Minutes—December 16, 2010 Meeting of the Oakland Bicycle and Pedestrian Advisory Committee City Hall Hearing Room 4, 5:30-7:30 pm

Attendees: Jonathan Bair, Chris Hwang, Carol Levine, Jason Patton, Robert Prinz, Casey Hildreth, Midori Tabata, Dave Campbell, Jennifer Stanley, Angie Little, Kristin Maravilla

AGENDA ITEM		DISCUSSION
	Introductions, Appointment of Note Taker	
2.	Approval of Meeting Minutes:	November meeting minutes approved by consensus.
3.	Assessing and Addressing Bike Unsafe Drainage Grates	Oakland has 10,600 inlets in total, 4,000 inlets on 200 miles of existing and proposed bikeway roadways. 700 grates are on bikeways without curbside parking on one or both sides of the street. 900 inlets replaced with last grant. City seeking input on how to address potentially bike unsafe inlets. Ideas include developing prioritization for which inlets to evaluate/fix first; recruiting volunteers to help survey inlets, and identifying funding sources for new grates. (Staff is revisiting this issue because Angie Little crashed due to a bike unsafe grate on Mountain Blvd in Montclair.) Comments included:
		How about a web app for crowd-sourcing the surveying? Comment on potential changes/policy emphasis, as opposed to "reactive" steps. What about paving projects? Can bike unsafe grates be replaced at that time (a "Complete Streets" approach), or at least an inventory of bad grates be conducted? Concerns were raised regarding the benefit-cost ratio of staff follow-up. Comments to consider opportunity costs when deciding level of effort and potential roles filled by advocacy groups. Discussion ensued by group. Staff will come back to committee on the idea, how to identify and prioritize.
4.	BPAC Agenda Development Subcommittee	Discussion of how the BPAC can help develop agendas. Midori did some online research about projects in Oakland, using the resources currently provided on the BPAC web page. (Jennifer noted that due to the City's web site redesign, some of the links may have changed.). Lake Merritt Station Area CAC presented as good model to identify/track projects by geopgraphy. The Agenda Subcommittee wants to do more to identify projects, reach out to stakeholders, and develop more effective BPAC meetings. Contact Chris Hwang or Jonathan Bair to join the committee. Notice will come out for the next meeting of subcommittee.

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5.	Bicycle & Pedestrian Facilities 2010 Work Plan	Staff provided an overview of the accomplishments of the Bicycle & Pedestrian Facilities Program on its 2010 work plan (agenda attachment) and asked for suggestions for the 2011 plan. Prioritization discussion ensued. Committee likes bike counts. Suggestion made to time bike counts with Berkeley's counts. More ideas are requested for priorities.
		Among the issues raised by staff was the hesitancy to pursue further bikeway feasibility studies (e.g. complicated projects) due to the current method for forecasting future traffic demand and LOS.
6.	Bike To Work Day	Subcommittee will consist of Jennifer, Midori, Jonathan, Carol and Dave. Need more attendance at Pedal Pools. Do pancake breakfast, raffles (same as previous years). Jean Quan has biked in for the event often as a council member and may be the first to bike as mayor. Dave provided an East Bay update, asked for input on location of Bike Away from Work Party and ideas for better outreach to ethnic communities. Are there too many energizer stations (ES) near downtown? Need ES at Grand Lake theatre. Need ES's at the start of the Pedal Pools. Subcommittee will discuss 2011 ES locations.
7.	32 nd St / Hollis Street Bikeway Draft Design Review	Deferred to next meeting in January 2011
8.	Announcements, suggestions for next meeting topics	Announcements:
		Approval granted from Council for road diet and bike lanes on Franklin and Webster
		Caltrans and City of Emeryville approved building Y-fork approach for path to the Bay Bridge
		EBBC – Legislative alert: Alameda County Climate Action Plan and Federal Clean Air Act. Check out links on website.
		AC Transportation Plan: wish list for projects in Oakland being developed; be prepared to comment.

ADJOURN: 7:35 p.m. Respectfully submitted by Dave Campbell