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AGENDA

The next meeting of the

BICYCLE AND PEDESTRIAN ADVISORY COMMITTEE (BPAC)

will be as follows.

Date: Thursday, September 28, 2006
7:30 p.m. to 9:30 p.m.

Place: San Mateo City Hall
330 West 20th Avenue
San Mateo, California
Conference Room C (across from Council Chambers)

PLEASE CALL TOM MADALENA (599-1460) IF YOU ARE UNABLE TO ATTEND.

1.	Call To Order.	Action (Alfano)		7:30 p.m. (5 mins)
2.	Public Comment On Items Not On The Agenda.	Presentations are limited to 3 mins per speaker.		7:35 p.m. (5 mins)
3.	Minutes of June 22, 2006 Meeting.	Action (Madalena)	Pages 1-3	7:40 p.m. (5 mins)
4.	Countywide Bike Map Update.	Information (Adam Lodge - San Mateo County)	Oral Report	7:45 p.m. (15 mins)
5.	Recommendation of the Transportation Development Act Article 3 Bicycle and Pedestrian Program for FY 2007-08	Action (Hoang)	Pages 4-11	8:00 p.m. (20 mins)
6.	Bicycle and Pedestrian Safety Event in Sonoma County	Information (Madalena)	Pages 12-14	8:20 p.m. (10 mins)
7.	Presentation on the Mirada Surf Coastal Trail Project	Potential Action (Harris - San Mateo County Parks and Recreation)	Pages 15	8:30 p.m. (10 mins)

8.	Member Communications.	Information (Alfano)	8:40 p.m. (5 mins)
9.	Adjournment.	Action (Alfano)	8:45 p.m.

NOTE: All items appearing on the agenda are subject to action by the Committee. Actions recommended by staff are subject to change by the Committee.

Other enclosures/Correspondence

- None.

If you have any questions regarding the C/CAG Bicycle and Pedestrian Advisory Committee Meeting Agenda, please contact Richard Napier at 650-599-1420 or Tom Madalena at 599-1460.

NOTE: Persons with disabilities who require auxiliary aids or services in attending and participating in this meeting should contact Nancy Blair at 650 599-1406, five working days prior to the meeting date.

The following BPAC meeting will be held on Thursday October 26th, 2006.

Bicycle and Pedestrian Advisory Committee (BPAC)
Meeting Minutes
June 22, 2006

1. Call to Order.

Chair Alfano called the Bicycle and Pedestrian Advisory Committee (BPAC) meeting to order at 7:04 p.m. A quorum was achieved.

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Members Attending:
Michael Barnes, Cathy Baylock, Maureen Brooks (Vice Chair), Robert Cronin, Karyl Matsumoto, Matt Grocott, Mike Harding, Marc Hershman, Ken Ibarra, Julie Lancelle, Naomi Patridge, and Mark Meadows.

Staff/Guests Attending:
Richard Napier, Sandy Wong, Walter Martone, Tom Madalena, Al Meckler, Corinne Goodrich, and Vivian Ma.

2. Public Comment On Items Not On The Agenda.

None

3. Minutes of April 27, 2006 meeting.

Motion: Member Hershman moved/member Meadows seconded approval of the April 27, 2006 minutes. Motion carried.

4. Countywide Bike Map Update.

Adam Lodge from San Mateo County Public Works gave a presentation on the update of the countywide bike map. He described the process that he has been working on with Member Brooks to update the foldable bike map. Unlike the old map, the entire County will be included and it will be double sided.

For now we will not be building a web-based version of our map. The Metropolitan Transportation Commission (MTC) is building a Bay Area wide bicycle route map that will be available on the web. San Mateo County will wait to see how the MTC maps turn out before spending more resources and time on building a local San Mateo County web based mapping application.

It was also requested to have laminated maps although the cost of laminated maps will likely be prohibitive. For the new map it was advised that we should make our maps free of charge. There is also the possibility of selling advertising on the maps in order to reduce the cost. At the next stage of development the subcommittee will look at the map and make comments.

Adam Lodge recommended that we focus on a web-based application so that the user could pull and print a portion of the map that they desire.

5. Presentation on the Grand Boulevard (El Camino Real)

Corrine Goodrich from SamTrans gave a presentation on the Grand Boulevard Initiative. It is envisioned that new housing, great transit (Bus Rapid Transit) could revitalize the downtowns of the cities to make the downtowns be destinations. A Grand Blvd. Task Force was formed through SamTrans and Joint Venture Silicon Valley. The presentation gave a sense of the characteristics of other boulevards and the constraints and opportunities that are present along El Camino Real.

