



MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE ACTIVE TRANSPORTATION COMMITTEE

October 5, 2022

These meeting minutes represent an “action minute” format. The Active Transportation Committee of the City of Costa Mesa, California met in a regular session at 4:00 p.m. on Wednesday, October 5, 2022.

1. CALL TO ORDER

Chair Ralph Taboada called the meeting to order at 4:02 p.m. via a City-organized virtual Zoom webinar.

2. ROLL CALL AND INTRODUCTIONS

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| Committee Members Present: | Chair Ralph Taboada Vice Chair Bridget Gleason Member Andrew Barnes Member Bryan Estrada Member Richard Huffman II Member Flo Martin Member David Martinez Member Jennifer Vavra Member Jimmy Vivar Member Trace Yulie |
| Committee Members Absent: | Member Emily Webb |
| Alternate Committee Members: | Benjamin Lechler (absent) Robert Morse |
| City Council Liaison(s) Present: | Council Member Arlis Reynolds |
| Newport-Mesa Unified School District Liaison/Representative: | Vacant |
| Chamber of Commerce Liaison: | Not present |
| Staff Present: | Raja Sethuraman, Public Works Director Jennifer Rosales, Transportation Services Manager Brett Atencio Thomas, Active Transportation Coordinator |

3. PUBLIC COMMENTS

- a. None.

4. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

- a. Regular Meeting on September 7, 2022
 - 1. Andrew Barnes moved to approve the September minutes. Motion seconded by Bridget Gleason.
 - 2. Discussion ensued. Chair Taboada suggested minor edits to minutes, which Committee members agreed. Chair Taboada called for the vote.
 - 3. Motion passed unanimously.

5. OLD BUSINESS

- a. Active Transportation Projects – Oral Staff Update
 - 1. Transportation Services Manager Jennifer Rosales provided an update on the West 19th Street Improvement Project, Placentia Avenue Improvement Projects, Pedestrian Master Plan, and Adams Avenue Active Transportation Projects.
 - 2. An update on the Fairview Road Active Transportation Improvements Project was provided by Active Transportation Coordinator Brett Atencio Thomas.
 - 3. Discussion ensued with comments from Member Barnes, Member Martinez, Member Estrada, Member Yulie, Council Member Reynolds, Member Huffman, and Member Martin.
- b. Walk to School Update
 - 1. Active Transportation Coordinator Brett Atencio Thomas provided a presentation summarizing the October 5 Walk to School events with photos, schools participation, and recognition of committee members participating.
 - 2. Discussion ensued with updates from Committee members who participated in the events.

6. NEW BUSINESS

- a. None.

7. SUBCOMMITTEE REPORTS (2 MINUTES EACH)

- a. Government Regulatory/Grants
 - 1. Mr. Martinez provided comments on recent bills signed by State Governor related to bicycles including bicycle licensing. Mr. Martinez commented on bicycle parking requirements.
 - 2. Discussion ensued with Member Barnes, Member Martinez, Chair Taboada, and Member Vivar making comments.

- b. Pedestrian Master Plan Implementation
 - 1. Member Martinez commented on Pedestrian Master Plan going to Planning Commission and desire to have Safe Routes to School maps on NMUSD school websites.
- c. Active Transportation Plan Implementation
 - 1. Subcommittee is developing recommendations on bicycle wayfinding signage locations.
 - 2. Staff indicated that the Subcommittee's data and format presented at the September 7th meeting was helpful.

8. COMMITTEE MEMBER COMMENTS (3 MINUTES EACH)

- a. Member Barnes commented on bikemaps.org and its various functions.
- b. Member Martinez announced CicLAvia Heart of LA and Orange County Museum of Art (OCMA) opening.
- c. Member Vavra thanked the team for the progress.
- d. Member Vivar commented on public right-of-way improvement process at municipal level and patience. Mr. Vivar commented on bike parking strategies, level of service (LOS) and vehicle miles travelled (VMT) analysis, and future transit in Orange County.
- e. Member Yulie commented on the development process and being patient.
- f. Chair Taboada thanked staff and Committee members. Mr. Taboada commented on the Royal Palm pilot project and associated improvements.

9. CITY COUNCIL LIAISON COMMENTS (3 MINUTES EACH)

Council Member Reynolds thanked committee members for their work and commented on rising public interest in walking/biking to school. Council Member Reynolds discussed e-bike safety ideas and responsibility of motorists.

10. STAFF COMMENTS

- a. Public Works Director Raja Sethuraman commented on the pilot project process and traffic calming treatments such as measures implemented on Royal Palm Drive. Mr. Sethuraman announced the permit received from Caltrans for a new crosswalk at Industrial Way and Newport Boulevard on the west leg.
- b. Transportation Services Manager Jennifer Rosales announced the Merrimac Way Active Transportation Improvements Project receiving the Southern California Section of the American Society of Transportation Engineers (ASCE) award for Outstanding Transportation Project. Ms. Rosales also announced the Institute of

Transportation Engineers (ITE) Western District awarded Merrimac Way for Best Planning Project of the year.

- c. Active Transportation Coordinator Brett Atencio Thomas thanked Committee members for their commitment to bicycle and pedestrian transportation in Costa Mesa, and for the lively discussion. Mr. Thomas commented on a new purchase order of 80 bicycle racks and requested committee members to continue suggesting locations. Mr. Thomas commended on the City's participation in regional E-bike meetings with Orange County Transportation Authority (OCTA).

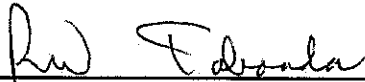
11. NEXT MEETING

The next regular committee meeting is December 7, 2022.

12. ADJOURNMENT

The meeting adjourned at 6:06 p.m.

Submitted by:



Ralph Taboada, Chair