

**Minutes—April 17, 2008 Meeting of the
Oakland Bicycle and Pedestrian Advisory Committee
City Hall Hearing Room 4, 5:30-7:30 pm**

Attendees: Jonathan Bair, Ted Baron, Joyce Carlson, Jim Dexter, Mark Dieter, Chris Hwang, Doug Johnson, Joe McCarthy Fred McWilliams, Jason Patton, Joel Ramos, Virginia Sorgi, Jennifer Stanley, Midori Tabata and Charity Wagner

AGENDA ITEM	DISCUSSION
1. Introductions, Appointment of Note Taker	
2. Approval of Meeting Minutes:	<p>Move to approve March meeting minutes upon two modifications:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Clarify that curb ramps cost ~\$3,000 each ▪ Strike paragraph noting additional cost of minor encroachment permit fee to business owners <p><i>Motion to approve with above modification: Jason Patton</i> <i>2nd: Midori Tabata. Motion passes.</i></p>
3. Citywide Curb Ramp Program	<p>Joyce Carlson, Engineer, CEDA, presented curb ramp standards and process for prioritizing installations of curb ramps. The City has to install curb ramps at approximately 9,000 locations that currently are without ramps. All City ramps are installed in compliance with State and Federal ADA guidelines.</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. The majority of ramps installed each year in Oakland are constructed as part of larger construction projects. New ramps must be installed when trenching work occurs in the curb return area so utility companies and private contractors often construct ramps at no charge to the City. In addition City road resurfacing projects are required to provide missing curb ramps for adjacent concrete areas. Other City capital improvement projects also construct curb ramps. 2. A smaller number of ramps are constructed annually as part of the City's On-Call curb ramp program. First priority is allocated to those requested by people with disabilities. This project is expensive to administer because such requests require telephone consultations with the requestor plus a field trip investigation at each location. Ramps recommended for the On-Call program are approved at the monthly Mayor's Commission on Persons with Disabilities. <p>Current design considerations include necessary space for two ramps per curb, each completely within the crosswalk area with sufficient distance between adjacent ramps at a corner.</p>
4. TDA Article 3 Projects	<p>Request for a letter supporting use of TDA Article 3 funds during fiscal year 2008-09 on five bike/ped projects:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. CityRacks Bicycle Parking Program, Phase VII, \$22,672 2. Stanford Avenue Bicycle Crossing, \$25,000 3. 27th Street/Bay Place Bikeway, Broadway to Grand Avenue, \$50,000 4. On-Call Curb Ramp Project, Phase B, \$50,000 5. Lakeshore Avenue Bikeway Project, \$50,000 <p><i>Motion to approve: Midori Tabata</i> <i>2nd: Mark Dieter. Motion passes.</i></p>
5. MacArthur BART Transit Village	<p>Joe McCarthy of MacArthur Transit Community Partners, LLC presented current status of Transit Village design. Scheduled for City Council approval of Preliminary Development Plan in June 2008.</p>

	<p>Projected final Development Plan approval by Planning Commission in June 2009.</p> <p>Discussion:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Jim: only one crosswalk from Village to BART station and no controls; recommending an additional crosswalk ▪ Mark: Consider additional bike parking closer to retail ▪ Virginia: Concerned about bicyclists sharing lanes with shuttles on Frontage Road; Staff response: Frontage Road is dedicated for shuttles and bicycle traffic only, 20-40 shuttles per hour, pull out stops for shuttles lighten the traffic significantly ▪ Joel: Cyclists accessing CalTrans bike shuttles are usually pinched for space. Recommend that enough space be provided for both shuttles and bicyclists. ▪ Jim: Single entrance to parking garage does not have a dedicated turn lane on W. MacArthur; may cause back-up; Response: Self-parking will improve flow of cars entering garage. ▪ Doug: Need to focus on walking path on W. MacArthur passing under freeway toward Frontage Road. Should also square up corners entering/exiting Frontage Road to slow down traffic.
<p>6. MacArthur BART Bike/Ped Signage Pilot Project</p>	<p>Jason Patton presented BART efforts to post wayfinding signage within ½ mile perimeter of BART stations. MacArthur BART Station examples:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. On bike routes: Staff recommended using existing MUTCD standards. 2. Off bike routes: Staff not recommending proposed system because it doesn't make sense to introduce a non-compliant signage system. 3. Pedestrian component at 7'6" high: recommending different list of destinations 4. Suggests adding signage along 40th Street, Yerba Buena to Webster, Webster, 40th - 41st Streets and 41st Street, and Webster to Piedmont (as per the MacArthur BART Bike Access Study recommendations). These routes can be signed prior to constructing the bike lane facility. <p>Discussion:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Doug: Route Map needs to show station to scale to avoid confusion; Pedestrian signage seems too high, pilot a couple signs to test visibility ▪ Jim: Pedestrian signage should include distance to destination; Bike route signs should have direction arrows, destination/location, and distance. ▪ Jason: Amount of information included will be limited by size of signs. ▪ Midori: Distance information more important than destination names ▪ Jonathan: Be selective about destinations to highlight <p>Email additional feedback to Jason.</p>
<p>7. Bike To Work Day Update</p>	<p>Jennifer Stanley reported that outreach postcards are in the mail; updated volunteer list</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. 5/12 Bike Bag stuffing at REI Berkeley, 1-5pm 2. 5/15 Join Pedal Pools morning of BTWD with local councilmember

	<p>3. 5/16 Mama Buzz Event: Organized by Walk Oakland Bike Oakland</p>
<p>8. Tri-City BPAC Meeting</p>	<p>Report by Midori Tabata and Mark Dieter: Confirm that BPAC will host next meeting, time and location to be determined after Jennifer checks availability of meeting space. Examples of interest to BPAC include:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. CalTrans plan to build access paths to eastern span of the Bay Bridge, including 40th and Shellmound approach 2. Crosswalk treatment and signage <p>Heath, Midori and Mark will continue efforts to encourage open dialogue and good will between cities. They will report back on plans at May BPAC meeting.</p>
<p>9. Bike Parking Funding Status</p>	<p>Update from Jonathan Bair regarding the urgency to seek Councilmember support and action to remediate lost bicycle parking due to removal of traditional parking meters.</p> <p><i>Motion to send letter on behalf of BPAC to Finance and Administration Committee and City Administrator: Mark Dieter</i> <i>2nd: Midori Tabata. Motion passes.</i></p>
<p>10. Announcements, suggestions for next meeting topics</p>	<p>Updated one-pager outreach flyer on Bicycle Parking Plan per BPAC recommendation Encourage participation in Candidates' forum Estuary Crossing Study community meetings 5/17 and 5/21 Draft Bicycle Parking Ordinance presented to Zoning Update Committee. Remaining schedule:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ May 7: Planning Commission (pending ZUC recommendation) ▪ May 27 (updated from June 10): Community and Economic Development Committee (CED) (tentative) ▪ June 17: City Council, 1st reading (tentative) ▪ July 15: City Council, 2nd reading (tentative)

ADJOURN: 7:35 p.m.

Respectfully submitted by Chris Hwang