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**SUNNYVALE BICYCLE AND PEDESTRIAN ADVISORY COMMISSION
Meeting Minutes – February 21, 2013**

The Sunnyvale Bicycle and Pedestrian Advisory Commission met at 6:30 p.m. on February 21, 2013 with Commission Chair James Manidakos presiding. The meeting was held in the West Conference Room, City Hall, 456 West Olive Avenue, Sunnyvale.

ROLL CALL/CONSIDERATION OF ABSENCES

Members Present: James Manidakos
Angela Rausch
Kevin Jackson
Richard Kolber
David Jones
Cathy Switzer
Kyle Welch

Members Absent: None

**Council Liaison
Present:** None.

Staff Present: Jack Witthaus, Transportation and Traffic Division Manager, Department of Public Works

Visitors: David Simons
Jenn Huston
Justin Ward

SPECIAL PRESENTATION

None.

PUBLIC ANNOUNCEMENTS

(Speakers are limited to 3 minutes for announcements of related board/commission events, programs, resignations, recognitions, acknowledgments)

Chair Manidakos announced a Silicon Valley Bicycle Summit would take place on February 26, 2013 at Stanford University.

Commissioner Jackson noted recent meetings on the Stevens Creek Trail, and an upcoming public meeting on February 25. He also announced that Bike to Work Day would be held May 9, 2013. In response to a question from Commissioner Jones, it was noted that participation by BPAC members is voluntary.

CONSENT CALENDAR

- 1.A) Approval of the Draft Minutes of December 17, 2012 Meeting
- 1.A) Approval of the Draft Minutes of December 20, 2012 Meeting
- 1.B) 2013 BPAC Calendar

The consent calendar was approved by consensus.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

This category is limited to 15 minutes, with a maximum of three minutes per speaker. If you wish to address the board or commission, please complete a speaker card and give it to the Recording Secretary or you may orally make a request to speak. If your subject is not on the agenda, you will be recognized at this time; but the Brown Act (Open Meeting Law) does not allow action by board or commission members. If you wish to speak to a subject listed on the agenda, you will be recognized at the time the item is being considered by the board or commission.

None.

PUBLIC HEARINGS/GENERAL BUSINESS

1. ACTION: Wildwood Avenue Street Space Allocation Study

Chair Manidakos indicated his support for the staff recommendation, stating that bike lanes on Wildwood Avenue would provide an important new connection to Santa Clara and to a future connection with the Calabazas Creek Trail. He suggested directional signing at the intersection of Wildwood Avenue and Bridgewood Avenue.

Commissioner Jackson made editorial comments.

Commissioner Kolber noted that he had observed no vehicles being parked on Wildwood Avenue.

Motion by Manidakos, second Kolber to recommend that the City Council approved the staff recommendation and that staff consider directional signage at Wildwood Avenue and Bridgewood Avenue and make editorial corrections to the Report to Council. Motion approved, 7-0.

In response to a question from Commissioner Welch, staff and Commissioner Switzer indicated that the survey response level was typical for community surveys and direct mail surveys.

The Commission took a verbal report from the City's Valley Transportation Authority (VTA) Bicycle and Pedestrian Committee representative David Simons out of order. Mr. Simons reported that the VTA BPAC would be reviewing candidate projects for the Valley Transportation Plan 2040 Bicycle Expenditure Program. He announced that the VTA BPAC had elected new officers. He encouraged Sunnyvale BPAC representatives to communicate to him about big new projects in the City.

2. ACTION: Mathilda Avenue Street Space Allocation Study

Commissioners clarified roadway widths and commented on a high speed right turn lane at Maude Avenue and Mathilda Avenue. Commissioners encouraged consideration of enhanced roadway striping and signing to improve awareness of bicycles on the roadway.

Motion by Jackson, second Kolber, to recommend that the City Council approve the staff recommendation. Questions were asked about conditions of approval related to bicycles and pedestrians for the LinkedIn project at Mathilda and Maude Avenues. Motion approved, 7-0.

3. DISCUSSION: Bike Boulevard Pilot Project Candidate Streets

Chair Manidakos suggested including criteria for ranking bike boulevard candidate streets of removal of barriers to cross city travel, and length of the bike boulevard. The Commission discussed the definition of a bike boulevard. Commissioner Jackson made editorial comments, and indicated his preference for east /west Route 7, a combination of Routes 8 and 9, and north /south Route 6. Commissioner Rausch suggested a criterion for service to high schools. The Commission discussed routes to schools.

The public hearing was opened. Jenn Huston suggested a bus shuttle service to high schools.

NON-AGENDA ITEMS AND COMMENTS

- COMMISSIONERS ORAL COMMENTS

Chair Manidakos noted that one study issue suggested by the BPAC had been supported by the City Council.

Commissioner Jackson supported consideration of bicycle access as part of the Mathilda/237 project. He related an incident he had with the bicycle lockers at the Sunnyvale Library, and summarized correspondence from the Library Director indicating that she was considering removing the lockers due to safety concerns. The Commission discussed policy and procedures for the removal of bicycle or vehicle parking at City facilities.

Upon an inquiry from Commissioner Jackson, staff related that construction at the intersection of Wright Avenue and The Dalles was a lighted crosswalk system.

Chair Manidakos noted that there is no bicycle parking at the post office on Moffett Park.

- STAFF ORAL COMMENTS

None.

INFORMATION ONLY ITEMS

1. Annual Review of the Code of Ethics and Conduct for Elected and Appointed Officials
2. Mary Avenue Street Space Study Community Meeting (Information Item)

3. Stevens Creek Trail Community Meeting (Information Item)
4. Council Ranking of Study Issues (Information item)
5. BPAC E-mail messages and/or letters since circulation of the agenda packet of the December 20, 2012 meeting.
6. BPAC Active Items List

The Commission discussed the Active Items List.

ADJOURNMENT

Meeting adjourned at 7:52 p.m.

Respectfully submitted by:

Jack Witthaus
Transportation and Traffic Manager