

TRANSPORTATION AGENCY FOR MONTEREY COUNTY (TAMC)**Bicycle and Pedestrian Facilities Advisory Committee****Final Minutes of October 5, 2016**

Held at the Transportation Agency office

55 Plaza, Cir. Suite B, Salinas, CA

Voting Members	FEB 16	MAR 16	APR 16	MAY 16	JUN 16	AUG 16	SEP 16	OCT 16
Eric Petersen, District 1, Chair	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P
Jerry Ramos – District 2	E	E	E	E	E	-	-	E
Jeff Wriedt, District 4 (<i>Frank Henderson</i>)	P	E	P	P	P	P(A)	P	P
Jeff Lindenthal, District 5 (<i>Geof Tibbitts</i>)	P	P	P	P	P	E	P	P
D. L. Johnson , Carmel-By-The Sea	P	P	P	P	P	-	P	P
Del Rey Oaks - vacant	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Gonzales - Vacant	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Greenfield - Vacant	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Michael LeBarre, King City	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P
Vacant, Marina, Vice Chair (<i>Debra Daniels</i>)								-
Monterey - Vacant,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Linda Petersen, Pacific Grove (<i>Tony Prock</i>)	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	E
Chris Flescher, Salinas (<i>Mark Lasnik</i>)	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P
Sand City - Vacant	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Jan Valencia, Seaside	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P
Soledad - Vacant	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
David Craft, MBUAPCD	P	-	P	-	P	P	P	P
Lisa Rheinheimer, Monterey Salinas Transit	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P
Bill Boosman, Velo Club of Monterey (<i>Vera Noghera</i>)	P	P	P	P	P(A)	P(A)	P(A)	P(A)
Mary Israel, FORA (<i>Jonathan Brinkmann</i>)	P	P	P	P	P	-	-	P
N. County Recreation & Park District - Vacant	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
James Serrano, Salinas Public Works	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Raul Martinez – County Public Works	-	P(A)	P	P(A)	P	E	P	-
Caltrans - District 5	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
–AMBAG (<i>Sasha Tepedelenova</i>)	P(A)	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Kevin Cole, Pebble Beach Company	E	P	-	-	P	E	P	P
Brian Cook, CSUMB	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P

E – Excused

VC – Video Conference

P(A) – Alternate

TC – Teleconference

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TRANSPORTATION AGENCY STAFF								
Debbie Hale, Executive Director	E	E	E	E	E	E	-	-
Todd Muck, Deputy Executive Director	E	E	E	E	E	E	P	-
Ariana Green, Associate Transportation Planner	P	P	P	E	P	P	E	-
Virginia Murillo, Asst. Transportation Planner	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P
Maria Montiel, Administrative Assistant	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P

OTHERS PRESENT:

Cynthia Suverkrop Oak Hills resident Dana Suverkrop Oak Hills resident
Enrique Saavedra Monterey County Public Works

1. Chair Eric Petersen called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m. A quorum was established and self-introductions were made.

2. **PUBLIC COMMENTS**

Cynthia Suverkrop, Oak Hills resident, mentioned that she attended last week’s Transportation Agency Board meeting, where she heard a presentation on the Active Transportation Plan. She noted that Oak Hills students and residents are isolated from walking or biking to school and students need to be bussed or driven to school. Ms. Suverkrop said that there is a need for a bike and pedestrian path connection from Oak Hills to the surrounding communities.

3. **BEGINNING OF CONSENT AGENDA**

M/S/C LeBarre /Wriedt /unanimous

- 3.1 Approved minutes of the Bicycle and Pedestrian Facilities Advisory Committee meeting of September 7, 2016.

- 3.2 Received the call for nominations for the fifteenth annual Transportation Agency Excellence awards to honor individuals, businesses, groups or projects for their efforts to improve the transportation system in Monterey County.

END OF CONSENT AGENDA

4. **COMMITTEE PHOTO**

The Committee took a group photo.

