

City of Oakland, Bicyclist & Pedestrian Advisory Commission Minutes from the July 15, 2021 meeting Teleconference

Meeting agenda at https://cao-94612.s3.amazonaws.com/documents/July-2021-BPAC-Meeting-Agenda-resized.pdf.

Meeting called to order at 6:01 pm by BPAC Chair Andy Campbell.

Item 1. Roll Call/Determination of Quorum/Introductions

At roll call, quorum was established with eight commissioners present (X). One commissioner arrived shortly after roll call (x).

Commissioners	Present
Reginald K Burnette Jr	Х
Andrew Campbell (Chair)	X
Grey Gardner	Х
Mike Lok	Х
Jesse Jones	X
Phoenix Mangrum	х
David Ralston	X
Patricia Schader (Vice-Chair)	Х
Dianne Yee	Х

Introductions were made.

- Other attendees: Arthur Bart-Williams, Dave Campbell, Danielle Dynes, Tom Holub, Rion Manning,
 Jian Pei, Waylon So, Midori Tabata, Bike East Bay, telephone caller
- Staff: Pierre Gerard, Kerby Olsen, Jason Patton, Noel Pond-Danchik, Jennifer Stanley, KTOP

Item 2. Open Forum / Public Comment

- Dave Campbell announced that City Council voted unanimously to implement protected bike lanes on Telegraph Ave, and he thanked the BPAC for their unanimous vote in support of this project. He also acknowledged Waylon So and Jian Pei, interns with Bike East Bay, who will be working on San Leandro's Bancroft Ave project.
- Ms. Asada Olugbala was disappointed to have City Council vote for the protected bike lanes on Telegraph Ave in the KONO neighborhood, against the recommendation of OakDOT and the Department of Race & Equity. She applauded OakDOT for speaking up for the needs of black and brown people, and she noted that BPAC should have supported the staff recommendation against the protected bike lanes.

Item 3. Approval of meeting minutes

→ A motion to *adopt the Bicyclist & Pedestrian Advisory Commission meeting minutes from June 17,* **2021** was made (Schader), seconded (Burnette), and approved by consent. Adopted minutes online at www.oaklandbikes.info/BPAC.

Item 4. Recent Bicyclist and Pedestrian Related Crashes

Vice Chair Schader led the commission in a discussion of recent bicyclist and pedestrian related crashes in Oakland. On 5/27/21, a female pedestrian was severely injured by a driver at 10th St and Harrison St. On 6/28/2021, a Black female pedestrian was severely injured by a driver at Bancroft Ave and Church St. Additional detail on these crashes was included in the agenda packet under Announcements. In response to a comment at the June BPAC meeting, Commissioner Schader is seeking ways to track pedestrian and bicyclist crashes in addition to the fatal crashes that are currently being monitored.

Summary of Discussion:

- An Oakland resident was struck and killed while riding his bicycle in Hayward on Tennyson Rd.
- The driver who struck and killed a pedestrian on Park Blvd on 5/9/21 was arrested. A 7/9/21 article in the San Francisco Chronicle provided insight on the crash and the arrest, as well as on the victim and his family (https://www.sfchronicle.com/bayarea/article/A-Piedmont-wealth-manager-who-allegedly-left-his-16299763.php).

Speakers other than commissioners: Robert Prinz, Jason Patton

Item 5. Electric Bike Library and Zero Emissions Vehicle Plan

Kerby Olsen, New Mobility Supervisor at OakDOT, introduced the Zero Emission Vehicle (ZEV) Action Plan and the upcoming Electric Bike Library. Topics explored in the ZEV Plan include the installation of electric vehicle chargers in the public right of way, increasing access to e-bikes and e-scooters, and encouraging cargo bike delivery services. The Electric Bike Library is a grant-funded, \$1,000,000 project to purchase 500 electric bicycles and make them available for medium- or long-term rental at low cost through existing bike shops and bike programs. Join the ZEV e-mail list at www.tinyurl.com/zevsurvey2. Learn more about the ZEV Action Plan at www.tinyurl.com/zevplan. A copy of the presentation is attached to these minutes.

