

## **Oakland Bicycle and Pedestrian Advisory Committee, Monthly Meeting**

### **MEETING MINUTES**

*Thursday, April 17, 2014*

Attendees: Ann Killebrew, Brian Toy, Carol Levine, Chris Hwang, Chris Kidd, Jason Patton, Jennifer Stanley, Kenya Wheeler, Midori Tabata, Robert Prinz, Ryan Chan, Tom Willging, Ryan Price, Rick daSilva, Mike Ford, Iris Starr, Bob Fearman, Odie Dancer

BPAC Chair Hwang called the meeting to order at 5:39 PM.

#### **Approval of Meeting Minutes**

The meeting minutes were moved by consensus.

#### **City-owned Garages Contract (Mike Ford, Oakland Transportation Services; Rick daSilva, Contractor)**

The City has a new contract for operating its eight parking garages and eight lots. The new contract will be operated by a joint venture of three companies—two local firms and a national operator. City Council provided direction to improve safety and security, conduct outreach, and take bicycle parking into consideration. The goal is to view the garages and lots as assets for the entire community, including residents, merchants, and cyclists. Staff and the contractor requested input from the BPAC about bicycle parking.

The presenters noted they are looking into providing night/weekend card access for cyclists when the facilities are closed in order to encourage business activity and patronage.

Comments from the committee:

- APBP has a best-practices guide for bicycle parking.
- Noted the distinction between long-term and short-term bicycle parking
- Carry out site visits to assess demand.
- Consider safety for cyclists and pedestrians entering and exiting the garage
- Locate bike parking near the entrance and in view of the attendant,
- Make the garage welcoming via signage and art.
- Use BikeLink as a mechanism to control access.
- Contact Bay Area Bike Share for co-location opportunities.
- Open the garages for major evening/weekend events in order to reduce congestion.

Jason Patton noted that Oakland Bike Program staff can provide expertise on types of bike parking, as well as capital assistance. He recommended using the minimum bike parking standards for new development as a guideline for retrofitting these activities.

#### **BPAC applicants review and recommendation (BPAC Staff)**

The Mayor's Office received 29 applications, which were delivered to the BPAC. Staff facilitated the voting process. Staff and committee members noted the importance of maintaining the open nature

and culture of BPAC meetings. Robert Prinz presented a motion to forward the top nine vote-getters to both the Mayor's Office, seconded by Carol Levine. Midori Tabata presented an amendment to also forward the list to Rebecca Kaplan of the Public Works Committee. The BPAC unanimously approved the amended motion. Staff will present the names to the Mayor's office on Friday, April 18.

The top nine vote-getters, alphabetically:

Ryan Chan, Tony Dang, Chris Hwang, Chris Kidd, Carol Levine, Robert Prinz, Midori Tabata, Kenya Wheeler, and Tom Willging.

### **Active Transportation Grant Application (Iris Starr, City Staff)**

The Active Transportation program is composed out of numerous pre-existing programs. \$180 million is available statewide; Oakland will apply for \$10-\$20 million. MTC will also provide about \$30 million for the Bay Area. A BPAC member noted that Caltrans will put out a call in November to distribute funding. Staff plan to present again at the May BPAC meeting with the projects that will be in the application.

The committee emphasized the importance of the Coliseum projects to help pedestrians safely navigate across the rail tracks. A member noted that ACTC has developed Safe Routes to School improvement plans. BPAC encouraged the City to look into applying for program funding, for events such as Oaklavia, Sunday Streets, etc. Regarding the East Bay Greenway, ACTC will be applying for funds.

### **Go Gold Campaign (Jason Patton, BPAC Staff)**

The Oakland BFP has enlisted other City departments as well as advocacy organizations to work on the application. They need help on the off-road cycling section. Jason Patton requested assistance and comments from BPAC on the application.

Ideas proposed included:

- Include a vision to get past Gold
- Provide specific information about strategic planning efforts that support bicycling
- Have organizations sign on in support of the platform.
- Mention improved transit access as a success.

Staff will present a draft application at the June meeting. Vice Chair Kidd proposed passing a resolution in support of the application. BPAC members were encouraged to contact Jason Patton individually with any assistance.

### **Announcements**

Bike to Work Day is May 8. WOBO has arranged Pedal Pools and is looking for ride leaders. The upcoming council meeting will be the second reading for the Oakland anti-endangerment ordinance. City community meetings for Telegraph Ave are coming up. Oakland installed a bike lane on lower Piedmont Ave, and is installing on lower Alcatraz. The Bay Area of APPB is having its first meeting coming up.

