

TRANSPORTATION AGENCY FOR MONTEREY COUNTY (TAMC)
Bicycle and Pedestrian Facilities Advisory Committee
Draft Minutes of June 5, 2019

Held at the Transportation Agency for Monterey County

at TAMC office 55-B Plaza Cir., Salinas CA 93901

Voting Members	OCT 18	NOV 18	JAN 19	FEB 19	MAR 19	APR 19	MAY 19	JUN 19
Eric Petersen, District 1, Past Chair	C	P	P	P	P	P	E	P
Jack Smith – District 2 (David Tavaréz)	A	P	P	P(A)	P	E	P	E
Mike Novo – District 3	N	P	P	P	P	P	P	P
Jeff Wriedt, District 4 (Frank Henderson)	C	E	P	P(A)	P	P	P	P
Martin Wegenstein, District 5 (Jeff Lindenthal)	E	P	P	P	P	P	P	P(A)
D. L. Johnson, Carmel-By-The Sea	L	P	P	P	P	P	P	-
Del Rey Oaks - vacant	L	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Gonzales - Vacant	E	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Ernest Gallardo, Greenfield	D	P	E	P	E	P	E	P
Michael LeBarre, King City		P	P	E	P	P	E	E
Vacant, Marina		-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Abby Ostovar Monterey		-	-	-	-	P	P	-
Linda Petersen, Pacific Grove (Jung Hwa Kim)		E	P(A)	P(A)	P(A)	E	P	P
Chris Flescher, Salinas, Vice Chair (Mark Lasnik)		P	P	P	P	P	P	P
Elizabeth Sofer, Sand City		-	-	-	-	-	P	P
Jan Valencia, Seaside (Ralph Wege)		P	P	P	P(A)	P	P	P
Soledad - Vacant		-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Vacant, MBUAPCD		-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Lisa Rheinheimer, Monterey Salinas Transit - Chair		P	P	P	P	P	-	P
Vera Noghera, Velo Club of Monterey (Alex Capelli)		P	P	P	P	E	P	P
Mary Israel, FORA (Jonathan Brinkmann)		P	E	P	P	P	P	P
N. County Recreation & Park District - Vacant		-	-	-	-	-	-	-
James Serrano, Salinas Public Works		P	P	-	-	-	-	-
Raul Martinez – County Public Works		P	P	P	P	P	E	-
Caltrans - District 5		-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Vacant, AMBAG		-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Vacant, Pebble Beach Company		-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Matthew McCluney - CSUMB			-	P(A)	P	P	P	P

E – Excused
P(A) – Alternate

VC – Video Conference
TC – Teleconference

TRANSPORTATION AGENCY STAFF	OCT 18	NOV 18	JAN 19	FEB 19	MAR 19	APR 19	MAY 19	JUN 19
Debbie Hale, Executive Director		E	E	E	E	E	E	E
Todd Muck, Deputy Executive Director		E	E	P	E	E	E	P
Ariana Green, Associate Transportation Planner		P	P	-	P	P	-	P
Maria Montiel, Administrative Assistant		P	P	P	P	P	P	P
Stefania Castillo, Transportation Planner		P	P	P	E	P	P	E
Laurie Williamson, Engineer		P	P	-	-	P	-	-

OTHERS PRESENT:

David Craft Public Jessica Perez Health Department
David Canner Public

- Chair Lisa Rheinheimer called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m. A quorum was established, and self-introductions were made.

- PUBLIC COMMENTS**

David Caneer asked if Caltrans is going to present on their rumble strip program in the near future. Chair Rheinheimer responded that Caltrans has been asked but will not provide a presentation at this time. Committee member Peterson suggested that Mr. Caneer address his question/comments directly to the California Bicycle Advisory Committee.

- BEGINNING OF CONSENT AGENDA**

M/S/C Novo/Israel/unanimous

Abstain: Jeff Lindenthal

- 3.1** Approved minutes of the Bicycle and Pedestrian Facilities Advisory Committee meeting of May 1, 2019.