Summary of Discussion:

- Speakers expressed excitement and support for the e-bike lending library.
- All the e-bikes will be allowed on all of Oakland's bikeways. (Some types of e-bikes have restrictions on their use, per criteria established by California law.)
- Consider the needs of unhoused people, and that they have ways to check out and charge e-bikes. Libraries could be a location for charging.
- Consider connecting Laney College and Merritt College with electric vehicles. Zero emission shuttles will be part of the planning effort, exploring possible routes and vehicles.
- It would be exciting to promote and support the fabrication of e-bikes in Oakland.
- The e-bike library is seeking a good price on the e-bikes by purchasing in quantity.
- Discussion is underway with the Scraper Bike Team to use The Shed at the Martin Luther King Jr
 Branch Library as a possible site for checking out e-bikes. Other branch libraries and recreation
 centers are also possibilities, as is the East Oakland Collective as a possible a partner. Staff welcome
 suggestions for organizations OakDOT could partner with to provide checkout locations.
- Ensure there is a site in District 7 for checking out bikes.

- OakDOT is seeking input on the parameters of the program. How long should checkouts be for?
 What should be the price, and are their tiers to the pricing? These decisions have tradeoffs, for
 example, as a longer checkout period would result in fewer bikes being available at any particular
 time.
- Bike East Bay can be a resource for bicycle training with the new e-bike library.
- The e-bike library budget includes funding for workforce development, building the skills of bike mechanics in the shops where bikes could be checked out.
- OakDOT staff will be working through how to handle e-bikes being stolen which will happen.
 There is a need for some form a revenue stream to allow for repairs and the replacement of bikes.
- When checking out an e-bike, people should be held accountable for taking care of it. However, this
 accountability should not prevent low-income people from using the service, or from penalizing
 them if bikes are damaged or stolen for reasons beyond their control.
- The e-bike library will complement the current bike share system by having longer rental periods and for offering multiple types of bikes.

Speakers other than commissioners: Robert Prinz, Dave Campbell, Jason Patton, Waylon So

Item 6. Bike Plan Update

Bicycle and Pedestrian Program staff Jennifer Stanley and Pierre Gerard summarized progress implementing the projects and programs in "Let's Bike Oakland," the citywide bike plan adopted in July 2019 (https://www.oaklandca.gov/resources/bicycle-plan). The presentation was attached to the meeting agenda. See the portfolio of bicycle facilities maps at www.oaklandbikemaps.info.

Summary of Discussion:

- More attention should be given to how "low stress" bikeways are defined. As Oakland starts to have a lot of bikeways, the quality of bikeways is becoming increasingly important.
- The Bike Plan does make assumptions regarding how stress relates to bikeway types, and OakDOT staff are working on a level of traffic stress (LTS) model to more capture the quality of bikeways.
- The work on bike parking and bicycle wayfinding is notable and provide solid examples for other
 jurisdictions to excel in this work.
- The recently adopted Neighborhood Bike Route Implementation Guide (https://cao-94612.s3.amazonaws.com/documents/OaDOT_NBR_Guidance.pdf) is a useful design resource to shape the implementation of upcoming neighborhood bike routes. These guidelines should also be applied retroactively to projects completed before the Guide was completed.

Speakers other than commissioners: Dave Campbell, Robert Prinz, Jason Patton

Item 7. BPAC Commissioner Outreach

BPAC Chair Andy Campbell provided an overview of the BPAC recruitment process for 2022, led a discussion on outreach, and requested volunteers and a motion to create a recruitment committee. A document detailing the status of current commissioners' terms and the recruitment process was attached to the meeting agenda.

