



Regional Transportation Planning Agency - Local Transportation Commission
Monterey County Service Authority for Freeways and Expressways
Monterey County Regional Development Impact Fee Joint Powers Agency
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Bicycle and Pedestrian Facilities Advisory Committee

Wednesday, April 3, 2024

****6:00 PM****

MEETING LOCATION

55-B Plaza Circle, Salinas, California 93901
Transportation Agency Conference Room

Members of the public & non-voting members may join meeting online at:
<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/990276709?pwd=QXBRbWF6ajh6M3dOR3hnbGloRlhRZz09>

OR

Via teleconference at +1 669 900 6833

Meeting ID: 990 276 709

Password: 352877

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1. Quorum Check - Call to Order

Call to order and self-introductions. Committee bylaws specify that quorum shall consist of a majority (7) of the number of voting memberships actually filled at the time (13); the existence of any vacancies shall not be counted for purposes of establishing a quorum.

If you are unable to attend, please contact your alternate. Your courtesy to the other Transportation Agency Committee members to assure a quorum is appreciated.

2. PUBLIC COMMENTS

Any member of the public may address the Board on any item not on the agenda but within the jurisdiction of the Board. All public comments are limited to three (3) minutes, unless specified otherwise by the committee chair. Comments in items on this agenda may be given when that agenda item is discussed. Persons who wish to address the Board for public comment or on an item on the agenda are encouraged to submit comments in writing to Maria at maria@tamcmonterey.org by 5:00 pm the Monday before the meeting, and such comments

will be distributed to the Board before the meeting.

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3. **CONSENT AGENDA**

Approve the staff recommendations for items listed below by majority vote with one motion. Any member may pull an item off the Consent Agenda to be moved to the end of the **CONSENT AGENDA** for discussion and action.

- 3.1. **APPROVE** the draft Bicycle and Pedestrian Facilities Advisory Committee Minutes for March 6, 2024.

- Maria Montiel

The draft minutes of the March 6, 2024 Bicycle and Pedestrian Facilities Advisory Committee meeting are attached for review.

4. **RECEIVE** a presentation on traffic system, pedestrian, and bike projects in the City of Monterey.

- Ariadne Sambrano, Marissa Garcia, City of Monterey

Marissa Garcia, a Public Works Engineer for the City of Monterey, will present updates on the citywide traffic system, pedestrian, and bike projects. The presentation will cover the current status and future plans for the City of Monterey's adaptive traffic signal system, which is now active on six of the city's seven arterial corridors and will eventually encompass 51 of the city's 56 intersections. This system adjusts signal timing to help improve the flow of vehicles, highlighting ongoing efforts to enhance traffic efficiency and safety throughout Monterey.

5. **PROVIDE FEEDBACK** on focused engagement strategies for the Laguna Grande segment of the Fort Ord Regional Trail and Greenway (FORTAG) project.

- Amelia Conlen

Transportation Agency staff are preparing an application for funding through Cycle 7 of the Active Transportation Program (ATP) for the Laguna Grande segment of the Fort Ord Regional Trail and Greenway (FORTAG). TAMC staff seeks insight from Bike and Pedestrian Committee members on developing targeted engagement strategies for

disadvantaged communities, aiming to uplift and prioritize their voices in the project's development.

6. ANNOUNCEMENTS and/or COMMENTS

7. ADJOURN

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Next Committee meeting will be held at
Wednesday, May 1, 2024 at 6:00 P.M.

99 El Camino Real, Greenfield, CA 93927
Greenfield Council Chambers

A quorum of voting members is required to be present to hold this meeting.

There will be a zoom link for hybrid participation by members of the public.

Voting members: please note that the circumstances in which you may remotely teleconference have been severely curtailed and require prior notice and only certain justifications. Click [here](#) for more details.

