

Minutes From The Pedestrian & Bicycle Advisory Committee (PBAC)

Monday, August 11, 2014
6:30pm
CITY HALL CONFERENCE ROOM
420 Litho Street
Sausalito, CA 94965

1. Call to Order

Meeting was called to order at 6:30pm. Present were Chairman Ed Fotsch, Committee members; John Cox, Patricia Pigman, Tom Reilly, non-voting committee member Alisha O’Laughlin of Marin County Bicycle Coalition (MCBC), city council member Herb Wiener, and City staff representatives including Director of Public Works Jonathon Goldman, Director of Public Works Katie Laufman, and Sausalito Police Department Captain John Rohrbacher.

2. Review and approval of July meeting minutes.

Approved as submitted

3. Old Business

- a. **Committee non-voting member** – it was recognized that Alisha O’Laughlin has become a non-voting member of the PBAC. Alisha is a representative from Marin County Bicycle Coalition.
- b. **Tracy Way road closure update** – Herb Weiner reported that the bike parking situation has vastly improved near the ferry terminal. There are now 37 bike racks along Tracy Way and the reservation station has been moved to the other end to reduce congestion. The prior week was an extremely busy week and presented many challenges, however, overall everyone was pleased with the improved handling of bicycles. Captain Rohrbacher shared that the Chamber of Commerce has met with the SF rental companies to staff 3-4 employees to help with coordinating the bikes.

Herb Wiener shared ongoing discussions to consider having the rental companies pick up rental bikes at Fort Baker and return to the city so that riders can return to Sausalito via shuttle and take the ferry back to SF.

Discussion ensued on concerns relative to safety of riders on sidewalks on South Street and Second Street.

- c. **Vista Point Trail update** – Ed Fotsch reported on two meetings that were held with respect to Alexander Avenue and Vista Point Trail. The first meeting concerned the

safety of bicyclists at the top of Alexander Avenue as they attempt to cross the road to gain access to the east side of the bridge. The second meeting was specific to Vista Point Trail and the recommended improvements. Attendees walked the trail and discussed alternatives. The GGNRA shared that they are responsible for the improvements and target 2016 for completion.

- d. **Ambassadors Program** – The council members discussed the potential program, number of volunteers needed, location for volunteers, their duties, and how best to enlist volunteers. There was extensive discussion on the need to identify someone to manage the program.
- e. **Bikewalking on sidewalk ordinance** - The committee discussed the feedback from an online chat area popular in Sausalito (NextDoor) related to an ordinance requiring that bikes be walked on the sidewalks on the South end of town. Feedback was generally in support of such an ordinance though there was some concern that young bikers might be except. Ed Fotsch volunteered to draft language for a resolution from the committee to go to the council. Also the committee discussed the submission of an email from a resident at the north end of town requesting that a confusing sign be removed that is unintentionally directing riders to use the sidewalk on the east side of Bridgeway. It was agreed that Jonathan Goldman would respond to the resident acknowledging receipt.
- f. **TAM/Alta** – Jonathan Goldman gave an update on the funding TAM has received and earmarked for Sausalito. The Alta consultant would like to meet with PBAC during the November 3, 2014 meeting.

4. There was no public comment item on the Agenda

5. It was agreed that the next meeting will be held at 6:30pm on September 8, 2014

6. Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned at 8:30pm.