Currently El Camino is difficult to cross and difficult to for pedestrian travel. Safety is a concern for both pedestrians and bicyclists along El Camino Real. Aesthetics could be improved such that places along El Camino Real will be places where people want to go.

Partners to date include all cities from San Jose to Daly City, C/CAG, SamTrans, ABAG, MTC, Caltrans, representative from the business and environmental communities, SAMCEDA and State and Federal representatives.

Some members of the committee expressed concern that there may not be room for bicycle lanes along El Camino Real and that alternate routes should be developed since El Camino Real is a constrained right of way. One of the members stated that El Camino Real is almost impossible for bike travel. The preferred way to go would be to look at alternatives for travel parallel to El Camino Real. Member Brooks noted that the Countywide Plan does not include El Camino Real as a preferred bike route in San Mateo County. Perhaps the route could follow the Caltrain track right of way instead of El Camino Real for a north south thoroughfare. Member Matsumoto stated that another concern is the lack of contiguity of the lanes when some cities can't provide bicycle lanes due to the current lane configuration of El Camino Real. One of the main concerns has to do with parking and the fact that generally cars will be parked parallel and there is a safety concern with car doors being opened into the bike lane. Other comments suggested that it should be a continuous route and the lack of contiguity along El Camino Real is a problem.

6. Critique of the Regional Bike/Pedestrian Program (RBPP) project ranking process and the scoring criteria and develop changes to be used in future cycles.

Sandy Wong, C/CAG staff, gave a presentation on the process for the selection of projects for the last round of the Regional Bike/Pedestrian Program funds. For the next cycle of the program we should have about 1.3 million of TDA funds (since last year was skipped) available and staff will come back to the BPAC at the next meeting around August or September. Chair Alfano mentioned that he was pleased with the pre-scoring and that he felt that it was necessary to go out and complete the site visits as part of the process. Additionally, if projects are over a certain dollar amount it would be a good idea to tell the applicants that they should identify if the project could be partially funded to complete phases of projects so that the committee would not have to make arbitrary decisions on dividing up projects.

7. **Review and approval of the process to update the San Mateo County Comprehensive Bicycle Route Plan.**

Tom Madalena, C/CAG staff gave a presentation on the proposed process and timeline for the update of the San Mateo County Comprehensive bicycle Route Plan. The process is to have the plan update completed by C/CAG staff over the next 1½ years and to have the plan update process placed on a once every five years schedule.

A major component of the update is to revise the list of recommended projects. Currently the plan has 15 mid to short-term recommended projects. The goal is to solicit desired and needed projects from the local jurisdictions throughout San Mateo County. Projects submitted will then be taken to the BPAC for review and approval for inclusion in the updated plan.

Motion: Member Grocott moved/Member Barnes seconded approval of the process to update the San Mateo County Comprehensive Bicycle Route Plan as recommended by staff. Motion carried.

8. **Member Communications**

- Member Alfano stated that the small printable pdf maps would work very well.
- Member Matsumoto asked that the next meeting date be put on the agenda.
- Member Hershman commented that the current BPAC is functioning very well and that members listen to each other.
- Member Grocott mentioned that Interstate 280 is a barrier for bicyclists. A teacher was hit while riding, and a letter to the editor was sent by Steve Vanderlip, President of the Peninsula Bicycle Coalition.

9. **Adjournment**

The meeting was adjourned at 9:25 p.m.

C/CAG AGENDA REPORT

Date: September 28, 2006

To: Bicycle and Pedestrian Advisory Committee

From: John Hoang

Subject: Recommendation of the Transportation Development Act Article 3 Bicycle and Pedestrian Program for FY 2007-08

(For further information contact John Hoang at 363-4105)

RECOMMENDATION

That the Bicycle and Pedestrian Advisory Committee accept the FY 2007-08 Transportation Development Act (TDA) Article 3 Program tentative schedule, revised application form and score sheet.

FISCAL IMPACT

The Transportation Development Act (TDA) Article 3 Bicycle and Pedestrian project funding cycle for FY 2007-08 is estimated to be $1,356,381. This total includes the "roll-over" amount of $544,100 in unused funds from the FY 2006-07 cycle.

SOURCE OF FUNDS

TDA Article 3 funds are derived from a portion of the California State sales tax on a percentage of retail sales.

BACKGROUND/DISCUSSION

In preparation for the FY 2007-08 TDA Article 3 Program, a tentative schedule has been developed to outline key program dates for the upcoming cycle. The attached application form and scoring sheet have been updated to be more "user friendly".

