MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE BIKEWAY AND WALKABILITY COMMITTEE

09-04-19

These meeting minutes represent an "action minute" format. The Bikeway and Walkability Committee of the City of Costa Mesa, California met in a regular session at 6:05 p.m. on Wednesday, September 4, 2019.

1. CALL TO ORDER

Chair Cynthia McDonald called the meeting to order, at 6:01 p.m. at City Hall's Conference Room 1A at 77 Fair Drive, Costa Mesa, California.

2. ROLL CALL AND INTRODUCTIONS

Committee Members Present: Chair Cynthia McDonald

Vice-Chair Ralph Taboada Member Michelle Fay Member Fiorella Gardella Member Bridget Gleason Member Richard Huffman II Member James Kane

Member Flo Martin Member Michael Nolf

Member Kari Nieblas Vozenilek

Committee Members Absent: Member Mark Cernicky

Member Bryan Estrada Member Edwin Stanly Garcia

Member Kyle Ramer Member Nathan Torres

Chamber of Commerce Liaison: Brent Stoll (not present)

Newport-Mesa Unified School

District Liaison: Dr. Kirk Bauermeister

City Council Liaisons: Arlis Reynolds, Council Member

Andrea Marr, Council Member (not present)

Staff Present: Jennifer Rosales, Transportation Services Manager

Elizabeth Palacio, Engineering Technician III

Jake Wigal, Engineering Technician I

3. PUBLIC COMMENTS

Sid Hedjazi representing Optical Signs presented information on solar-powered LED signs.

4. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Member Richard Huffman moved to approve, James Kane seconded. Member Ralph Taboada moved to approve with two minor corrections. The motion passed unanimously.

5. OLD BUSINESS

a. Heal Cities/Resolution

Jennifer Rosales, Transportation Services Manager updated the committee on the status of the Heal Cities resolution. The Planning Division had minor comments regarding the resolution. Human Resources is reviewing the resolution for consistency with existing policies and procedures. If there are significant changes to the resolution, it will be sent to the committee members for review. The City Attorney's office will need to review the resolution. Ms. Rosales is to provide a staff update and feedback on any changes to the resolution.

b. Bicycle Racks in Public Right-of-Way

Jennifer Rosales, Transportation Services Manager provided an update on the Caltrans Grant Bicycle Rack Project. Locations approved in the Caltrans grant project will have bike racks installed within the next two months. Ms. Rosales invited suggestions from committee members for additional public facility locations for bike rack installations.

c. Class II Bike Lanes

Jennifer Rosales, Transportation Services Manager provided an update on evaluating existing bike lane striping and identifying opportunities for enhancements. The creation of new Class II bike lanes would likely require widening projects. Member Michelle Fay provided notes where she identified potential locations for bike lane additions.

6. NEW BUSINESS

a. OCTA Bristol Street Transit Corridor Study

Jennifer Rosales, Transportation Services Manager, introduced Eric Carlson and Tresa Oliveri from Orange County Transportation Authority (OCTA). Mr. Carlson presented information to committee members on the scope and progress of the Bristol Street Transit Corridor Study, which will identify six conceptual transit alternatives. The final report is anticipated to be complete in summer of 2020.

b. Walk to School Day

Jennifer Rosales, Transportation Services Manager provided an update that Victoria Elementary, Kaiser Elementary, Woodland Elementary, College Park Elementary, and potentially Sonora Elementary will be participating in Walk to School Day on October 2nd.

c. Sub Committees Report

Public Outreach Committee Member Kari Nieblas-Voznenilek requested a volunteer from the committee to lead the creation of the scarecrow for the Annual Scarecrow Bicycle

Event. Also, Kari discussed the upcoming Cyclocross event on November 24th and past committee member Jim Erickson has requested to speak about the event at the next committee meeting for 10 minutes. Kari thanked committee members for participation in the Concerts in the Park series. Member Kari Nieblas-Voznenilek discussed interest in a punch card incentive program for kids biking to school.

- a. Open Streets Chair Cynthia McDonald contacted Pete van Nuys from Orange County Bike Coalition. City Council Liaison Arlis Reynolds mentioned she could set up a meeting with the Mayor of Garden Grove to learn more about their event.
- 2. Government Regulatory / Grants
 - a. No update
- 3. Safe Routes and Accessibility
 - a. No update
- 4. Economic Growth
 - a. No update
- 5. Presentation
 - a. No update
- 6. Mobility Share
 - a. Jennifer Rosales, Transportation Services Manager discussed research being conducted on mobility share.
- 7. Walk Audits
 - a. No update
- d. Items for Next Agenda
 - 1. Heal City/Resolution Update
 - 2. Bike Rack Locations
 - 3. Bike Trail Signage
 - 4. Walk to School Day

7. SPOTLIGHT ON ACTIVE TRANSPORTATION

None

8. COMMITTEE MEMBER COMMENTS

- 1. Member Flo Martin noted a petition being distributed for bike lanes and sidewalks within neighborhoods in Newport Beach and encouraged members to sign.
- 2. Member James Kane mentioned there are upcoming Strong Towns presentations on December 4, 5, and 6, 2019. Mr. Kane informed the committee of a "Walk for Independence" event at Tewinkle Park to take place on Saturday September 7, and of the America Walks Webinars taking place on September 11th and September 12th.

9. CITY COUNCIL LIAISON COMMENTS

City Council Liaison Arlis Reynolds provided information on the Costa Makers Block Party. Ms. Reynolds informed the committee of an Open Streets event called, "Meet on the Beach" taking place on November 17th. Ms. Reynolds requested that any files from presentations occurring at committee meetings be made available on the committee website.

10. STAFF COMMENTS

Jennifer Rosales, Transportation Services Manager, shared that OCTA will be distributing bike helmets and lights at the intersection of Placentia and Victoria from 5:30 PM to 8 PM on

September 11th. The public outreach meeting for the Newport Boulevard Improvements Project is scheduled for September 16th at 6 PM in the Adams Room in the Lyons Park Library

11. NEXT REGULAR MEETING

Next regular meeting is October 2, 2019, at 6:00 p.m. at Costa Mesa City Hall – Conference Room 1A.

12. ADJOURNMENT

The meeting adjourned at 8:22 p.m.

Submitted by:

Cynthia McDonald, Chair