

Santa Cruz County Regional Transportation Commission's

BICYCLE ADVISORY COMMITTEE

FINAL MINUTES

Monday, February 11, 2019 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 6:02 pm.
- 2. Introductions

Members Present:

Amelia Conlen, Bike-to-Work, Chair Janneke Strause, District 1 (Alt.) Shea Johnson, District 2 Peter Scott, District 3 Anna Kammer, District 4 Rick Hyman, District 5 Theresia Rogerson, District 5 (Alt.) Richard Masoner, City of Scotts Valley Bruce Sawhill, City of Santa Cruz (Alt.) Murray Fontes, City of Watsonville Drew Rogers, City of Watsonville (Alt.) Leo Jed, CTSC

Unexcused Absences:

Excused Absences:

Grace Voss, District 1
Casey Beyer, District 2 (Alt.)
Will Menchine, District 3 (Alt.)
Michael Moore, City of Capitola
Matt Farrell, City of Santa Cruz
Jim Langley, CTSC (Alt.)
Kira Ticus, Bike-to-Work (Alt.)

Vacancies:

District 4 – Alternate City of Capitola – Alternate City of Scotts Valley - Alternate

Staff:

Luis Mendez, Deputy Director Rachel Moriconi, Senior Transportation Planner (by phone) Anais Schenk, Transportation Planner Tommy Travers, Transportation Planning Technician

Guests:

Paul Carlson, member of the public Ailish, member of the public

- 3. Announcements Staff announced that the Final Environmental Impact Report for the North Coast Rail Trail has been released and is accepting comments, that committee alternate for Scotts Valley Jo Flemming has resigned, and that the June and August meetings would be held at the Santa Cruz County Community Foundation in Aptos and Cabrillo Extension in Watsonville respectively.
- 4. Oral communications Committee alternate Strause announced that Bike Santa Cruz County is holding a Light Up the Night community bike ride in Watsonville on March 29, and that the organization will have a team in the Climate Ride. Member Rogerson announced that Watsonville slough trail bike rides with the mayor should take place every month going forward. Member of the public Paul Carlson discussed a recent incident with a Boardwalk vehicle operating on the Beach Street bike path. Committee members discussed vehicle code for street legal vehicles and requested that the City of Santa Cruz Committee member follow up with an inquiry to the City of Santa Cruz regarding what vehicles are allowed on bike paths. Members discussed Committee involvement with rail trail segment design review and requested clarification from staff regarding the design review process.
- 5. Additions or deletions to consent and regular agendas Item 10 deleted.

CONSENT AGENDA

Members requested staff follow up on hazard report responses when out of office messages are sent by the jurisdiction's point of contact. A motion (Jed/Masoner) was made to approve the consent agenda. The motion passed unanimously with members Conlen, Strause, Johnson, Scott, Kammer, Hyman, Masoner, Sawhill, Fontes, and Jed voting in favor.

- 6. Approve draft minutes of the December 11, 2018 Bicycle Advisory Committee meeting
- 7. Accept summary of hazard reports
- 8. Accept correspondence:
 - a. from staff to the County of Santa Cruz regarding Conference Drive b. from Peter Stanger to the Bicycle Advisory Committee regarding San Andreas Road at Bonita Drive.

REGULAR AGENDA

9. Draft Highway 9/San Lorenzo Valley Complete Streets Corridor Plan – Tommy Travers, RTC Transportation Planning Technician, presented the draft plan beginning with background, purpose and community input. He described the key types of proposed improvements, criteria used to evaluate projects and concepts, and provided further description of specific bicycle projects. Last, he described implementation of the plan. Committee member Hyman summarized the Ad-Hoc Subcommittee's comments in a proposed letter which included recommendations regarding a number of issue areas including facility design, vehicle parking, bicycle amenities, and signage. Following discussion, a motion (Masoner/Strause) was made to write a letter to the RTC Commission including the Ad-Hoc Subcommittee's comments as well as additional recommendations from other Committee members regarding the Draft Plan, including: adding sharrows in locations where other bike

facilities are not added, prioritizing the school campuses access projects in Felton, consideration of installing temporary demonstration projects, and inclusion of the Committee in design review of Plan projects. The motion passed unanimously with members Conlen, Strause, Johnson, Scott, Kammer, Hyman, Masoner, Sawhill, Fontes, and Jed voting in favor.

- 10. Bike Secure Program Discussion Deleted
- 11. Crowdsourced Near-miss Collision Data Collection Anais Schenk, RTC Transportation Planner, relayed a request from the Community Traffic Safety Coalition that the Committee share knowledge and discuss free crowdsourced data collection websites. Members discussed SafeTREC's Street Story app as well as the hazard reporting apps of the City of Santa Cruz and the County. Discussion included desire for crash data more recent than what is available from SWITRS, near-misses and hazards which are not currently being tracked, and mobile tracking or origin-destination data.
- 12. Updates related to Committee functions Committee member Hyman requested that staff discuss with Caltrans shoulder widening with respect to their future viaduct repair work near Highway 9 postmile 1.0. Member Kammer invited others to attend the South County Bicycle and Pedestrian Work Group meeting March 5. Members discussed notification to users of the resolution of hazard reports. Member Jed discussed a legislative bill to change state law regarding consideration of all road users in transportation projects.
- 13. Adjourn 7:48 pm

NEXT MEETING: The next Bicycle Committee meeting is scheduled for April 8, 2019 from 6:00pm to 8:30pm at the RTC office, 1523 Pacific Ave, Santa Cruz, CA.

Minutes respectfully prepared and submitted by: Tommy Travers, Transportation Planning Technician