanimously with members Conlen, Voss, Beyer, Scott, Rogerson, Moore, Masoner, Fontes, Jed and Bond voting in favor.

15. Presentation on "Every Day is Bike to Work Day" program report – Matt Miller, Planner with Ecology Action provided information about the workplace bike challenge program, Cycle September. He demonstrated use of the web interface and reported participation statistics, including increased ridership of new cyclists. The Committee asked questions about the participating organizations and about integration with mobile apps.
14. Presentation on Ecology Action's Safe Routes to School planning grants – Amelia Conlen, Planner with Ecology Action provided information about the youth education safety programs Bike Smart and Walk Smart, including participation rates and results. She also provided an update on the countywide Safe Routes to School planning effort for Watsonville and the unincorporated county, including the goals of the plans and a description of the process and upcoming public input events.
16. Update on Highway 9 / San Lorenzo Valley Corridor Plan – Brianna Goodman, RTC Transportation Planner provided an update on the San Lorenzo Valley Complete Streets Corridor Plan. Staff received high rates of public participation and they expect to complete the plan this year. She discussed grants, goals, and priority projects for bicycle and pedestrian infrastructure and safety improvements including access to schools. The Committee asked questions about bicycle infrastructure details and timelines.
17. Update on Senate Bill (SB) 1 / Proposition (Prop) 6 (oral report) – Rachel Moriconi, RTC Senior Transportation Planner discussed the county's backlog of transportation repair needs and the funding of current and future projects being provided by SB1. She also described the funding programs that rely on SB1 funds. The Committee discussed public awareness of SB1 funding and Prop 6.
18. Update on Caltrans District 5 Bicycle Plan (oral report) – Anais Schenk, RTC Transportation Planner informed the Committee that Caltrans is developing a Bicycle Plan for each of the Districts in the state and that she has requested they come to the Committee for input.
19. Update on Bicycle Committee Orientation Day (oral report) – Anais Schenk, RTC Transportation Planner reported that she is planning an orientation session for Committee members to discuss the role of the committee.
20. Updates related to Committee functions – Theresia Rogerson discussed the design of a "bike box" in Scotts Valley. Kelly Bond raised the issue of the signage on Branciforte Drive. A motion was made (Scott/Voss) directing staff to compose a letter to the County of Santa Cruz requesting the replacement of "Share the Road" signs on Branciforte Drive with "Bikes May Use Full Lane" and to add sharrows. The motion passed unanimously with members Conlen, Voss, Rogerson, Moore, Bond, Fontes, and Scott voting in favor. Amelia Conlen stated that she and staff are considering proposing a change of the Committee's regularly scheduled meeting time and/or day which would be discussed at the upcoming orientation session.

21. Adjourn – 8:25 pm

**NEXT MEETING:** The next Bicycle Committee meeting is scheduled for October 15, 2018 from 6:00pm to 8:30pm at the RTC office, 1523 Pacific Ave, Santa Cruz, CA.

Minutes respectfully prepared and submitted by:  
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