At the conclusion of the last funded cycle (FY 2005-06), BPAC members provided recommendations for improving the TDA Article 3 Program process that includes: removal the requirement of a 5-minute video, allowing a jurisdiction to submit an unlimited number of applications, refining the scoring of the "community support" criteria, encouraging more pedestrian related projects, and setting a goal that 1/3 (one-third) of the funds be specifically for pedestrian or substantially pedestrian projects. The "call for project" letter, which will be mailed out on October 16th, 2006, will address these changes and any additional suggestions by the BPAC.

ATTACHMENTS

- Tentative Schedule for the TDA Article 3 2007-08 Program
- C/CAG Bicycle and Pedestrian Advisory Committee TDA Article 3
  - Application Form
  - Score Sheet

Tentative Schedule for FY 2007/08 TDA Article 3 Program

September 28, 2006	BPAC makes recommendation on program guidelines
October 12, 2006	C/CAG Board approve program and call for projects
October 16, 2006	Call for projects
October 31, 2006	Workshop
December 22, 2006	Application deadline
January 29, 2007	Field trip
Feb 22 & Mar 22, 2007	BPAC evaluates and make final recommendation
April 12, 2007	C/CAG Board Approval
May 2007	Submittal to MTC
July 1, 2007	MTC Approval

C/CAG BICYCLE AND PEDESTRIAN ADVISORY COMMMITTEE
TDA ARTICLE 3 FISCAL YEAR 2007-08 PROGRAM
APPLICATION

AGENCY:

FUNDS REQUESTED: $

PROJECT DESCRIPTION / OBJECTIVE:
(What will the project accomplish?)

I. PROJECT SCREENING

a. CALTRANS Standards

Explain how the project meets CALTRANS Standards.

b. CEQA approval? Yes ☐ No ☐

Date of approval

Note: CEQA document must be submitted with the application.

II. STATE OF READINESS

a. Make sure that the project proposal is complete and contains all required documentation. The more complete the application will result in a higher project score.

b. Right-of-Way certification required? Yes ☐ No ☐ N/A ☐

If required, Right-of-way Cert. completed? Yes ☐ No ☐

Comments:

c. Permits/Agreements approved? Yes ☐ No ☐ N/A ☐
List all permits and/or agreements approved/obtained to date:

Document	Date approved/ obtained

Comments:

d. Comment on the status of design of the project, and indicate the percentage of design completed.

III. COMMUNITY SUPPORT

a. Listed as "priority project" in the C/CAG Comprehensive Bicycle Route Plan or a recommended pedestrian plan. Yes ☐ No ☐

Plan:
Page:

b. Local approval by bicycle/pedestrian (BPAC) organization?

Yes ☐ No ☐

c. Other organized groups with demonstrated knowledge of bicycle and pedestrian needs? Yes ☐ No ☐

Comment on level of support. Attach approval documentation and show composition of relevant committee.

d. Funds requested: $

Local match to be provided: $

Local match percentage = Local match provided / Funds requested

= = %

IV. MEETS PROGRAM OBJECTIVES

a. Does the project eliminate or mitigate the effects from an identified problem?
Yes ☐ No ☐

Explain:

b. Bicycle and Pedestrian:

1. Does the project provide access to bicycle facilities in high use activity centers?

Yes ☐ No ☐

2. Does the project provide access to pedestrian facilities in high use activity centers?

Yes ☐ No ☐

Explain:

c. Is commute use improved by the project? Yes ☐ No ☐

Explain:

d. What is the relationship of the project to more significant bicycle or pedestrian routes? Explain:

e. The project is consistent with or included in the following:

1. County or City facilities plan: Yes ☐ No ☐
2. Circulation element of general plan: Yes ☐ No ☐
3. C/CAG Comprehensive Bicycle Route Plan: Yes ☐ No ☐
4. Pedestrian Plan equal to "e.3" above: Yes ☐ No ☐

Plan:

Page:

f. Comment on the level of local support:

Note: A resolution of support from the relevant jurisdiction is to be submitted with the application.

