

**SAN LUIS OBISPO COUNTY
BICYCLE ADVISORY COMMITTEE**

Staff Report – May 8th, 2007 @ 7:00p.m.

County Government Center, Room 361
1055 Monterey Street
San Luis Obispo, CA 93408

I. Call to Order

II. Thank You

III. Roll Call

Members: Chairmen Davis, Vice-Chair Olejczak, Carroll, Collier, Goshorn (excused absence), Lee, Lewis, Lyon, Lyons, Mullin

Staff: Berry, DiLeo, Gillham, Hostetter, Mutziger, Olmsted

IV. Visitors, Guests and New Members

Welcome Officer Chris Black (CHP representative) and Mark Wampler.

V. Public Comment

VI. Reading and Approval of Minutes and Correspondence

a. Minutes of February 13th, 2007

The minutes of the February 13th, 2007 meeting are enclosed with the agenda package.

Staff Recommendation: Approve the February 13th, 2007 Minutes.

b. Circulate Contact List for Updates

The contact list will be coming around the meeting, please make sure you check your information and sign.

VII. Guest Presentations

a. 22nd Street Bike Lanes Project Discussion - Mark Wampler (resident)

Mark Wampler would like to discuss the 22nd Street Bike Lanes Project in Oceano from Highway 1 to The Pike. In December 2006, an application for BTA funds was submitted for the project.

b. Q&A for CHP – Chris Black (officer)

- i. Safety issue of glass being swept from roadway into bike lanes
- ii. Caution signs placed in bike lanes.
- iii. Signs stating "Bicyclists Must Ride Single File."

VIII. Reports

a. *Area Advisory Council Letters (Bicycle Facility Fee) - Michelle*

A letter to the Community Advisory has been drafted and is included in the agenda packet. Michelle will send letters in May.

b. *Update on County Trails Plan and Bob Jones Trail - Jan*

Jan will be at the meeting to discuss the project.

c. *Appendix G Update for Bikeways Plan - Michelle*

District 1 has not yet completed the bikeways ranking. Ed lives on the District 1 and 5 borders and has ranked some of the facilities in District 1 also. The current rankings are included in the agenda packet.

d. *Countywide Sweeping Practices - Tim*

Tim Gillham has been compiling Countywide sweeping policies and will be at the meeting to discuss.

IX. Business

a. *Bike Helmet Tags – Frank*

The bike club gives out little tags you can put on your helmet to indicate that your identifying information can be found inside your helmet. Unfortunately many (most?) police and emergency people don't know about the program, so they don't locate the information. Frank Mullin would like to see if the coalition can help us get the word out and possibly expand the use of the tags.

b. *Bicycle Corridors and Bikeways Plan Prioritization – Frank*

Frank has a "passion" that the first mission in creating bikeways should be to establish and maintain a small collection of trails (class 2 or 1) that connect the major urban areas. This would be the equivalent of the freeway system for cars. These bicycle corridors should get the highest rating from the bicycle organizations for completion and ongoing maintenance. As currently composed, the bikeways plan is so dense with roads and options that there is no ability to focus on what is really important.

c. *Bikeways Plan Amendment to include Hwy 41 from Morro Bay to Atascadero and Hwy 1 from San Simeon to the Monterey County Line – Red*

To be discussed at the meeting.

d. *BAC Bylaws Amendment to Article I - Josh and Barry*

To be discussed at the meeting. Resolution 1992-444 has been superseded by Resolution 2006-374 which is included in the agenda packet.

e. *Discussion of Design Review for Projects that Affect Bikeways – Josh*

To be discussed at the meeting.

f. *Inviting City Representatives to Discuss Bikeway Interfaces – Marsha*

To be discussed at the meeting.

X. Information , Announcements and Future Agenda Items

a. *Status of Bike Lane Projects*

- i. Route 101/Vineyard Drive – Construction on interchange and the roadway between Bennett Way to Main Street is schedule to begin in August of 2007.
- ii. Cambria Crosstown trail – This project has been delayed due to a Caltrans redesign on the flood control project. Best case for the project is summer 2008.
- iii. San Luis Bay Drive Bridge - Work has begun and the bridge was closed on April 30th. The trail crossing will remain open during construction which will last well into next year. For project information call 781-1233.
- iv. Price Canyon Road –The project will construct the first ¾ mile section west of Route 227 and focuses on widening the bridges. Construction would begin in the summer of 2008. Issues with Union Pacific could lead to further delays.
- v. Halcyon Road/Route 1 – In March, the Board chose the offset signalized "T" intersections as the preferred alternative. Phase 1A of the project will widen and overlay Halcyon Road south of Highway 1. The contract for Phase 1A is anticipated in December 2007. Phase 1 of the project will add an additional bridge over the creek and signalize the two intersections. Environmental review and design for Phase 1 will begin in fiscal year 08-09. Phase 2, the climbing lane, has been dropped.

b. *County Road System: Goals and Policies*

On May 15 the County Road Policy goes to the Board for review. The Board package is not yet complete and will be distributed at or prior to the BAC meeting.

c. *September BAC Meeting*

Chairperson Davis will be absent from the September meeting. Josh will chair.

d. *BAC Elections*

Committee must elect a chair and vice-chair at the September meeting. Robert would like a new level of leadership that can take the committee in a proactive direction planning a countywide bicycling system. Suggestions include:

- i. Build a closer relationship with Public Works.
- ii. Take the lead in updating the County Bikeways Plan. Next update is in 2010 to retain BTA eligibility.
- iii. Work with the Bike Coalition to implement Chapter V of the Plan.

e. *Caltrans Maintenance Link* (<http://www.dot.ca.gov/maintform.html>)

f. *Future agenda items*

- i. LOCAC Circulation Study - Josh

XI. Adjourn until next meeting.