Summary of Discussion:

- Commissioner Jones announced her resignation from the Commission, as she is moving out of Oakland and will no longer be eligible to serve as a Commissioner.
- Chair Campbell presented Commissioner Jones with a proclamation from the Mayor in honor of her service.
- Jason Patton explained how BPAC's enabling ordinance staggers the terms of the nine commissioners such that three terms conclude at the end of each calendar year. Recruiting new commissioners begins in July with applications typically due in early September. This allows time for the Recruitment Committee to bring a recommendation to the BPAC's October meeting. The BPAC's recommendation is then forward to the Mayor who selects commissioners that are confirmed by City Council in November/December. This timing allows new commissioners to be seated in time for the January meeting.
- Commissioners Schader, Burnette, and Mangrum volunteered to serve on the Recruitment Committee, as did Midori Tabata.
- → A motion to *create a BPAC Commissioner Recruitment Committee* was made (Campbell), seconded (Jones), and approved by consent.

Speakers other than commissioners: Midori Tabata

Item 8. Committee Report Back

Committees of the BPAC provided brief updates to the Commission. A list of active committees was included in the agenda packet and is available at www.oaklandca.gov/resources/bicyclist-and-pedestrianadvisory-commission-bpac-committees-and-liaisons.

Summary of Discussion:

- Infrastructure Committee: Commissioner Yee shared that their next meeting will be Thursday, 8/5, and they are working to schedule a presentation on the 14th St Active Transportation Program (ATP) Grant project in downtown. The Committee is working to improve coordination with the Mayor's Commission on Persons with Disabilities.
- Bicyclist Pedestrian Police Relations Committee: Commissioner Mangrum shared that members of the committee met on June 28 with leadership from the Police Department and from OakDOT. The Committee received a positive response from the Police Department in seeking opportunities to collaborate on rides they already do. A follow-up meeting is scheduled for tomorrow, July 16.
- Legislative Committee: Commissioner Gardner reported that BPAC submitted a letter of support on AB 43 to the State Legislature. The bill would allow for reduced speed limits in specific circumstances.
- Open Forum Committee: Midori Tabata reported that the Committee did extensive background research on the project that was to build a sidewalk along Caldecott Ln, but ultimately did not due to lack of funding. This research was shared with the Open Forum speaker who raised the concern.

Speakers other than commissioners: Midori Tabata

Item 9. Three-month look-ahead, suggestions for meeting topics, announcements

Three-month look-ahead

• A three-month lookahead was included in the agenda packet.

Suggestions for meeting topics

- Safe bike routes to transit (suggested by Burnette)
- Slow Streets Program (suggested by Gardner, Campbell)

Announcements

- Announcements were included in the agenda packet.
- OakDOT received grants from the Alameda County Transportation Commission (ACTC) 2022 CIP process for three projects: West Oakland Transit Improvements; 14th St Safe Routes in the City; and the East Bay Greenway (Seminary Ave to 75th Ave). For more information, see the detailed Announcement in the agenda packet.

Meeting adjourned at 8:02 pm.

Attachments (to be appended to adopted minutes)

• Electric Bike Library and Zero Emissions Vehicle Plan - Presentation

Minutes recorded by Jason Patton, Bicycle & Pedestrian Program Supervisor, emailed to meeting attendees for review on Tuesday, July 20, 2021 with comments requested by 5pm, Tuesday, August 2, 2021 to NPond-Danchik@oaklandca.gov. Revised minutes will be attached to the August 2021 meeting agenda and considered for adoption at that meeting.



Team Introductions





Michael Randolph Lead, Zero Emission Vehicle Action Plan

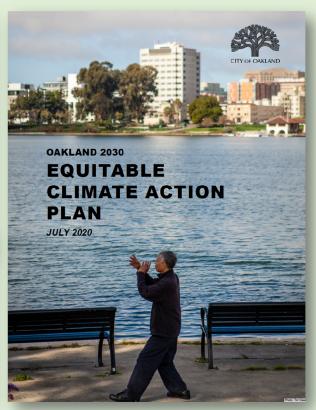


Kerby Olsen New Mobility Supervisor

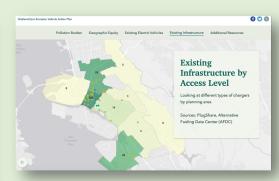
Why Do We Need a Zero Emission Vehicle Action Plan?



