

MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE BIKEWAY AND WALKABILITY COMMITTEE

02-06-19

These meeting minutes represent an "action minute" format. The Bikeway and Walkability Committee (BWC) of the City of Costa Mesa, California met in a regular session at 6:30 p.m. on Wednesday, February 6, 2019.

1. CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order by Chair Cynthia McDonald, at 6:33 p.m. at City Hall's Conference Room 1A at 77 Fair Drive, Costa Mesa, California.

2. ROLL CALL AND INTRODUCTIONS

Committee Members Present:	Chair Cynthia McDonald Vice-Chair Ralph Taboada Member Alan Engard Member Michelle Fay Member Robert Graham Member Michael Habitz Member Richard Huffman II Member James Kane Member Flo Martin Member Michael Nolf Member Kari Nieblas Vozenilek Member Scott Porterfield Member Nathan Torres
Committee Members Absent:	Member Dan Leibson Member Andrew Levins
Chamber of Commerce Liaison:	Brent Stoll, Chamber of Commerce
Newport-Mesa Unified School District Liaison:	Dr. Kirk Bauermeister
City Council Liaison:	Arlis Reynolds, Council Member Katrina Foley, Mayor Elect (not present) Andrea Marr, Council Member (not present)
Staff Present:	Raja Sethuraman, Public Services Director Jennifer Rosales, Transportation Services Manager Elizabeth Palacio, Engineering Technician III

3. PUBLIC COMMENTS

1. Mark Cernicki, resident, commented on proposed bicycle facilities on East 22nd Street and spoke about an upcoming bike rodeo at Kaiser Elementary School with the support of The Cyclist, a local bike shop.
2. Richard Tang, an eastside Costa Mesa resident, spoke against mobility share programs. He expressed concerns regarding safety and the lack of control of the devices.

4. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Vice-Chair Ralph Taboada moved to approve the December 5, 2018 meeting minutes. Member Brent Stoll seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

5. OLD BUSINESS

a. Mobility Share Update

Chamber of Commerce Liaison Brent Stoll continued to meet with stakeholders. The Mobility Share Subcommittee will likely recommend a dockless mobility share program. Brent discussed potential options of a pilot program. The subcommittee suggested a one-year pilot program to provide an opportunity to evaluate it during annual events. Jennifer Rosales, Transportation Services Manager, provided information from other cities with pilot programs including the City of San Diego, City of Santa Ana, and City of Santa Monica. She shared some of the challenges these cities are having with mobility share programs in their communities. The committee members will be evaluating the pros and cons of a potential program and options before recommending a pilot program.

Public Comment:

1. Richard Tang, resident, commented that geo-fencing is more effective in cities with citywide Wi-Fi. He commented that mobility share units are not solar powered and consume power.

b. Implementation of Award Levels and Achievements – HEAL Cities/Resolution

Chair Cynthia McDonald discussed the HEAL Resolution and asked committee members to review the sample resolution. Committee members will discuss this item in April 2019.

c. Commercial Bicycle Rack Program

Jennifer Rosales, Transportation Services Manager, shared feedback received from the City Attorney's office.

6. NEW BUSINESS

a. Bikeways and Walkability Committee Annual Report to City Council

The Bikeways and Walkability Committee Annual Report to City Council on February 19, 2019 was shared and discussed.

b. Subcommittees Report

1. Public Outreach
 - a) Chair Cynthia McDonald spoke about Orange Coast College's upcoming Green Coast Day on April 17, 2019. Cynthia requested volunteers to be present at the Bikeway and Walkability Committee booth.
2. Government Regulatory / Grants
 - a) Jennifer Rosales, Transportation Services Manager, discussed Active Transportation Program grant applications and the Merrimac Way project received a high score.
3. Safe Routes and Accessibility
 - a) No update
4. Economic Growth

- a) No update
- 5. Presentation
 - a) Chair Cynthia McDonald and Vice-Chair Ralph Taboada are working on the Committee's Annual Report presentation to City Council.
- 6. Mobility Share
 - a) Update discussed in Old Business Item 5a.

c. Items for Next Agenda

- 1. Mobility Share Update
- 2. Pedestrian Focus/Walk Audits
- 3. Walk to School Surveys

7. SPOTLIGHT ON ACTIVE TRANSPORTATION

None

8. COMMITTEE MEMBER COMMENTS

- 1. Member Michael Nolf thanked staff for the recently installed 3-way stop at the intersection of Hamilton Street and Meyer Place. Michael shared a photo of a cargo e-bike.
- 2. Member James Kane shared information on an upcoming webinar, "Safer Streets" on February 13, 2019 at 11:00 a.m. at americawalks.org, which the link is posted on the Committee webpage.

9. CITY COUNCIL LIAISON COMMENTS

Council Member Arlis Reynolds shared pedestrian goals with the committee and encouraged the committee to move forward with walk audits.

10. STAFF COMMENTS

Jennifer Rosales, Transportation Services Manager, contacted the Orange County Fairgrounds to stop placing signs on the Arlington Drive multi-purpose trail. Jennifer updated the committee on the City's efforts to remove the illegally installed vinyl fence on the west side of Fairview Road at Dartmouth Place. Jennifer provided an update on the recent Merrimac Way Sidewalk and Bicycle Facility Project Neighborhood meeting held on January 31, 2019.

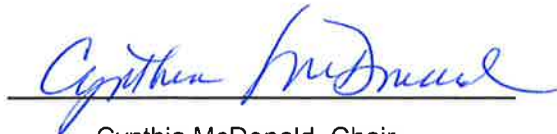
11. NEXT REGULAR MEETING

Next regular meeting is March 6, 2019 at 6:30 p.m. at Costa Mesa City Hall – Conference Room 1A.

12. ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned at 9:10 p.m.

Submitted by:



Cynthia McDonald, Chair