

San Luis Obispo County Bicycle Advisory Committee
Minutes - Thursday, August 9th, 2016 at 6:00 p.m.
San Luis Obispo County Government Center
1055 Monterey Street Room 161/162
San Luis Obispo CA 93408

1. Call to Order/Thank You

Dale called meeting to order at 6:04

2. Roll Call

BAC Members: Kenneth Price, Ed Goshorn, Claudia Callwood, Josh Olejczak, Myron 'skip' Amerine, Bill Kennedy, Matthew Bowden, Dale Sutliff

Staff Present: Cathy Degrassi (Caltrans), Scott Kirkish (Caltrans), Melissa Streder (Caltrans), Officer Townsen (CHP), Shaun Cooper (County Parks), Steve McMasters (County Planning), Andy Mutziger (SLOAPCD), Yama Mohabbat (Public Works Secretary)

Guests: Lea Brooks

3. Public Comment

Andy Mutziger Comment: The SLOAPCD recently hired a planning manager who has worked on sustainability projects and has experience related to bicycle and pedestrian related projects. Her name is Rubi Rajbenshi.

Josh Olejczak: Josh stated that the secretary cannot vote, cannot make motion, cannot second motion.

4. Reports

I. County Parks

Shaun Cooper Reported: The Bob Jones pathway project N.E.P.A documents are being amended by Caltrans. County Parks is working concurrently on Request for Proposal (RFP) for additional phases of Bob Jones Trail. The ATP grant application has been previously submitted. Awaiting to here for approval for grant funds in order to complete the first section of construction of Bob Jones Trail.

In regards to the Morro Bay to Cayucos connector project, consultant is working on Chevron's consent of land owner for establishment of Coastal Development Permit. Will be coordinating with Chevron to initiate next steps in project.

For the Templeton to Atascadero connector project, the environmental studies are being finished as well as archaeological studies are being done at project location.

II. SLOCOG

Jeff Brubaker is absent for this meeting. Dale will read reports from SLOCOG on behalf of Jeff.

Dale Sutliff Reported (for SLOCOG): SR-227 Operation Study is in draft form. Final draft will be presented to SLOCOG board in October. With consideration of approval or adoption expected in December. Study includes recommendations for short term bike/ped improvements including building the Edna/Price Canyon Trail. Also includes recommendation of lighting, pedestrian crossing and rumble strip installations. These improvements are for the SR-227 vicinity from Airport Road to Los Ranchos Road.

III. Caltrans

a. Highway 46 West Rumble Strips

Cathy Degrassi Reported: Upcoming rumble strip project on Highway 46 West. The project limits will be a little over 20 miles in length of edge line rumble strips to be placed at various locations along the route. This project is based on the run off the road collisions that Caltrans has studied. There will be a minimum of 5 feet shoulder required at locations which are recommended for edge line rumble strips. Beginning of construction will initiate in fall of 2017, however if funding is provided sooner, construction will be initiated in summer of 2017. The total duration of construction will take about two months or 30 working days to be finished.

Motion by Ken: Motion is to support the proposal for rumblestrips on fog line. Seconded by Josh. All in favor.

IV. County Public Works

Yama Mohabbat Reported:

a. Bike Plan

Bike plan went to the Board of Supervisors today (8/9/16) and was approved unanimously by the board.

William Van Orden has resigned from District 1. The clerk has been notified and vacancy for the position has been posted.

b. Surface Treatment Projects

The surface treatment projects are continuing throughout the county. Bike Lanes to be installed on Thompson Ave. from Nipomo High School to Highway 101. Price Canyon will be completed by an estimated construction completion date of March 2017.

c. Grant Applications

SSARP Grant application has been approved and county is funded with \$120,000 for the study of gravel roads and Roadway Signing & Striping Audit (RSSA) for the top 10 rural roads of concern.

HSIP grant application deadline is Friday August 12th. County is applying for 4 different projects. The projects are Los Berros bike lane from Avis to 2/3 miles east, lighting at LOVR, Thompson, and Pomeroy, metal beam guardrail at Burton Drive and pedestrian cross walks with in roadway warning lights at Ontario, Ocean, and Tefft street. Set-Aside funds will be applied for the metal beam guardrail and in roadway warning lights.

d. Service Requests – <http://www.slocounty.ca.gov/PW/Bicycles.htm> or http://www.slocounty.ca.gov/PW/personal_contact_forms/Bicycle_Contact_Form.htm

V. County Planning

Steve McMasters Reported: La Lomita project is going to planning commission on august 25th. Staff report is available online as of today. comments or recommendations will be allowed on august 25th.

VI. BAC Chairperson

Dale Sutliff Reported: Bike ways plan approved today. Should get hard copies from public works within 2 weeks. Next task is to work on strategic implementation of plan.

5. **BAC Business & Discussion**

A. Minutes of 6/2/16 – Dale/Yama

Dale commented: Yama will be doing a redraft of the June meeting. Will be brought up for approval in the November meeting.

Ed motioned: “Move the item to table it for the next meeting”. Seconded by Ken. All in favor.

B. Highway 227 Discussion – Dale/CHP/Caltrans

Cathy Degrassi commented: A letter can be sent to Tim Gubbins (district 5 director) for any requests in regards to rumble strips.

Officer Townsen commented: The idea of rumblestrips are to protect everyone. all modes of transportation benefit from rumble strips. After placement of rumble strips on several other state roads, it has increased safety. Also, the noise factor is less priority because it is a safety concern more than anything. Its about saving peoples lives whether you are motorist, pedestrian, or a bicyclist.

Skip Motioned: The BAC through Dale write a letter to request rumble strips 6” in width on fog line between Tank Farm Road and Price Canyon Road. Seconded by Josh. All in favor.

C. Bikeway Class Modifications (Paso Robles, Oceano) – Ken

Ken commented: Michelle stated that this project is not on the “radar” and that it will not be implemented anytime soon.

Dale Commented: Michelle stated a user study may be initiated when the school nearby is in session.

6. **Future Agenda Items**

7. **Meeting Adjourned- Next Meeting – November 15th, 2016**