5. DAVIS ROAD BRIDGE REPLACEMENT AND ROAD WIDENING

Enrique Saavedra, Monterey County Public Works, reported that County of Monterey is working on the Davis Road Bridge Replacement and Road Widening project. The project's environmental impact report is now certified, and the Federal Highway Administration is contributing 88% of the project cost. He noted that this project is part of the Marina-Salinas Multimodal Corridor Plan improvements. The project will widen Davis Road from two to four lanes for a distance of approximately 2.1 miles between Blanco Road and Reservation Road, and replace the existing two-lane, low-level Davis Road Bridge over the Salinas River with a longer bridge that meets current American Association of State Highway and Transportation Officials requirements, and that will not flood during winter months as the current bridge does. He noted that Davis Road is identified as a critical link in the countywide transportation system that is needed to handle future increases in traffic between the City of Salinas and the Monterey Peninsula.

Committee member Lisa Rheinheimer asked if pedestrians will be accommodated in the project. Mr. Saavedra said the project will not accommodate pedestrians, as there is low pedestrian traffic in the area.

Committee member Jeff Lindenthal asked about schedule conflicts with the Highway 68 bridge project. Mr. Saavedra said the project construction schedules will not overlap.

The Committee had the following comments and suggestions on the Davis Road Bridge Replacement and Road Widening Project:

- More mountain bicyclists are now using this road to access the Fort Ord National Monument
- Consider roundabouts, as they can be safer than traffic lights
- Consider buffered bike lanes and green paint treatments at crossings
- Consider adhering to the highway design manual standards
- Consider installing flexible delineators on the field side of the bike lanes
- Consider installing gutters and a fence on the field side of the project
- Consider installing the bridge railings instead of the concrete wall bridge

6. 2016 SILICON VALLEY BIKE SUMMIT

Chair Eric Petersen reported on the 2016 Silicon Valley Bike Summit. He noted that representatives from the California Department of Transportation, Caltrans discussed the latest and greatest policies, plans and guidelines for bikeway design in the state. He noted that the City of San Jose is starting a Vision Zero San Jose for moving toward zero traffic deaths and providing safe streets for all. He noted that Vision Zero plans make safety the number one priority, identify the most dangerous corridors and target safety improvements there.

Virginia Murillo, Assistant Transportation Planner reported that the City of Monterey received a grant and will be working on a Vision Zero plan.

7. **BICYCLE AND PEDESTRIAN EDUCATION AND OUTREACH ACTIVITIES**

The Committee received an update on the Transportation Agency's past and upcoming bicycle and pedestrian education and outreach activities.

Virginia Murillo, Assistant Transportation Planner reported that that in 2015, the Transportation Agency started BikeSAFE, a new bicycle education program focused on teaching Monterey County residents how to ride safely, legally, and predictably on the roadway. The program includes bicycle safety trainings for both adults and children. She noted that the adult trainings include an online tutorial that must be completed before an on-bike session taught by a League of American Bicyclists-certified instructor. The Transportation Agency, in collaboration with CSU Monterey Bay, hosted two bike skills education trainings in September. She noted that the Agency will be hosting a League of American Bicyclists Cycling Instructor (LCI) Seminar on October 21 – 23.

She noted that the Agency participated on the October 1st "Take a Kid Mountain Biking" event and the will partner with the City of Salinas to do a full scale demonstration of a protected bike lane and "cycletrack" at October 9th "Ciclovía" open streets event. In addition to distributing bike education materials and information about the Agency's current projects, staff will be distributing and fitting 144 helmets for kids and adults.

Chair Peterson noted that Committee member Jerry Ramos emailed his comments on this item. Committee member Ramos noted that he completed the first Bike Skills class in May 2015, and he would like to attend the LCI training on October 21-23. He also noted that he appreciates the Transportation Agency for helping cover the cost of \$250 of the \$300 LCI registration fee in exchange for volunteering to teach a class in the coming year, but asked that the Transportation Agency offer a full scholarship in the future.

8. **ANNOUNCEMENTS AND/OR COMMENTS**

Enrique Saavedra noted that the Castroville Bridge Crossing project opened up for bids last month and noted that the same contractors working on the Highway 68 bridge project will be awarded the Castroville project contract. The Monterey County Public Works Department will be hosting a groundbreaking in the month of November.

Committee member Michael LeBarre reminded all about using the Wikimap and mentioned that your feedback is a key component of the Active Transportation Plan.

Committee member DL Johnson noted that he watched the Transportation Agency Board meeting on television.

Chair Petersen reminded Committee members about the 4th annual Ciclovía event on October 9th. He also announced that Transportation Agency staff Ariana Green had healthy twin boys last month.

9. **ADJOURNMENT**

Chair Petersen adjourned the meeting at 7:01 pm