Gov. Newsom's Executive Order N-79-20



Oakland's Equitable Climate
Action Plan (ECAP)



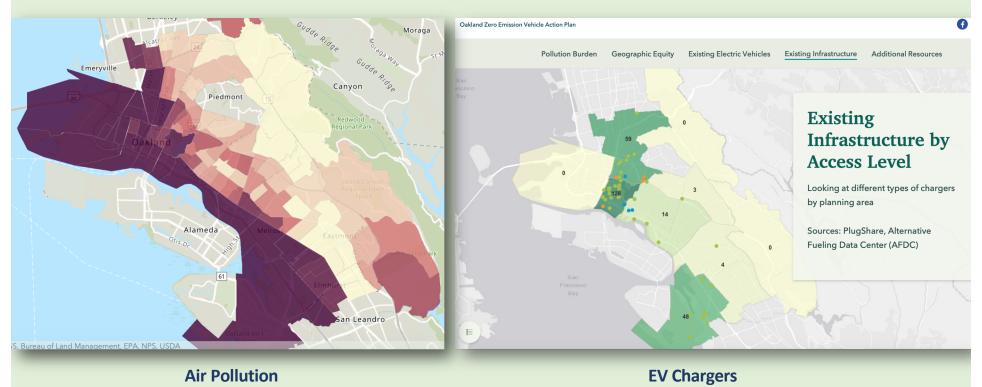
EV Chargers



Air Pollution



Equity



For more info, visit: https://tinyurl.com/ZEVstory







ZEV Action Plan Topic Areas



Existing Buildings



Micro-mobility (E-Scooters and E-Bikes)



Medium and Heavy Duty Fleets



Curbside ZEV Charging



City Leadership



Zero Emission Vehicle Workforce and Economic Development



Charging in Multi-Unit Dwellings

For more info, visit: http://tinyurl.com/zevplan



ZEV Action Plan Public Outreach

- Community Workshops 1 (Summer 2021)

 Identifying Barriers and demystifying
 ZEVs, focus on West Oakland, Fruitvale,
 Deep East
- Community Workshops 2 (Fall 2021)—
 Creating the Roadmap









Public Outreach Meetings

Get Information

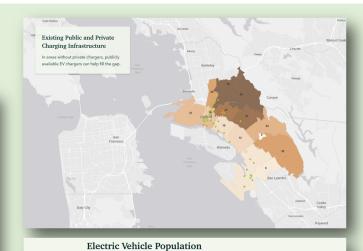


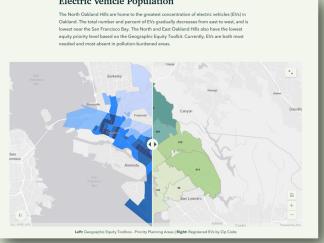
Oakland Zero Emission Vehicle Action Plan

A look at existing conditions of electric vehicle infrastructure

City of Oakland January 11, 2021

ZEV Action Plan Story Map https://tinyurl.com/ZEVstory

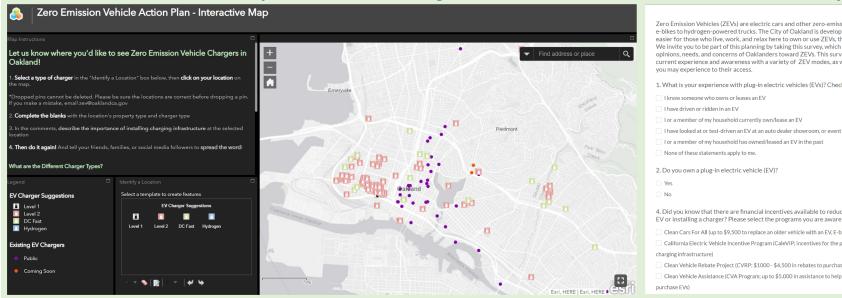






Get Involved Now

Where do you want more EV Chargers?