The meeting was adjourned at 7:33 PM.

# Active Transportation Program

Summary: Pools federal and state money for "Active Transportation"...meaning bike & ped related projects. Replaces stand alone pots for:

- State Safe Routes to Schools
- Fed Safe Routes to Schools
- Bicycle Transportation Account
- Recreational Trails Program

Timeline:

- March 21<sup>st</sup> call for projects for statewide.
- May 21<sup>st</sup> ~~temporary~~ due date
- MTC call will follow after state funding decisions are made (summer/fall 2014).
- All project decisions (state and regional) made by 12/14.

Funding: (three year call)

- Statewide ~\$180 million
- MTC ~ \$30 million
- Safe Routes to Schools – in INITIAL round only, \$24 million must be for Safe Routes to School-type Projects.
- Disadvantaged Communities (most of Oakland qualifies) to get 25% of statewide, similar regionally. Any of Three methods to qualify:
  - If census tracts has median hh income of less than 49,120 (see American Community Survey)
  - If in worst 10% of CalEnviroScreen (West Oakland, Chinatown, Fruitvale, East Oakland)
  - If 75% of school students qualify for free lunch
- \$250K minimum grant size, no max.
- 12% local match required

Project Types (examples):

- Bikeways & walkways
- Traffic control devices (for safety for walkers and bikers)
- Safe Routes to School projects
- Safe Routes to Transit projects
- Bicycle parking
- Bicycle sharing programs
- Recreational trails and park projects that have trail linkages (must meet federal RTP requirements)
- Educational programs related to biking and walking (PILOT projects only)
- Development of bike, ped, and active transportation plans

# Active Transportation Program

## Schedule:

|                          |   |
|--------------------------|---|
| March 21 <sup>st</sup> - | Call for Projects   |
| March 26 <sup>th</sup> - | Review meeting  |
| April 15                 | Final Short list of projects                              |
| Late April               | Review with Dept Heads/City Administrator/Council members |
| April/May                | Prepare applications                                      |
| May 7 <sup>th</sup>      | Draft applications due to TPDF (att. Bruce Williams)      |
| May 16 <sup>th</sup>     | Finalized   |
| May 21 <sup>st</sup>     | Due IN SACRAMENTO (not postmarked)                        |

## Notes on scoring:

- 1. Potential for increased biking and walking – 30 points**  
Good mapping and identification of routes important  
Describing and quantifying how walking/biking improved very helpful
- 2. Potential for Reducing fatalities/injuries – 25 points**  
Must use data as a base to make case (collision data or other observations).
- 3. Public Participation – 15 points**  
Areas with planning processes will score high, if no recent planning process make sure project can be justified
- 4. Cost Effectiveness – 10 points**  
Asks for quantifiable data according to specific methodology. Review!
- 5. Improved Public Health – 10 points**  
Should be easy to score well based on description of population served and reference to CalEnviroScreen
- 6. Disadvantaged Communities – 10 points**  
Most of Oakland flatland neighborhoods will meet this screen by one of three ways
  1. 80% of statewide median hh income in census tract (\$49,120 or less)
  2. Worst 10% CalEnviroScreen
  3. 75% schoolchildren eligible for free lunch

Regional Competitive ATP Guidelines Highlights

Proposed Regional Competitive ATP Guidelines

MTC will follow the State Competitive ATP Guidelines, with four main changes from the Statewide ATP Guidelines noted below:

1. Add additional evaluation criteria for previously adopted regional priorities, such as bike share expansion, Bay Trail and Regional Bike Network build-out, gap closures in the Regional Bike Network, and multi-jurisdictional projects.
2. Use MTC's Communities of Concern definition to meet the 25% requirement for projects benefiting "Disadvantaged Communities," rather than other measures prescribed by CTC (such as Cal-Enviro-Screen and percent of subsidized school lunches).
3. Waive local match for construction if pre-construction phases are funded entirely with non-federal and non-ATP funds. Other match and minimum project size requirements remain the same as the Statewide Competitive ATP.
4. Contingency Backup List. MTC will also adopt a list of contingency projects, ranked in priority order based on the project's evaluation score. MTC intends to fund projects on the contingency list should there be any project failures or savings in the Cycle 1 Regional Competitive ATP. This will ensure that the Regional Competitive ATP will fully use all ATP funds, and that no ATP funds are lost to the region.