If you have any items for the next agenda, please submit them to:
Aaron Hernandez, Bicycle and Pedestrian Facilities Advisory Committee Coordinator
Aaron@tamcmonterey.org

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Memorandum

To: Bicycle and Pedestrian Facilities Advisory Committee
From: Maria Montiel, Administrative Assistant
Meeting Date: April 3, 2024
Subject: **Draft BPC Minutes**

RECOMMENDED ACTION:

APPROVE the draft Bicycle and Pedestrian Facilities Advisory Committee Minutes for March 6, 2024.

SUMMARY:

The draft minutes of the March 6, 2024 Bicycle and Pedestrian Facilities Advisory Committee meeting are attached for review.

FINANCIAL IMPACT:

None.

DISCUSSION:**ATTACHMENTS:**

1. BPC Draft March 6, 2024 MINUTES

WEB ATTACHMENTS:

**TRANSPORTATION AGENCY FOR MONTEREY COUNTY (TAMC)
Bicycle and Pedestrian Facilities Advisory Committee**

Draft Minutes of March 6, 2024
Sand City Chambers Council Room
1 Pendergrass Way, Sand City, CA 93955

Voting Members	AUG 23	SEP 23	OCT 23	NOV 23	DEC 23	JAN 24	FEB 24	MAR 24
Eric Petersen, District 1	P	C	P	P	N	P	P	P
Victor Tafoya– District 2 (David Tavarez)	-	A	E	-	O	P	P	P
Mike Novo – District 3, Vice Chair (Nathalie Gomez)	P	N	P	P	M	P	P	E
Jeff Wriedt, District 4 (Frank Henderson)	P	C	P	P	E	P	P	E
Martin Wegenstein, District 5, Chair (vacant)	P	E	P	P(A)	E	P	P	P
D. L. Johnson, Carmel-By-The Sea	P	L	P	-	T	P	E	P
Del Rey Oaks - vacant	-	L	-	-	I	-	-	-
Gonzales - Vacant	-	E	-	-	N	-	-	-
Ernest Gallardo, Greenfield	P	D	P	P	G	P	P	E
King City – vacant	-		-	-		-	-	-
Liesbeth Visscher, Marina	-		-	-		-	P	P
Gino Garcia, Monterey (Abby Ostovar)	P		E	P		E	E	P
Katie Stern, Pacific Grove (Lester Brown)	P		E	P		E	P(A)	P
Chris Flescher, Salinas (Mark Lasnik)	P		P	P		P	P	P
Elizabeth (Libby) Sofer, Sand City	P		E	P		P	P	P
Ralph Wege, Seaside (Jan Valencia)	-		P	P(A)		P	P	P
Soledad - Vacant	-		-	-		-	-	-
Marzette Henderson, Monterey Salinas Transit (Michelle Overmeyer)	P		P	P		P	E	P
Mark Chaffey, Velo Club of Monterey (Alex Capelli)	P		P	P		P	P	P
N. County Recreation & Park District - Vacant	-		-	-		-	-	-
Salinas Public Works - Vacant	-		-	-		-	-	-
Monterey County Public Works – Vacant	-		-	-		-	-	-
Caltrans - District 5 - Vacant	-		-	-		-	-	-
AMBAG (Will Condon)	-		-	-		P(VC)	-	-
CSUMB -vacant	-			-		-	-	-

E – Excused
P(A) – Alternate
A - Absent

VC – Video Conference
TC – Teleconference

TRANSPORTATION AGENCY STAFF	AUG 23	SEP 23	OCT 23	NOV 23	DEC 23	JAN 24	FEB 24	MAR 24
Todd Muck, Executive Director	-		P	E		E	E	E
Ariana Green, Principal Transportation Planner	-		-	-		-	-	-
Maria Montiel, Administrative Assistant	P		P	P		P	P	P
Mike Zeller, Director of Progaming and Project Delivery	P (VC)		-	-		-	-	-
Laurie Williamson, Senior Engineer	-		-	-		-	-	-
Christina Watson, Director of Planning	P		-	P		P	P	P
Janneke Strause, Associate Transportation Planner	P		P	P		P	E	-
Aaron Hernandez, Transportation Planner	-		-	-		-	P	P(VC)
Alissa Guther, Transportation Planner	P		-	-		-	P (VC)	P(VC)
Doug Bilse, Principal Engineer	P (VC)		-	-		-	P	P
Ariadne Sambrano, Transportation Planner			P	P		P	P	P
OTHERS PRESENT:								
Jeff Wriedt (VC)	District 4	Mike Novo (VC)			District 3			
Hans Hoffman Jr.	Public	Nathalie Gomez (VC)			District 3 Alternate			
Greg Hamer (VC)	Public	Mari Lynch (VC)			Public			

