

CITY OF SOUTH SAN FRANCISCO
BICYCLE / PEDESTRIAN ADVISORY COMMITTEE
Meeting Minutes, Wednesday, December 2, 2015
City Hall Large Conference Room
400 Grand Avenue, South San Francisco
6:00 pm

Jill Eyres
Chairperson

Cassandra Woo
Vice-Chairperson

Natalie Gore
Committee Member

Al Meckler
Committee Member

Ari Gerrits
Committee Member

Dan Sherman
Committee Member

Alvin Zachariah
Committee Member

Lawrence Henriquez
Secretary

**Heather Ruiz &
Michelle Trayer**
Clerk

COMMITTEE MEMBERS:

Present: Jill Eyres, Cassandra Woo, Al Meckler, Dan Sherman,
Alvin Zachariah, Natalie Gore

Absent: Ari Gerrits

STAFF PRESENT:

Engineering Division: Lawrence Henriquez, Heather Ruiz, & Michelle Trayer

PROCEEDINGS:

Call to Order: 6:02 pm by Chairperson Eyres.

Chair Comments: No comments.

Agenda Review: No changes.

Public Participation: None.

Public Comments: None.

Approval of Minutes: Minutes of October 07, 2015 were approved.

ADMINISTRATIVE BUSINESS:

Item 1. New Member Introduction: Natalie Gore

Lawrence presented BPAC's newest member Natalie Gore. Natalie served on the Housing Authority Committee for 8 years and was looking for a new challenge. Natalie lives in South San Francisco, rides her bike, and believes there is room for improvement for pedestrians and bicycles.

Item 2. Ford Dealership Site Proposal: Presentation by Ken Busch, Senior Vice President for Sares Regis Group and project manager

Senior Vice President for Sares Regis Group and project manager Ken Busch presented the Ford Dealership Site Proposal and overview of the program. The goal is to focus on residential

development around transit while maintaining the businesses on Grand Ave. The development includes apartment and town homes, which would hopefully create a more sustainable future and bring more people closer to the Caltrain Station. Mr. Busch also noted that there is secure bike parking in the units, and currently, 68 secure bike parking spaces and 245 storage lockers are being provided. Regis is working with the City to increase the number of secure bike spaces on site. The company is also working on implementing a “Bike Share Program” for their residents in hopes that it will introduce people to the concept of biking for work and recreation.

Item 3. Bicycle and Pedestrian Database Progress Update: Presentation Hugh Louch

Hugh Louch updated the committee on the Bicycle and Pedestrian Database Progress. This information is used to build understanding about bicycle and pedestrian patterns and movements. By performing regular counts, collecting useful data, and building on the knowledge that we have, Mr. Louch said the information could be helpful when competing for grants programs.

COMMITTEE COMMENTS:

Cassandra Woo

- Vision Zero: BPAC members were invited to attend the Planning Commission on December 17, 2015 because Emma Shlaes of the Silicon Valley Bicycle Coalition will be presenting the Vision Zero and Vision Zero Toolkit. Cassandra noticed that the Vision Zero concept was never presented to BPAC for review prior to the Planning Commission. Lawrence suggested the possibility of inviting Emma Shlaes to the next BPAC meeting to present Vision Zero if Committee members are unable to attend the Planning Commission meeting.
- Inviting outside BPAC members: Cassandra said Paula from San Bruno BPAC was interested in attending a SSF BPAC meeting to observe its process. It was said by Lawrence and Jill that she can drop in and observe at a future meeting if she would like, or we could extend an invite to her via email.

Dan Sherman

- Comment on Ford Dealership Site Proposal: South San Francisco not on the Baby Bullet route. Dan pointed out that there is an increase in pedestrian traffic to the downtown area because of this reason. He suggested that the City should work with Cal Train at some point to get onto the route.

Al Meckler

- Al brought up Dan’s comments from the October 7, 2015 meeting in regards to extending the pedestrian master plans along Canal Street to the Bay Trail. Dan discussed this as a possibility and Al agreed. Lawrence said this was part of the sidewalk/gap closure project and said the consultant working on the project told him there would be some difficulties with this extension.

Jill Eyres

- Jill suggested revisiting the BPAC rotation of Chairperson and Vice-Chairperson as she wanted to make sure she was passing it on appropriately. Heather said she would look into this.

STAFF COMMENTS:

Lawrence:

- Lawrence reminded the BPAC about Vision Zero on December 17, 2015 at the Planning Commission.
- It was noted that this meeting would be Heather Ruiz's last as BPAC's Clerk. Admin Assistant Michelle Trayer from the Engineering Division will take over the role as clerk.
- The City is preparing to submit a Measure A Grant for Bicycling and Pedestrian improvement focus. Two applications will be submitted later this month: Junipero Serra Blvd & Hickey Blvd intersection, and Sunshine Gardens, covering Miller Avenue and fronting the Sunshine Gardens Elementary school between Evergreen and Holly. Sharrows would be installed along Evergreen and Holly to reduce vehicular speeds. In addition, there would be crosswalk improvements to make sure there is higher visibility.
 - Note: Chairperson Jill Eyres signed a letter supporting the grant applications for the two projects.

ACTION:

None

ADJOURNMENT:

There being no further business, a motion to adjourn was presented by Lawrence. Chairperson Eyres closed the meeting at 7:25 pm.