END OF CONSENT AGENDA

4. SEASIDE & MARINA SAFE ROUTES TO SCHOOL UPDATE

The Committee received an update on the Seaside & Marina Safe Routes to School May pop-ups and walk/bike to school events.

Ariana Green, Associate Transportation Planner reported that the pop-up demonstrations are part of the Seaside & Marina Safe Walking & Biking to School: Complete Streets Plan, which were funded through a \$360,876 Caltrans Sustainable Transportation Planning Grant and \$47,077 of Measure X Safe Routes to School Program funds. She noted that 15 K-12 public schools in Marina & Seaside will be improved for walking and biking children. She noted that during the month of May, the project team installed two temporary safe routes to school “pop-up” demonstrations of proposed on-street improvements in Seaside, Broadway Ave: Yosemite St to Mescal St in front of Martin Luther King Jr School and Marina, Carmel Avenue: Nicklas Ln. to California Ave. in front of Marina Vista Elementary and Carmel Avenue: Carmelo Circle to Lynscott Dr. near Crumpton Elementary. The demonstrations allowed students, parents and residents to physically walk and bike through some of the proposed improvements and provide input on whether or not the projects should be made permanent. She noted that parents were alerted about the safety demonstration and walk/bike to school events via their school’s email and text blast communications. Banners with demonstration dates were displayed at the entrance of each school weeks before the pop-ups were installed. She noted that posters explaining the temporary improvements were displayed at the entrance of each school for the two weeks the demonstration was up. All communication was provided in English and Spanish. Ms. Green noted that parents were encouraged to meet at the start locations within a half mile from school and walk or bike to school to experience the safety demonstration first hand and participate in a safety presentation. Children were thrilled to see Sky and Chase (characters from the children’s Paw Patrol tv show) walk with them to school. The two Paw Patrol costumes will be used for future safe routes to school events part of the “Every Child” state active transportation grant as well as the Salinas Safe Routes to School Caltrans Sustainable Transportation Planning grant. All walk and bike to school events were well attended despite rainy weather. She noted that the ability to experience some of the proposed projects and gain community input on whether those projects should be made permanent was great. They are still gathering and receiving the survey input from the school, parents and residents. She mentioned a few lessons learned that were to give more notice for traffic delays.

Committee member Mike Novo asked if special equipment was needed to maintain protected bike lanes. Ms. Green responded that she was aware of some communities that have purchased smaller sweepers to maintain protected bike lanes and cycle tracks.

Committee member Eric Petersen noted that he missed the Seaside pop-up but was able to see and experience the Marina pop-up and mentioned that it was neat.

Committee member Mathew McCluney expressed interest in having pop-up demonstrations every year to keep the project fresh in the minds of community members. Ariana Green replied that TAMC is planning to do more pop-up demonstrations, but they need to be strategic because they are time and resource intensive.

Ariana Green announced that TAMC in partnership with the city of Salinas, the County Health Department and Ecology Action, have been awarded a \$1.13 Million Planning Grant to improve walking and bicycling for children in 44 K-12 schools in the city of Salinas. She noted that they plan to have five or six temporary safe routes to school “pop-up” demonstrations.

5. **ANNOUNCEMENTS AND/OR COMMENTS**

Committee member Eric Petersen noted that on Blanco Road some mud looked like it was cleaned out

Ariana Green announced the My Town: A Pop-up Children's Museum opens Friday June 7, 2019 at 5p.m. at the Cal State Monterey Bay-Steinbeck Center in Salinas. She noted that the My Town: A Pop-up Children's Museum" is a neighborhood playscape which features a library, store, streets and other elements of vibrant and healthy communities, and it offers unique opportunities to teach traffic safety skills to young children.

Committee member Jeff Wriedt asked about the construction on Davis Road. Deputy Executive Director Todd Muck noted that the County is working on the project and it is fully funded and about one-year away.

6. **ADJOURNMENT**

Chair Rheinheimer adjourned the meeting at 6:43 p.m.