Tinyurl.com/zevmap

Take the Survey

Zero Emission Vehicles (ZEVs) are electric cars and other zero-emission mobility options, from e-bikes to hydrogen-powered trucks. The City of Oakland is developing strategies to make it easier for those who live, work, and relax here to own or use ZEVs, through a ZEV Action Plan. We invite you to be part of this planning by taking this survey, which will help us understand the opinions, needs, and concerns of Oaklanders toward ZEVs. This survey will ask about your current experience and awareness with a variety of ZEV modes, as well as particular barriers you may experience to their access.

 $1. \, \text{What is your experience with plug-in electric vehicles (EVs)? Check all that apply.}$

know	someone	who	owns	or	leases	an

I have driven or ridden in an EV

I or a member of my household currently own/lease an EV

Lor a member of my household has owned/leased an EV in the past

2. Do you own a plug-in electric vehicle (EV)?

4. Did you know that there are financial incentives available to reduce the cost of purchasing an EV or installing a charger? Please select the programs you are aware of.

Clean Cars For All (up to \$9,500 to replace an older vehicle with an EV, E-bike or transit passes)

California Electric Vehicle Incentive Program (CaleVIP; incentives for the purchase and installation of

Clean Vehicle Rebate Project (CVRP; \$1000 - \$4,500 in rebates to purchase or lease qualified vehicles)

Clean Vehicle Assistance (CVA Program; up to \$5,000 in assistance to help low-income Californians

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Existing Projects

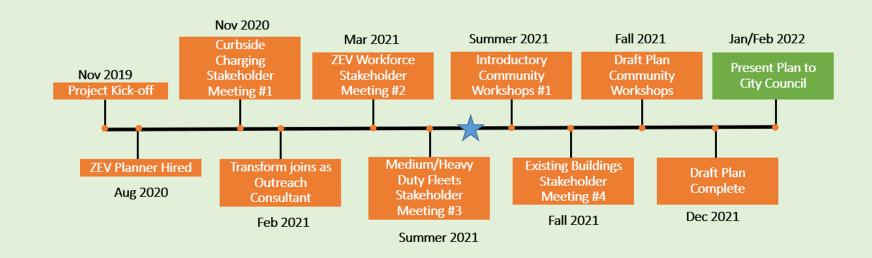






Lafayette Park Lake Park City-Owned Garages

Plan Timeline



For more info, visit the website: <u>tinyurl.com/ZEVplan</u>



Electric Bike Lending Library



\$1,000,000 Grant from CALSTART

1,000 E-bikes (incl. cargo bikes, adaptive bikes, folding bikes, E-scooters)

Goal

Increase access to E-bikes for Low-income Oaklanders, residents of West Oakland, Chinatown, Fruitvale, East Oakland



Electric Bike Lending Library

Recommended Bicycle Programs

Creating a more bicycle friendly
Oakland means investing not only in
new infrastructure, but also ongoing
programs that will encourage and
support more people who choose
to make bicycling part of their
transportation. Envisioning new
initiatives and supporting existing
ones is an important way for the City
of Oakland to invest in the people
they hope will benefit from this plan.
This section walks through what the
Project Team heard, the program

ideas that were developed and vetted at Bike Plan and community events, and first steps toward implementing these ideas.

The Bike Plan recommends three community priorities:

- Promote Hometown Efforts
- Support the Local Bicycling Economy
- Provide Shared Resources



WHAT WE HEARD

- Fund a community owned bike share system (such as a bike library)
- Support and partner with community groups
- Offer a more accessible pricing structure
- Offer bikes for kids
- · Expand service to East Oakland
- Make bike share accessible to people with physical disabilities

Electric Bike Lending Library

Roles

Local bike shops

Provide maintenance, customer service, fit the bikes to the user, receive bikes at end of rental

Logistics provider (GRID Alternatives Bay Area)

Purchase the bikes, locks, helmets, lights, etc.
Store and deliver and receive bikes from bike shops when needed

OakDOT

Manage grant

Questions?



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