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SOLANO BICYCLE ADVISORY COMMITTEE

Thursday, September 1, 2005, 6:30 p.m.
STA Conference Room
One Harbor Center, Suite 130
Suisun, CA 94585

<u>ITEM</u>	<u>COMMITTEE/STAFF PERSON</u>
I. CALL TO ORDER - SELF INTRODUCTIONS (6:30-6:33 p.m.)	J.B Davis
II. APPROVAL OF AGENDA AND APRIL 7, 2005 BAC MINUTES <i>Recommendation: Approve the September 1, 2005 BAC Agenda and April 7, 2005 meeting minutes (6:33-6:35 p.m.)</i>	
III. OPPORTUNITY FOR PUBLIC COMMENT (6:35-6:40 p.m.)	
IV. INFORMATION ITEMS	
A. Solano Bikeway Feasibility Study and McGary Road segment - Update (6:40-7:05 p.m.)	Mike Duncan
B. European Bicycle Facilities Presentation (7:05-7:15 p.m.)	Randy Carlson
C. MTC Regional Bicycle Plan Update (7:15-7:25 p.m.)	Sam Shelton
D. Draft Solano Bicycle and Pedestrian Program (SBPP) Guidelines (7:25-7:50 p.m.)	J.B. Davis Robert Guerrero
E. Review of BAC Top Priority Projects (7:50-7:55 p.m.)	Sam Shelton
F. Update of the Solano BikeLinks Map (7:55-8:00 p.m.)	Sam Shelton
V. Adjournment (8:00 p.m.)— Next meeting scheduled tentatively for <u>October 6, 2005</u> in the STA Conference Room at One Harbor Center, Suite 130, Suisun, CA 94585 at 6:30 p.m.	



BICYCLE ADVISORY COMMITTEE
Minutes of the meeting
April 7, 2005

I. CALL TO ORDER

The regular meeting of the Bicycle Advisory Committee was called to order at approximately 6:30 p.m. in the Solano Transportation Authority's Conference Room.

Present:

BAC Members Present: J.B. Davis, Chair Benicia BAC member
Glen Grant, Vice-Chair Solano County BAC member
Randall Carlson Fairfield BAC member
Mick Weninger Vallejo BAC member
Jim Fisk Dixon BAC member
Mike Segala Suisun BAC member
Larry Mork Rio Vista BAC member

Others Present:

Eva Laevastu PAC Member, Chair
Dan Schiada City of Benicia Public Works
Mike Duncan City of Fairfield Public Works
James Loomis City of Vacaville Public Works
Paul Wiese Solano County Resource
Management
Bill Schmidt Former Member-at-Large
BAC member
Barbara Wood Benicia Bicycle Club
Dan Christians STA
Robert Guerrero STA
Sam Shelton STA

II. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

On a motion by Glen Grant and a second by Randy Carlson, the BAC approved the agenda.

III. APPROVAL OF FEBRUARY 3, 2005 BAC MINUTES

Paul Wiese noted that John Donlevy's name was spelled incorrectly in the meeting minutes. J.B. Davis noted that his comments, regarding MTC's Regional Bicycle and Pedestrian applications, should reflect that about half of the applicants were as good as Solano County's applications. On a motion by Randy Carlson, and a second by Glen Grant, the BAC approved the February 3, 2005 meeting minutes.

IV. OPPORTUNITY FOR PUBLIC COMMENT

No public comment.

V. INFORMATION ITEMS

A. Joint BAC/PAC Special Meeting

J.B. Davis summarized the discussions held at the Joint BAC/PAC special meeting, March 31, to the BAC. Mr. Davis stated that overall it was a good meeting.

J.B. Davis noted that the subject of merging the two committees would be brought up at a future meeting. Mr. Davis clarified that the BAC is capable of advising the STA Board on pedestrian issues.

Randy Carlson agreed with Mr. Davis' opinion of the BAC's ability to advise the STA Board on pedestrian issues. Mr. Carlson wanted to clarify that any of his conspiratorial reasons for the STA Board to start the Pedestrian Advisory Committee were "put to rest" and that he is comfortable with revisiting merging the two committees in 6 months, allowing time for the PAC to form.