V. SAFETY

How is safety improved because of the project? Explain:

VI. PROJECT CONTACT INFORMATION

Primary Contact Person:

Telephone Number:

Email address:

Secondary Contact Person:

Telephone Number:

Email address:

C/CAG Bicycle and Pedestrian Advisory Committee
TDA Article 3 2005-2006 Score Sheet

AGENCY:	RATER:
PROJECT:	

I. PROJECT SCREENING	
a. Meets applicable CALTRANS standards	Yes ☐ No ☐ (No disqualifies project)
b. CEQA approval	Yes ☐ No ☐ (No disqualifies project)

	Scale	Max Points	Points Assigned
II. STATE OF READINESS*			
a. Clear and complete proposal	0 or 3 (A zero score disqualifies project.)	3	
b. Right-of-Way Certification	0 – No 4 - Yes	4	
c. Permits/Agreements obtained	0 – No 4 - Yes	4	
d. Project design completed	0 – No 4 - Yes	4	
	Subtotal	15	
III. COMMUNITY SUPPORT			
a. Is a "priority project" on the C/CAG adopted Comprehensive bicycle Route Plan or an equal Pedestrian Plan.	0 – None 5 – Local Project 10 – C/CAG Project	10	
b. Local BPAC approval	0 – No Support 3 5 – General Support 7 10 – Strong Support	10	
c. Cost Sharing (Local Match as % of total requested funds)	0 – 0% match 2 – 10% match 4 – 20% match 6 – 30% match 8 – 40% match 10 – 50% match	10	

	Subtotal	30	
IV. MEETS PROGRAM OBJECTIVES			
a. Eliminates or mitigates an identified problem area on a route that would otherwise provide relatively safe and direct bicycle or pedestrian travel.	0 to 10	10	
b. Bicycle and Pedestrian 1. Does the project provide access to or bicycle parking in high use activity centers? (Bicycle only) OR 2. Does the project provide access to recognized pedestrian facilities in high use activity centers? (Pedestrian only)	0 – No 5 - Yes	5	
c. Does the project provide for the improvement of bicycle or pedestrian commute use?	0 to 5	5	
d. Does the project provide connection to and continuity of more significant routes?	0 to 5	5	
e. Is the project included in a County or city facilities plan or circulation element of a general plan? OR Is it consistent with the C/CAG Comprehensive Bicycle Route Plan or an equal Pedestrian Plan?	0 to 5	5	
f. Is there demonstrated local support? (Resolution from the relevant jurisdiction required.)	0 – None 2 – Little 3 – Moderate 5 - Strong	5	
	Subtotal	35	
V. SAFETY			
Improves Safety	0 – None 5 – Little 10 – Moderate 15 – Substantial 20 - Significant	20	

TOTAL SCORE	100	

C/CAG AGENDA REPORT

Date: September 28, 2006

To: Bicycle and Pedestrian Advisory Committee

From: Tom Madalena

Subject: BICYCLE AND PEDESTRIAN SAFETY EVENT IN SONOMA COUNTY

(For further information contact Tom Madalena at 599-1460)

RECOMMENDATION

This item is being presented for information only. Please provide staff with direction to staff if you would like further information or follow-up.

FISCAL IMPACT

Not applicable.

SOURCE OF FUNDS

Not applicable

BACKGROUND/DISCUSSION

C/CAG and its various committees have expressed concern on a number of occasions about promoting bicycle and pedestrian safety. Attached is some information that was brought to the attention of staff by MTC Commissioner Sue Lempert and MTC Elderly and Disabled Advisory Committee member Marshall Loring about an event being held in Sonoma County to promote bicycle and pedestrian safety.

ATTACHMENTS

- Press Democrat article
- Flyer for "Take Back the Streets" rally

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SR demonstration aims to make streets safer

Rally, march to educate about 'oblivious' drivers; seniors, disabled, children most at risk

By MARY CALLAHAN
THE PRESS DEMOCRAT

Les Parker had just recovered from two fractured ribs when a driver struck him in a Santa Rosa Avenue crosswalk last year and tossed him onto the hood of her car, breaking his bones all over again.

Parker, 65, said he thought he'd looked right in her eyes moments before she turned into the crosswalk, but the first thing she said upon exiting her vehicle was "Where did you come from?" he said.

"People are just oblivious," Parker said Wednesday as he crossed Mendocino Avenue, its four lanes jampacked with bumper-to-bumper traffic and a throng of Santa Rosa Junior College students sometimes dodging and weaving to make their way safely across. "I'm saying this as a pedestrian and a bicyclist."

Hoping to sound the alarm that finally wakes up drivers, advocates for seniors, the disabled and anyone who travels by foot or bicycle are organizing a march and rally intended to raise awareness in a county dominated by vehicles.

Dubbed "Take Back the Streets," the downtown Santa Rosa event is scheduled for Oct. 3, a one-day demonstration that organizers hope will be part of a larger movement toward pedestrian and bicycle safety.