1. Chair Wegenstein called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m. A quorum was established, and Maria Montiel took roll call.

2. PUBLIC COMMENTS

Committee Member Libby Sofer announced the Sand City Criterium is scheduled for April 14, 2024. She also noted two street improvements on Contra Costa and Catalina Street.

Mari Lynch, member of public, announced an Active Transportation Funding news event on March 14 at 9:30am.

3. BEGINNING OF CONSENT AGENDA

M/S/C Sofer/ Tafoya

Abstain: Katie Stern, Gino Garcia, DL Johnson, and Marzette Henderson

3.1 Approved minutes of the Bicycle and Pedestrian Facilities Advisory Committee meeting of February 7, 2024.

END OF CONSENT AGENDA

4. 2024 BIKE MONTH ACTIVITIES

The Committee received a presentation on and provided input on possible Bike Month activities for May 2024.

Ariadne Sambrano, Transportation Planner, reported that Transportation Agency staff are seeking input from the Committee on possible Bike Month activities they would like to lead or participate in. Ms. Sambrano noted that staff has hosted Bike month events and activities including bike safety classes, community rides, Bike and Walk to Work/School Day events, bike movie nights, giveaways of helmets and other gear, and month-long challenges that award prizes to people who log their activity on a platform. She noted that TAMC can support Bike Month activities by developing posters or fliers to promote events, sharing information on social media, and providing prizes for participants.

The Committee had the following comments and input on the Bike Month activities for May 2024:

- Consider an event table on April 13 for Earth Day
- Mike Novo volunteered to assist with South County events
- Consider Velo Club host a 1-2 hour bike ride during bike month
- Consider community rides targeting new riders
- Consider working with the Police Department
- Consider an event table at the First Fridays
- Consider a "bike-in" movie night event and a related bike film
- Consider purchasing bike helmets and bike lights to give away
- Consider bike audits for pothole repair and maintenance issues
- Consider an event booth at the Sea Otter Classic

5. **LEGISLATIVE UPDATE**

The Committee received an update on state legislative issues, and recommended the Board of Directors adopt positions on proposed legislation.

Christina Watson, Director of Planning, reported many draft bills were introduced by the February deadline. Items of particular interest to this Committee include:

- Assembly Bill (AB) 1773 (Dixon): Vehicles: bicycles on boardwalks
- AB 1778 (Connolly): Vehicles: electric bicycles
- AB 2234 (Boerner): Vehicles: electric bikes
- AB 2290 (Friedman): Class III bikeways: bicycle facilities: Bikeway Quick-Build Project Pilot Program
- AB 2744 (McCarty): Vehicles: pedestrian, bicycle, and vehicle safety

M/S/C Johnson/ Chafey/ unanimous

Committee Member Johnson made a motion, seconded by Committee Member Chafey, to recommend the Board of Directors support AB 2259(Boener): Transportation: bicycle safety handbook.

Committee Member Eric Petersen noted that TAMC should watch SB 960 that would require Caltrans asset management plan for the state highway operation and protection program (SHOPP) to prioritize the implementation of comfortable, convening, and connected facilities for pedestrians, bicyclist, and transit users on all projects in the program.

Mari Lynch member of the public noted that a legislative 2024 research tool at bicyclingmonterey.org.

6. ANNOUNCEMENTS AND/OR COMMENTS

Committee Member DL Johnson announced that he distributed bike maps at three bike shops in Carmel.