Eva Laevastu stated that if there was to be two committees that it not be arbitrary or capricious. Ms. Laevastu noted that recommendations for funding should still be considered from both a bicycle and pedestrian perspective.

B. Alternative Modes Funding

Robert Guerrero explained various funding sources available to member agencies for alternative modes projects using MTC's funding source matrix.

C. Revised TDA Article 3 Program

Dan Christians stated that the Joint BAC/PAC committee recommended that the TDA Article 3 recommendations be delayed until revised guidelines are in place. Mr. Christians explained that the current TDA Article 3 approach is to queue projects up over 5 years while the new guidelines would give higher preference to priority projects identified in the Bicycle and Pedestrian plans and by both the BAC and PAC.

The BAC raised a number of issues regarding this shift in guideline policy:

- Competition between committees for TDA Article 3 funds
- Reasons for 1/3 Ped, 2/3 Bike split of funds
- TDA only source of matching dollars for non-regional/local projects that cannot compete for regional funds

- Flexibility of funds will be reduced under proposed guidelines

D. Bike to Work Week

Sam Shelton asked for volunteers for Bike to Work Week energizer stations. Bill Schmidt and Barbara Wood volunteered for Vallejo energizer stations.

VI. ADJOURNMENT

On a motion by Larry Mork and a second by Randy Carlson, the BAC adjourned at 8:16 pm.

The next meeting of the STA BAC is scheduled for Thursday, May 19, 2005 at 6:30 p.m. for the Joint BAC/PAC meeting.



DATE: August 26, 2005
TO: STA BAC
FROM: Sam Shelton, Planning Assistant
RE: Information Items

- A. Solano Bikeway Feasibility Study and McGary Road segment – Update – (Mike Duncan, City of Fairfield)**
A Joint BAC/PAC committee, in May 2005, recommended that the City of Fairfield receive \$100,000 in TDA-Article 3 funds to complete the Solano Bikeway Feasibility Study and McGary Road segment. Mike Duncan will give a brief update on the status of this study.
- B. European Bicycle Facilities Presentation – (Randy Carlson, BAC)**
Randy Carlson has returned from a three-week trip in Europe and has compiled a PowerPoint of bicycle facilities for the BAC's review, including a large bike-parking garage for an Amsterdam train station.
- C. MTC Regional Bicycle Plan Update - (Sam Shelton, STA)**
MTC will be preparing an update of its 2001 Regional Bicycle Plan during late 2005/2006. This will incorporate work completed during Transportation 2030 on the Regional Bicycle Network update, as well as the update of anticipated costs & revenues. MTC Staff is looking for input regarding this effort and what aspects of the existing plan are most in need of work, such as: Develop/revise recommended policies, connections to transit, survey work, safety Analysis, other spatial analysis, or further refined cost estimates.
- D. Draft Solano County Bicycle and Pedestrian Program (SBPP) Guidelines - (J.B. Davis, BAC Chair & Robert Guerrero, STA)**
The SBPP Guidelines will plan how TDA Article 3 and MTC's County Bicycle and Pedestrian funds will be recommended for bicycle and pedestrian projects by both the BAC and PAC. On July 28th, a PAC working group including Eva Laevastu and J.B. Davis (amongst others) met to further refine the SBPP Guidelines. The revised draft will be presented to the BAC and PAC for additional comments before being finalized and recommended for approval to the STA Board.
- E. Review of BAC Top Priority Projects - (Sam Shelton, STA)**
In anticipation of an adopted set of SBPP guidelines and project selection criteria, STA staff requests the BAC to review top priority projects shown in the Solano Countywide Bicycle Plan.
- F. Update of the Solano BikeLinks Map - (Sam Shelton, STA)**
The STA will be updating the 2004 Solano BikeLinks Map by Spring 2006, in time for Bike to Work Week in May 2006. STA staff is requesting for the BAC participation in the update.