"There's just a real feeling that we have a crisis in some ways - that we have drivers out there who are not respecting pedestrians and bicyclists - and what we can do to reduce the number of deaths of pedestrians and bicyclists," said Shirlee Zane, chief executive officer for the Council on Aging and chief architect of the event.

Allan Brenner, chief executive of the Earle Baum Center of the Blind, one of many event co-sponsors, calls it the demise of common courtesy and said it's just plain dangerous out there.

He's already lost two canes to inattentive drivers who've run them over as he's entered crosswalks.

"It's scary," Brenner said. "You know that one of those days one of those cars is going to bump into you or hit you."

Those most at risk are also society's most vulnerable: the aged, the disabled and children, organizers said.

In March, a blind and disabled Santa Rosa man named Ken Rossi was nearly killed when he was struck in his wheelchair on Montgomery Avenue. Last year, three were killed in pedestrian accidents and others hurt.

But Zane said the final blow for her was learning last month of a man who was sideswiped in his wheelchair by a hit-and-run driver. Jason Brownlie, 36, died in his sleep that night - not because of the crosswalk incident, but still agitated and angry, a happy man who died unhappy.

In part to remember him, The Council on Aging, the city of Santa Rosa and the Sonoma County Bicycle Coalition are planning a march from Old Courthouse Square to Juilliard Park, where they'll hold a rally and offer educational materials about making the streets safer.

At least 16 organizations that serve the needy, the disabled and seniors have signed on to co-sponsor.

"It's not about pointing the finger," Zane said. "We are the problem. It's every single one of us, and we need to look at how we drive, what we do when we come across a bicyclist or a pedestrian, and what our priorities are."

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COUNCIL ON AGING
SERVICES FOR SENIORS

"Take Back the Streets"

March & Rally

WHEN: Tuesday, October 3, 2006, 1:00 pm
WHERE: Courthouse Square and Juilliard Park, Santa Rosa

Please join us in a march of seniors, disabled persons, children, and their loved ones coming together to create safer streets for pedestrians and bicyclists here in Sonoma County. Assembly time for march is 1:00 pm at Courthouse Square. A rally will follow in Juilliard Park featuring inspirational speakers, advocates and educational information on how we can become a safer community.

Co-sponsored by: City of Santa Rosa ~ Santa Rosa Junior College ~ St. Joseph Health Care System, Sonoma County ~ Southwest Community Health Center ~ Community Housing Development Corp .of Santa Rosa ~ Senior Advocacy Services ~ Earle Baum Center of the Blind ~ Housing Advocacy Group ~ Neighborhood Alliance of Santa Rosa ~ CRI (Community Resources for Independence) ~Redwood Empire Council of the Blind ~ Becoming Independent ~ Sonoma County Bicycle Coalition ~ Sonoma County District Attorney's Office ~ Alzheimer's Association ~ Assemblyman Joe Nation ~ Congresswoman Lynn Woolsey ~Kaiser Permanente ~ Verihealth Inc. ~ Church of the Incarnation

We will assemble at Courthouse Square and march down to Juilliard Park where there will be a rally. For more information please contact Council on Aging at (707)525-0143, ext. 112 or go to www.councilonaging.com.

C/CAG AGENDA REPORT

Date: September 28, 2006

To: Bicycle and Pedestrian Advisory Committee

From: Tom Madalena

Subject: Presentation on the Mirada Surf Coastal Trail Project

(For further information contact Tom Madalena at 599-1460)

RECOMMENDATION

This item is being presented by San Mateo County Parks and Recreation staff as the County has approached C/CAG BPAC staff to ask for a letter of recommendation on the Mirada Surf Coastal Trail Project.

FISCAL IMPACT

Not applicable.

SOURCE OF FUNDS

Not applicable

BACKGROUND/DISCUSSION

The Mirada Surf Coastal Trail is described below.

- Development of approximately one-half mile of Class I trail (multi-use, 12-foot wide, paved, center-striped with four-foot wide gravel shoulders) on the coastal bluff known as Mirada Surf in El Granada, San Mateo County.
- The trail will run from Magallen Road, Miramar north to Coronado Road, El Granada.
- The site is located 2.9 miles north of the intersection of Highway 92 and Highway 1 in Half Moon Bay.
- The trail is adjacent to and parallel to Highway 1 and will close a gap in the California Coastal Trail resulting in 14 miles of continuous multi-use trail from Half Moon Bay to the Pillar Point Harbor in Princeton.