Committee Member Marzette Henderson, Monterey Salinas Transit, announced that MST's transit-oriented development (TOD) study along the SURF project corridor will be presented to Salinas City Council on March 19.

Committee Member Eric Petersen asked for the Sand City bike path project to be presented at a future meeting.

Committee Member Victor Tafoya noted that he distributed the bike maps and shared the link on the "Nextdoor" platform.

Committee Member Mike Novo noted that he distributed bike maps and suggested that a flyer with a QR code would be useful.

7. ADJOURNMENT

Chair Wegenstein adjourned the meeting at 7:28 p.m.

Memorandum

To: Bicycle and Pedestrian Facilities Advisory Committee
From: Ariadne Sambrano, Transportation Planner, Marissa Garcia, City of Monterey
Meeting Date: April 3, 2024
Subject: **Monterey Traffic System, Pedestrian, and Bike Update**

RECOMMENDED ACTION:

RECEIVE a presentation on traffic system, pedestrian, and bike projects in the City of Monterey.

SUMMARY:

Marissa Garcia, a Public Works Engineer for the City of Monterey, will present updates on the citywide traffic system, pedestrian, and bike projects. The presentation will cover the current status and future plans for the City of Monterey's adaptive traffic signal system, which is now active on six of the city's seven arterial corridors and will eventually encompass 51 of the city's 56 intersections. This system adjusts signal timing to help improve the flow of vehicles, highlighting ongoing efforts to enhance traffic efficiency and safety throughout Monterey.

FINANCIAL IMPACT:

None

DISCUSSION:

The City of Monterey is enhancing its traffic signal control with an advanced adaptive traffic signal system aimed at easing traffic flow and reducing congestion. This initiative is especially important for bike and pedestrian committee members as it promises to improve safety and navigation throughout the city for cyclists and walkers alike. The system, which adjusts traffic lights in real time based on current conditions, is already making a difference on six major roads, with plans to expand further. This approach not only speeds up vehicle movement but also ensures safer, more predictable crossings for pedestrians and cyclists. The ultimate goal is to cover 51 of the city's 56 signalized intersections, marking a significant improvement in Monterey's commitment to a more efficient and inclusive urban transport network. This project stands as a pivotal step towards enhancing the city's infrastructure to support a vibrant, active community where walking and biking are safer and more enjoyable. The presentation is **attached**.

ATTACHMENTS:

1. City of Monterey -B&P T Signal Presentation

WEB ATTACHMENTS:



Traffic System, Pedestrian, Bike Upgrades Citywide

City of Monterey

Marissa Garcia



Quick Monterey Facts



56
Traffic
Signals

Where did we go to work in 2017:



City of Monterey Bicycle Facilities



5.8 miles of Class I Facilities, Bike Path

15.9 miles of Class II Facilities, Bike Lanes



1.4 miles of Class III Facilities, Bike Route

1.1 miles of Class IV Facilities, Protected Bike Lanes



Established 1770

More than
222
Lane Miles

Who uses our roadways?



Photo: J.J. O'Neil/Kyle Wilson/Stock Photo Bank



The Monterey Peninsula
Recreational Trail
is so popular,
200+ bicyclists
used it during the
lunch time hour¹.

Did You Know?

During the 2018 Labor Day Holiday, over 1,400 pedestrians used Recreation Trail Crossing at the Municipal Wharf Parking Lot and Washington Street in one day!



