



MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE ACTIVE TRANSPORTATION COMMITTEE

June 1, 2022

These meeting minutes represent an “action minute” format. The Active Transportation Committee of the City of Costa Mesa, California met in a regular session at 4:00 p.m. on Wednesday, June 1, 2022.

1. CALL TO ORDER

Chair Ralph Taboada called the meeting to order at 4:01 p.m. via a City-organized virtual Zoom webinar.

2. ROLL CALL AND INTRODUCTIONS

Committee Members Present:

Chair Ralph Taboada
Vice Chair Bridget Gleason
Member Bryan Estrada
Member Richard Huffman II
Member Flo Martin
Member David Martinez
Member Trace Yulie
Member Jennifer Vavra
Member Emily Webb

Committee Members Absent:

Member Andrew Barnes
Member Jimmy Vivar

Alternate Committee Members:

Benjamin Lechler

Chamber of Commerce Liaison:

Not present

Newport-Mesa Unified School
District Liaison:

Dr. Kirk Bauermeister

City Council Liaison(s) Present:

Arlis Reynolds, Council Member
Jeff Harlan, Council Member

Staff Present:

Raja Sethuraman, Public Services Director
Jennifer Rosales, Transportation Services Manager
Brett Atencio Thomas, Active Transportation
Coordinator

3. PUBLIC COMMENTS

None.

4. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

a. Meeting on May 4, 2022

- Chair Taboada moved to defer the approval of the May minutes to the next regular meeting. Motion seconded by Member Martin. Motion passed unanimously.

5. OLD BUSINESS

a. Active Transportation Projects - Staff Update

Transportation staff emailed project updates on active transportation projects to Committee members and liaisons with the meeting agenda. Active Transportation Coordinator Brett Atencio Thomas provided an update on the Pedestrian Master Plan and proposed revisions to the General Plan's Circulation Element. Discussion ensued with comments from Committee Members Huffman, Estrada, and Martinez.

- Proposed revisions to the Circulation Element will be sent to committee members, and special meeting of the Active Transportation Committee will be scheduled for late June to focus on the Pedestrian Master Plan.

6. NEW BUSINESS

a. Subcommittee Appointments

The list of Subcommittees was provided to Committee members prior to the meeting. Chair Taboada moved to consolidate the nine existing subcommittees into seven subcommittees. Motion seconded by Member Martinez.

- Discussion ensued with Members Huffman, Martinez, Martin, and Council Member Liaison Reynolds making comments.
- Motion passed unanimously.

Subcommittee rosters updated with members volunteering.

- City staff will provide an updated list of subcommittees to Committee members prior to the next regular meeting.

7. SUBCOMMITTEE REPORTS (2 MINUTES EACH)

a. Public Outreach

Member Martin attended a NMUSD event.

b. Government Regulatory/Grants

All bills have begun circulation.

c. Safe Routes and Accessibility

None.

- d. Economic Growth
None.
- e. Presentation
None.
- f. Mobility Share
None.
- g. Walk Audits
None.
- h. Open Streets
Open Streets subcommittee recently met and requested to make a presentation at the next regular committee meeting.
- i. Active Transportation Plan Implementation
None.

8. COMMITTEE MEMBER COMMENTS (3 MINUTES EACH)

Member Martinez announced the Fish Fry event and availability of bicycle parking.

Member Huffman commented on the Paularino Elementary Bike to School day and lack of student participants.

NMUSD Liaison Dr. Bauermeister thanked committee members for all of their work and announced his upcoming departure as the NMUSD committee liaison since he will be starting a new position at NMUSD.

Chair Taboada thanked Committee members and commented on his bike tour to Bryce Canyon.

Member Martinez commented on the end of May's Bike Month and participation of the Committee at the Fish Fry alongside Costa Mesa Alliance for Better Streets.

9. CITY COUNCIL LIAISON COMMENTS (3 MINUTES EACH)

Council Member Liaison Reynolds provided further details on the Fish Fry and welcomed everyone to participate.

10. STAFF COMMENTS

Public Services Director Sethuraman thanked NMUSD Liaison Bauermeister for his service. Mr. Sethuraman commented that Mr. Thomas would send information on an upcoming walk audit tour and review of Placentia Avenue project improvements, as well as a special meeting for the Pedestrian Master Plan.

Transportation Manager Rosales thanked Dr. Bauermeister for his service.

Active Transportation Coordinator Thomas thanked Committee members for their hard work and dedication and thanked Dr. Bauermeister for his service. Mr. Thomas will send out an updated Subcommittee list before the next regular meeting.

11. NEXT MEETING

The next meeting will be a special meeting to be scheduled in late June to focus on the Pedestrian Master Plan.

12. ADJOURNMENT

The meeting adjourned at 5:41 p.m.

Submitted by:

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Ralph Taboada, Chair