In addition to the above changes, all projects in the Regional Competitive ATP will be subject to regional policies, including Resolution 3606 deadlines, and must submit a resolution of local support.

Other Information

*Funding Amount:*

The funding amounts for the Statewide and Regional Competitive ATP are below.

| <u>Program</u>        | <u>Programming Agency</u> | <u>Amount Available this Cycle</u> |
|-----------------------|---------------------------|------------------------------------|
| Statewide Competitive | CTC, Caltrans             | \$180 million                      |
| Regional Competitive  | MTC                       | \$ 30 million                      |

*Regional Schedule:*

The current estimated schedule for the Regional Competitive ATP is below.

| <u>Date</u>     | <u>Action</u>   |
|-----------------|---|
| April 9/23      | PAC and MTC Commission consideration of Regional ATP Guidelines |
| May 21          | CTC consideration of MTC's Regional ATP Guidelines              |
| May 22          | MTC releases Regional ATP Call for Projects                     |
| July 24         | Regional ATP applications due to MTC                            |
| September 10/24 | PAC and MTC Commission scheduled adoption of Regional ATP       |
| December 10     | Latest date for CTC approval of MTC's Regional ATP              |

**Preliminary List - Active Transportation Grant Possibilities  
Project Packages**

April 17, 2014

| <b>1. International Boulevard - Supplement to BRT</b> |           |   | <b>Notes</b> |
|---|-----------|---|--------------|
| 1   |           | Broadway/20 <sup>th</sup> Street design and implementation  |              |
| 2   |           | AC Transit/BRT Uptown Transfer station streetscape improvements   |              |
| 3   |           | International Blvd NB /35th Ave WB turn Improvements – Improve traffic movements and increase pedestrian safety by removing the WB to NB right turn bypass lane and pork chop island.   |              |
| 4   |           | International Blvd / Hegenberger Expressway - Construct median refuge area for pedestrian x-ing by moving curb lines  |              |
| 5   |           | International Blvd/ 98th Avenue - Construct median refuge area for pedestrian x-ing by moving curb lines  |              |
| 6   |           | San Leandro Street - lighting improvements at un-signalized pedestrian x-ing between 33rd and 55th  |              |
| 7   |           | San Leandro Street / High Street – Traffic Signal Improvements for Pedestrian and vehicle movement safety   |              |
| 8   | SR2S      | International Community School and Think College Now (two schools, same campus). 2825 International Blvd, Oakland, CA 94601   |              |
| 9   | SR2S      | Community United Elementary School and Futures ES (two schools, same campus). 6701 International Blvd, Oakland, CA 94621- District 6  |              |
| 10  | SR2S      | Korematsu Discovery Academy and Esperanza Academy (two schools, same campus). 10315 E St, Oakland, CA 94603 - District 7  |              |
| 11  | SR2S      | RISE Community School and New Highland Academy (two schools, same campus) 1273 86th Street, Oakland, CA - District 7  |              |
| 12  | SR2S      | Community School for Creative Education. 2111 International Blvd, Oakland, CA 94606 - District 5  |              |
| 13  | SR2T      | International Blvd - BRT Corridor wide Street Lighting Study  |              |
| 14  | SR2T      | International Blvd - BRT Corridor Pedestrian Lighting Design & Installation including but not limited to off alignment pedestrian lighting and associated improvements to provide connectivity of transit corridor destination in accordance with City standards. |              |
| 15  | SR2T      | International Blvd - BRT Corridor wide Street Lighting Installation   |              |
| 16  | SR2S/SR2T | International Blvd - Corridor wide Sidewalk Repair  |              |