Citywide Traffic Signals

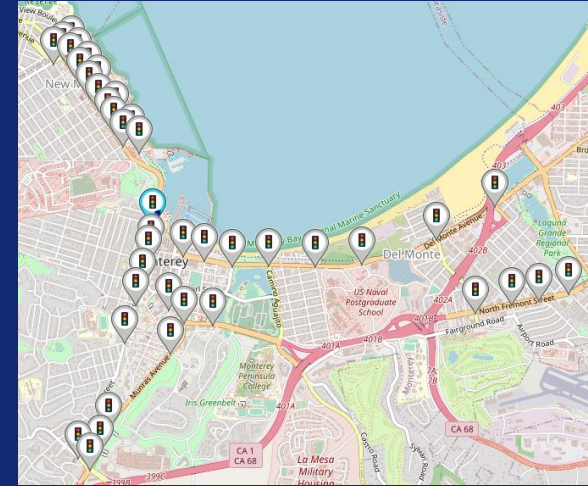


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Traffic
Signals



Adaptive Traffic Signal System

- The City's Adaptive Traffic Signal System is active on 6 of the City's 7 arterial corridors.
 - Completed: Lighthouse, Del Monte, N Fremont, Foam, Munras, Pacific
 - In Progress: Franklin
- 44 intersections on the system currently
- 51 of the 56 intersections will be on the system at the end

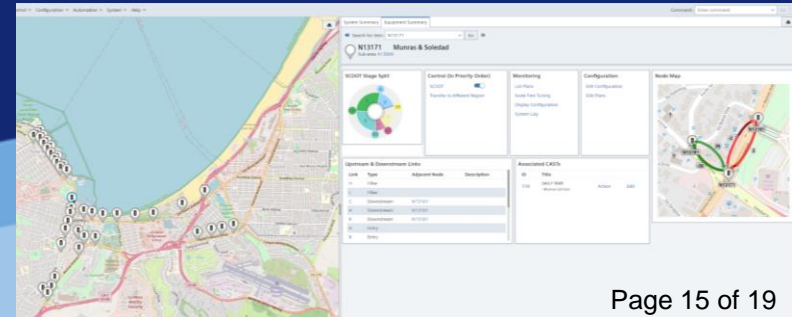


Adaptive Traffic Signal System

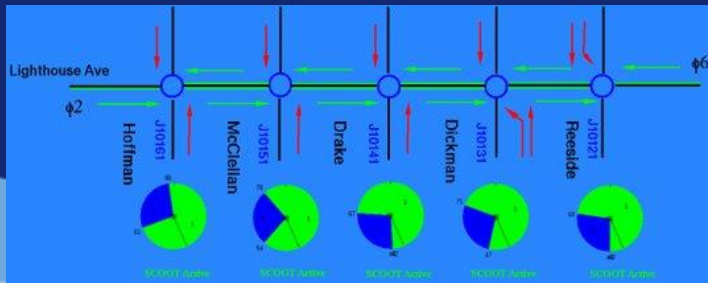
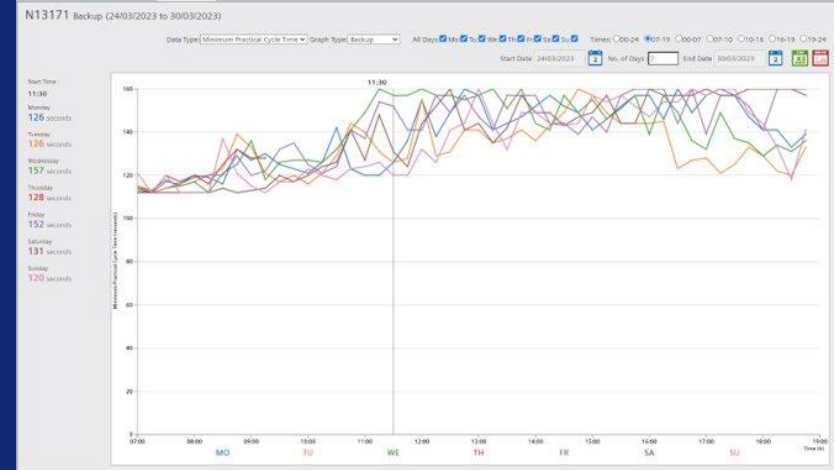
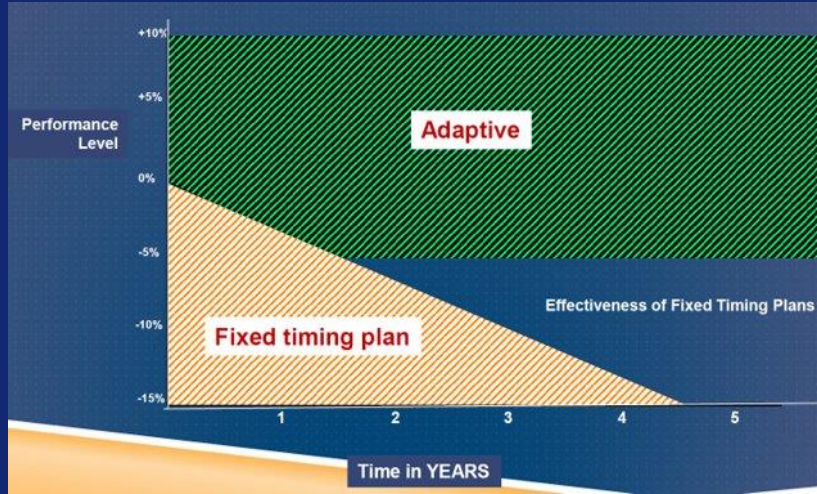
- How does the Adaptive Traffic Signal Work?



