# MINUTES OF A SPECIAL MEETING OF THE ACTIVE TRANSPORTATION COMMITTEE

# September 5, 2024

These meeting minutes represent an "action minute" format. The Active Transportation Committee met in a Special Meeting at 5:00 p.m. on Thursday, September 5, 2024, in the Community Room at Costa Mesa City Hall.

## 1. CALL TO ORDER

Chair Barnes called the meeting to order at 5:00 PM.

#### 2. ROLL CALL

Committee Members Present:

Chair Andrew Barnes

Vice Chair Michael Moses Nolf

Member Alex Campoli Member Jose Gomez Member Farhad Khosravi

Member Flo Martin Member Robert Morse Member Trace Yulie

Member Michaela Teissere (arrived at 5:30 p.m.)

Committee Members Not Present: None

City Council Liaison:

Not present

Newport-Mesa Unified School

District Liaison/Representative:

Not present

Staff Present:

Raja Sethuraman, Public Works Director

Seung Yang, City Engineer

Brett Atencio Thomas, Active Transportation Coordinator

Ramin Nikoui, Senior Engineer

# 3. PUBLIC COMMENTS

a. Community member David Martinez announced the Costa Mesa Alliance for Better Street (CMABS) happy hour at Green Cheek. Mr. Martinez spoke favorably about Placentia Avenue and Center Street crosswalk, the implementation of a center line on the Cornerstone Trail, and bollards on Adams Avenue.

# 4. COMMITTEE MEMBER AND LIAISON COMMENTS

- a. Member Morse expressed joy at seeing committee members attend the recent Orange County Public Works (OCPW) meeting.
- b. Member Martin thanked staff for their work.
- c. Member Khosravi announced his attendance at the Southern California Association of Government (SCAG) Transit in California meeting. Mr. Khosravi indicated that representation from Orange County was minimal.
- d. Member Nolf announced his attendance at the OCPW meeting and expressed gratitude for City staff representation at the meeting. Mr. Nolf expressed frustration with 3-to-7-year project timeline.
- e. Chair Barnes thanked City staff for representation at the OCPW meeting.
- f. Member Teissere indicated that she is happy to be back at the Active Transportation Committee meeting after a short absence.

#### 5. STAFF COMMENTS

- a. Public Works Director Raja Sethuraman provided an update on a meeting with Newport Mesa Unified School District (NMUSD) and the scheduling of Bicycle Safety Education Program (BSEP) events at Ensign Intermediate School. Mr. Sethuraman provided an update on data collection and analysis of pedestrian crossings at Center Street and Placentia Avenue and the potential of traffic calming and other treatments. Mr. Sethuraman also provided an update on the pilot project to add bollards on 19th Street.
- b. Active Transportation Coordinator Brett Atencio Thomas thanked the Committee for their work and announced the City Council approval of the Municipal Code updates pertaining to bicycles. Mr. Thomas indicated that there would be upcoming safety videos to highlight the Municipal Code updates along with Placentia Avenue bollards.

## 6. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

- a. August 7, 2024
  - 1. Member Morse moved to approve the August 7 meeting minutes. The motion was seconded by Member Nolf.
  - 2. The motion passed unanimously with 7 yes. Member Yulie abstained.

## 7. OLD BUSINESS

- a. Active Transportation Projects Oral Staff Update
  - Active Transportation Coordinator Thomas provided an update on the Santa Ana Bike Lane Projects.
    - i. Mr. Thomas announced the completion of the Santa Ana Avenue Class II bike lane gap closure project between 22nd Street and East 21st Street, and associated data collection and monitoring.
    - ii. Mr. Thomas announced the construction of a Class II-b bicycle facility on Santa Ana Avenue between East 17th Street and Ogle Street, anticipated to begin the week of September 23.

- 2. Mr. Thomas introduced Senior Engineer Ramin Nikoui, who provided an update on the Adams Avenue and Pinecreek Drive Intersection Improvements project.
- 3. Mr. Thomas announced the start of construction of the Bicycle Wayfinding Signage project.
- 4. Mr. Thomas provided an update on the Circuit On Demand Transit project.
  - i. Mr. Thomas provided information on the tentative launch date, service name concepts, marketing, and vehicle type and design.

# 8. NEW BUSINESS

- a. OCPW Costa Mesa Islands Active Transportation Improvements
  - Mr. Thomas provided an update on a proposed OCPW works project to add a Class II bike lane northbound and a Class II-b bike lane south bound on Santa Ana Avenue between Bristol Street and Mesa Drive in an unincorporated Costa Mesa Island.
  - 2. Mr. Thomas provided a short synopsis of a community outreach meeting detailing the project.
- b. Right of Way vacations
- 1. Mr. Thomas introduced City Engineer Seung Yang, who provided a presentation on proposed right of way vacations at 174 East 19<sup>th</sup> Street and 2277 Harbor Boulevard (Alley 19F).
- 2. The committee voted unanimously to recommend the right of way vacations.
- 9. NEXT MEETING Wednesday, October 2, 2024, at 5:00PM

### 10. ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned at 6:19 p.m.

Submitted by:

ANDREW BARNES, CHAIR ACTIVE TRANSPORTATION COMMITTEE