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| <b>2. Safe Routes to Schools</b> |      |  | <b>Notes</b> |
|----------------------------------|------|--|--------------|
| 1                                | SR2S | Achieve Academy Fruitvale E.16th   |              |
| 2                                | SR2S | Acorn woodland elementary  |              |
| 3                                | SR2S | Bella Vista Elementary Park Blvd.@E.28th, E.34th                                       |              |
| 4                                | SR2S | Edna Brewer Middle School Park Blvd @ E.38th, 13th Ave., Excelsior, El Centro, Everett |              |
| 5                                | SR2S | Encompass Academy - See Acorn  |              |
| 6                                | SR2S | Esperanza Elementary 105th, San Leandro, E Street                                      |              |
| 7                                | SR2S | Fred Korematsu Discovery Academy - See Esparanza                                       |              |
| 8                                | SR2S | Fruitvale Elementary - Coolidge/School/Boston  |              |
| 9                                | SR2S | Glenview Elementary - See Edna Brewer  |              |
| 10                               | SR2S | Hillcrest elementary (?)   |              |
| 11                               | SR2S | International Community Elementary - Int'l/28th, 29th; E.12th/29th                     |              |
| 12                               | SR2S | Laurel Elementary - 35th/Wisconsin, other  |              |
| 13                               | SR2S | Montclair elementary - Thornhill/Mountain, Thornhill Ave                               |              |
| 14                               | SR2S | Parker elementary - Ney Ave.   |              |
| 15                               | SR2S | Sobrante Park elementary - Bergedo Avenue  |              |
| 16                               | SR2S | World Academy Elementary -See Achieve  |              |
| 17                               | SR2S | Sante Fe - Market/52nd+53rd+54th   |              |
| 18                               | SR2S | Globala Fam./Learning w/out Limits - 38th Ave/Mera                                     |              |
| <b>3. Other Projects</b>         |      |  |              |
| 1                                |      | Bay Trail Next Generation Bikeway/Embarcadero  |              |
| 2                                |      | 24 <sup>th</sup> /27 <sup>th</sup> /Harrison/Bay Place Intersection SRTS               |              |
| 3                                | SR2S | Tyrone Carney Park   |              |
| 4                                |      | LAMMPS - walkway along Mills fence (\$ ?) or traffic light at freeway entrance         |              |
| 5                                |      | Coliseum Industrial Areas Improvements   |              |
| 6                                |      | Coliseum BART to Bay Trail Connector   |              |
| 7                                | SR2S | Pedestrian Plan update (incorporate SR2S and ADA priorities)                           |              |
| 8                                |      | Bikeshare preliminary engineering, const. mgmt and marketing                           |              |

## **Bicycle Friendly Community Fall 2014 Application (April 2014)**

**RESOURCES:** <http://www2.oaklandnet.com/OAK029808>

- 2010 application
- League of American Bicyclists comments on 2010 application
- Oakland's response to LAB's comments
- "Go Gold!" campaign adopted by City Council in December 2012

### **SCHEDULE**

|          |  |
|----------|--|
| April 30 | Assign tasks to application partners                   |
| June 9   | Deadline for content to be reviewed by BPAC on June 19 |
| June 19  | BPAC review of draft application                       |
| July 15  | Application due to League of American Bicyclists       |

### **PARTNERS & ASSIGNMENTS**

Oakland – Bicycle Facilities Program

- Lead for compiling the application
- Community profile section
- Engineering section
- Evaluation and planning section
- Final overview section

Oakland – Strategic Planning

- Land use and parking policies (22, 31)

Oakland Police Department

- Enforcement section

Bike East Bay

- Education section
- Work with TransForm on Safe Routes to Schools questions (37)
- Encouragement section (in partnership with Walk Oakland Bike Oakland)

TransForm

- Education – Safe Routes to Schools

Walk Oakland Bike Oakland

- Encouragement section (in partnership with Bike East Bay)

Partner needed for:

- Off-road cycling questions (e.g., 27, 73, 74)

## Application Questions for BPAC Discussion

### COMMUNITY PROFILE

13c. List all advocacy groups that are working with you on this application

15. What was your community's most significant achievement for bicycling in the past 12 months? *(500 word limit)*

16. If you have applied to the BFC program before, describe any improvements that have occurred for cycling in your community since your last application. *(500 word limit)*

17. What specific improvements do you have planned for bicycling in the next 12 months? *(250 word limit)*

### FINAL OVERVIEW

87. What are the three primary reasons your community deserves to be designated a Bicycle Friendly Community?

Reason One (250 word limit)

Reason Two (250 word limit)

Reason Three (250 word limit)

88. What are the three aspects of your community most in need of improvement in order to accommodate bicyclists?

Aspect One (100 word limit)

Aspect Two (100 word limit)

Aspect Three (100 word limit)

89. Has completing this application made you more aware of what your community needs to do to be bicycle friendly?

Yes

No

If yes, describe (250 word limit)

90. Are you planning any new projects based on your completion of the Bicycle Friendly Community application?

Yes

No

If yes, describe (250 word limit)