

TRANSPORTATION AGENCY FOR MONTEREY COUNTY (TAMC)
Bicycle and Pedestrian Facilities Advisory Committee
Draft Minutes of April 7, 2021
Held remotely via Zoom due to COVID-19 pandemic

Voting Members	AUG 20	SEP 20	OCT 20	NOV 20	JAN 21	FEB 21	MAR 21	APR 21
Eric Petersen, District 1	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P
Vacant – District 2 <i>(David Tavarez)</i>	P	P	P	-	-	-	-	-
Mike Novo – District 3, Chair	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P
Jeff Wriedt, District 4 <i>(Frank Henderson)</i>	E	P	P(A)	P	P	P	P	E
Martin Wegenstein, District 5, Vice Chair <i>(Jeff Lindenthal)</i>	P	P	P	P	P	P(A)	P(A)	P
D. L. Johnson, Carmel-By-The Sea	P	-	P	-	P	-	P	E
Celine Pinet, Del Rey Oaks	-	-	-	-	P	P	-	P
Gonzales - Vacant	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Ernest Gallardo, Greenfield	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P
Michael LeBarre, King City	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P
Hans Hofmann Jr, Marina	P	E	P	P	P	P	P	P
Abby Ostovar, Monterey	E	P	P	P	-	-	-	P
Natalie Popovich, Pacific Grove <i>(Jung Hwa Kim)</i>	-	-	-	-	-	P	P	E
Chris Flescher, Salinas <i>(Mark Lasnik)</i>	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P
Elizabeth (Libby) Sofer, Sand City	-	P	P	-	P	P	P	P
Ralph Wege, Seaside	P	P	P(A)	P(A)	P	P	P	P
Soledad - Vacant	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Vacant, Monterey Salinas Transit	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Vera Noghera, Velo Club of Monterey <i>(Alex Capelli)</i>	-	-	P	P	-	P	P	P
Grant Leonard, N. County Recreation & Park District	-	-	-	P	P	P	P	E
Vacant - Salinas Public Works	P	P	-	-	-	-	-	-
Vacant – Monterey County Public Works	P	P	-	-	-	-	-	-
Caltrans - District 5	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Miranda Taylor, AMBAG <i>(Will Condon)</i>	P	P (A)	P	P	P	P	P	-
Matthew McCluney - CSUMB	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P

E – Excused
P(A) – Alternate
VC – Video Conference
TC – Teleconference

TRANSPORTATION AGENCY STAFF	AUG 20	SEP 20	OCT 20	NOV 20	Jan 21	FEB 21	MAR 21	APR 21
Debbie Hale, Executive Director	E	E	E	-	E	E	E	E
Todd Muck, Deputy Executive Director	E	E	E	-	P	E	E	E
Ariana Green, Senior Transportation Planner	-		E	-	-	-	-	-
Maria Montiel, Administrative Assistant	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P
Mike Zeller, Principal Transportation Planner	P		-	-	-	-	-	-
Madilyn Jacobsen, Transportation Planner	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P
Laurie Williamson, Senior Engineer	P		P	P	P	P	P	-
Christina Watson, Principal Transportation Planner	-		-	-	-	-	-	-
Tracy Burke, Go831 Program Coordinator	P		P	-	-	-	-	-

OTHERS PRESENT:

Mari Lynch	Public	Marissa Garcia	City of Monterey
Kevin Aguigui	Kimley-Horn	Lisa Rheinheimer	Monterey-Salinas Transit
Peter Meyerhofer	Kimley-Horn	Frederik Venter	Kimley-Horn

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

2. **PUBLIC COMMENTS**

None.

3. **BEGINNING OF CONSENT AGENDA**

M/S/C Pinet/ Hoffmann/ unanimous

Abstain: Martin Wegenstein

3.1 Approved minutes of the Bicycle and Pedestrian Facilities Advisory Committee meeting of March 3, 2021.

END OF CONSENT AGENDA

4. SURF! BUSWAY AND RAPID TRANSIT PROJECT

The Committee received an update and provided input on the SURF! Busway and Bus Rapid Transit project's bicycle and pedestrian connections.

Peter Meyerhofer, Kimley Horn, reviewed the maps that were included in the report. He noted that the project will add an estimated 1-mile of new bicycle and pedestrian facilities, improving connections to the Monterey Bay Recreation Trail.

Lisa Rheinheimer, Monterey-Salinas Transit, reported that MST is the Lead Agency for the project under the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA). She noted that Monterey Salinas Transit released a 30-day environmental public review period that is open from March 13, 2021 through April 12, 2021.

The Committee had the following comments and input on the SURF! Busway and Bus Rapid Transit project's bicycle and pedestrian connections project:

- Coordination with State Parks
- Consider another public survey after the Covid-19 pandemic
- Consider how to offer cost savings for all transit users, including youth
- Consider the aesthetic of lighting
- Consider installing charging units
- Coordinate with Sand City Public Works on the best sweeper to clean sand off the busway
- Consider reducing the angle of the 90-degree turn for cyclists

5. CITY OF MONTEREY – INTERSECTION IMPROVEMENT PROJECT FOR DEL MONTE AND CASA VERDE

The Committee received an update and provided input on the Del Monte and Casa Verde Recreation Trail Crossing Intersection Improvement Project in the City of Monterey.

Marissa Garcia, Traffic Engineer for the City of Monterey introduced Kevin Aguigui, Project Manager. Before presenting the preliminary concepts, Mr. Aguigui reviewed alternatives that were considered but determined not to be feasible and not community preferred. These included two overpass alternatives and two underground options. He noted that the initial intersection design concepts will include relocating of the Casa Verde Trail Crossing to create an at-grade crossing at the intersection. Other elements of the concept include a protected left turn phase, ADA improvements, traffic signal improvements and crosswalk improvements. Mr. Aguigui noted that as the concept gets refined the City of Monterey will return to the Committee for further input.

The Committee had the following comments and input on the Del Monte and Casa Verde Recreation Trail Crossing Intersection Improvement Project:

- Concerns with bicyclist crossing the street
- Concerns with the narrow traffic lanes for vehicles, trucks and bicyclist
- Concerns with the 90-degree turn
- Consider analysis of other traffic calming and traffic relief methods
- Consider analyzing a more detailed pedestrian crossing route

7. **ANNOUNCEMENTS AND/OR COMMENTS**

Committee member Mike LeBarre announced a request related to the Bike Secure Program: “Consider recommending to the TAMC Board that the Bicycle Secure Program designate unused annual program funding up to 5% of the total annual program budget as a Local Equity Allocation (LEA) and providing the Bicycle and Pedestrian Committee authority to award available LEA funds to equity related bicycle & pedestrian activities.” Madilyn Jacobsen replied that staff will bring an update on the Bike Secure Program to the Committee in May.

Committee member Vera Noghera asked how to request green paint be installed on SR 68 near Ryan Ranch towards Monterey.

Committee member Eric Petersen expressed concern about the Castroville pedestrian/bike bridge project.

Mari Lynch, member of public, noted that she encourages everyone to bike no matter of age and size.

8. **ADJOURNMENT**

Chair Novo adjourned the meeting at 7:36 p.m.