**NOTES FROM THE**

**PEDESTRIAN AND BICYCLE ADVISORY COMMITTEE**

**Monday, February3 , 2014**

**6:30pm**

**CITY HALL CONFERENCE ROOM**

**420 Litho Street**

**Sausalito, CA 94965**

1. **Call to Order**

The meeting was called to order at 6:30 p.m.

Present were: Director of Public Works/City Engineer Jonathon Goldman, Council Liaison Tom Theodores, Committee Members Ed Fotsch, Patricia Pigman , Robert Page, and Tom Reilly. Also in attendance were invited guests Jeff and Helena Sears, Herb Weiner and an additional member of the public.

1. **Minutes were approved by unanimous consent**
2. **2014 Committee goals were reviewed and approved**
3. **The Resident’s Survey initial results were reviewed**

Robert Page discussed early survey results and the plan to expand the survey including engaging press via the Marin Scope. A randomized version of the survey was discussed.

1. **Bike Parking was discussed**

Tom Reilly presented his review of current bike parking in Sausalito. Herb Weiner discussed bike parking issues investigated in the past and suggested a possible new bike parking area on Tracy Way in Sausalito. The importance of increased parking and adequate related signage was discussed. Herb Weiner also noted his plan to invite GGNRA and Golden Gate Bridge District representatives to the next committee meeting.

1. **Bike Parking Motion Approved**

On a motion seconded, discussed and approved by a 4-0 vote the committee approved the attached resolution related to bike parking.

1. **Discussion with Jeff and Helena Sears**

Jeff and Helena Sears provided an overview of their bike rental business and its growth. They encourage consideration of a bike helmet law in Sausalito to increase helmet use by bike renters. A law banning bike riding on the Sausalito sidewalks was also discussed. They noted a favorable view on bike ambassadors to assist bike visitors in complying with Sausalito laws. The value of a bike app for mobile smart phones was discussed.

1. **Presentation to the City Council**

The committee has been asked to prepare for a presentation to the Sausalito City Council

1. **Adjournment**

The committee adjourned at 8:35pm

Meeting notes prepared by Committee Member Edward Fotsch, MD

**Resolution of the Sausalito Bicycle and Pedestrian Committee**

February 3, 2014

Resolution related to bike parking in the downtown area:

Whereas the City of Sausalito has created the Bicycle and Pedestrian Committee to review and provide advise related to bicycle and pedestrian issues in the City of Sausalito and;

Whereas the Bicycle and Pedestrian Committee has commissioned and received a survey of both bicyclists and merchants that identifies bike parking as a major issue of concern, particularly in that bike traffic into Sausalito on busy days exceeds 2,000 bikes per day and;

Whereas the Bicycle and Pedestrian Committee has requested and received a current survey of available bike parking in the Sausalito area and found it to be insufficient to support the existing number of visitors arriving via bicycle and;

Whereas the Bicycle and Pedestrian Committee has noted that several private commercial parking lots do not allow bike parking and;

Whereas the Bicycle and Pedestrian Committee has discussed the issues of inadequate bike parking and engaged both members of the city council and city staff in these discussions

Now therefore the Bicycle and Pedestrian Committee recommends the following to the Sausalito City Council:

1. The City Council of Sausalito should strive to increase organize bike parking in the downtown area adjacent to the ferry terminal where most bike visitors wish to visit, shop, explore and depart via ferry.
2. The City Council of Sausalito should investigate fully the use of Tracy Way to accommodate the pressing need for additional bike parking during high volume days.
3. The City of Sausalito should encourage private owners of parking lots to accommodate bike parking on a free or fee basis.
4. The City of Sausalito should attempt to move with alacrity to improve bike parking before the bike traffic increases again in the spring of 2014

The vote in favor of the resolution was 4-0 with no abstentions