- With this information the traffic signal changes the cycle time, splits, and offsets between signals to manage the flow of vehicles as efficiently
- The signal system can change these every 2-3 minutes



Adaptive Traffic Signal System



Questions?



Memorandum

To: Bicycle and Pedestrian Facilities Advisory Committee
From: Amelia Conlen, Senior Transportation Planner
Meeting Date: April 3, 2024
Subject: **FORTAG Laguna Grande Connectivity Project**

RECOMMENDED ACTION:

PROVIDE FEEDBACK on focused engagement strategies for the Laguna Grande segment of the Fort Ord Regional Trail and Greenway (FORTAG) project.

SUMMARY:

Transportation Agency staff are preparing an application for funding through Cycle 7 of the Active Transportation Program (ATP) for the Laguna Grande segment of the Fort Ord Regional Trail and Greenway (FORTAG). TAMC staff seeks insight from Bike and Pedestrian Committee members on developing targeted engagement strategies for disadvantaged communities, aiming to uplift and prioritize their voices in the project's development.

FINANCIAL IMPACT:

The 2025 Active Transportation Program will provide four years of funding in fiscal years 2025-26, 2026-27, 2027-28, and 2028-29, totaling an estimated \$568.7 million. In 2019, the cost estimate for the Laguna Grande segment with the North Fremont Gap Closure project was \$5.4 million. Staff is updating this cost estimate for the grant application.

DISCUSSION:

Agency staff will be engaging with Seaside communities within Census Tracts 140 and 157, aiming to understand their specific needs, challenges, and preferences for the FORTAG Laguna Grande project. This engagement is critical, especially in the context of the Active Transportation Program (ATP) grant, which prioritizes projects that directly benefit disadvantaged communities.

The ATP grant program has grown increasingly competitive, and a crucial aspect of an application is to demonstrate how the project will significantly impact these communities by amplifying their voices and addressing their unique needs. Staff is brainstorming to develop effective outreach strategies that can be included in the ATP grant application. One of the essential criteria for the ATP grant is to demonstrate that the project area serves a disadvantaged community. Data analysis of income levels in the Seaside community has identified that Census Tracts 140 and 157 (see **web attachment**) have median household incomes below the \$73,524 threshold, classifying them as disadvantaged communities.

Given this context, TAMC is reaching out to the Bicycle and Pedestrian Facilities Advisory Committee for suggestions on how to effectively connect with and gather feedback from the residents of these areas. The objective is not only to enhance bike and pedestrian infrastructure, but also to ensure that the project proposals are inclusive, addressing the unique concerns of these communities and

enhancing their quality of life. Such targeted engagement is vital for an ATP grant application's success, ensuring it meets the requirements and showcases a strong commitment to supporting disadvantaged communities through meaningful, impactful projects.

Agency staff will provide an overview of proposed outreach and engagement strategies at the meeting and seek feedback from committee members.

ATTACHMENTS:

None

WEB ATTACHMENTS:

[Map of Seaside Census Tracts](#)