

SF BAC minutes 12_06_2021

Monday, December 6, 2021

1. Roll Call – Determination of Quorum

Meeting start time: 6:31 pm

Present: D1, D2, D5, D7, D8, D9, D10

Absent: D3, D6, D11

Open: D4

2. Ramaytush Ohlone Land Acknowledgment

3. Approve Minutes – BAC Meeting

- October 25, 2021 meeting minutes.
- Kristin moves, Paul seconds to accept the minutes.
- 6 yays, 1 abstention. Motion passes.

4. Public Comments -

- Peter Belden, December 16, 740am at JFK and 8th ave, leading a bike bus to school, will ride along Page Street and end in SOMA.

5. Committee Member Reports (*Information*)

Report	Discussion
Chairman	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• We need to get a D4 BAC representative. Please let us know if there's someone who is interested.• No change on Portola
Committee reports	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• D1:<ul style="list-style-type: none">○ Slow Lake Street has a petition to keep Lake Street slow. Also want to add a lot of safety improvements.○ Webinar is happening December 8th: how would a private run municipal bike share work in the bay area?○ 2nd episode of Comedians on Bicycles (on both Page Street and Lake street) is coming up.• D2:<ul style="list-style-type: none">○ Want to acknowledge that D2 had a pedestrian fatality in the beginning of November at Franklin and November at the beginning of the school day. The supervisor's office is wanting to make changes in that area like daylighting, etc.

- Future of Slow Lake street. Looking forward to hearing more about that from D1 and
- D3: Absent.
- D4: Vacant.
- D5:
 - 2nd annual Page Slow Street holiday tree trimming tomorrow at Page and Lyon streets. 530-630pm
 - Tomorrow at the Tax Allocation committee, Dean Preston's office will vote on the following items in D5 that we are very excited to move forward.
 - Page Slow Street Pilot/extension
 - FY22 Vision Zero Quick-Build Program Implementation - Oak Street bike lane (Shrader to Baker)
 - Western Addition Area Traffic Signal Upgrades - Phase 1 (Construction)
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- D6: Absent.
- D7: Chairman report.
- D8: No report.
- D9:
 - Re the Hairball, multiple city departments that play a role and unclear who is responsible for notifying the area. There's a big open area that could be used for a garden, to make it a more inviting livable space.
 - Don't know what else to do other than what we've been doing. Have brought it up with Ronen's office to see if they are able to put any pressure on folks.
 - On slow streets in the mission, on Shotwell at 24th is some pushback on the dividers. They will block the streets for Carnaval, is also a sign of distrust from the community and is a signal of gentrification. SFMTA will take them out and replace them with removable dividers. Working with Malcom from SFBC and Ronen's office to discuss community involvement and voices when these things are decided.
- D10:
 - Presentation from Peter Belden to vote on Safer 17th
 - Have made 2 trips to the Hairball, there has been no change in the lighting that we mentioned a couple of months ago. The first stage is open, but it is trashed.
 - Has pictures that can be shared and uploaded. Lots of items are now obstructing the views while riding. No agency seems to be taking responsibility for maintaining the space.
 - Bert will contact Caltrans about it.
 - Will also talk to Walton's office to see if they can collaborate with Ronen's office.

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • D11: Absent.

6. Governmental Reports

Agency	Discussion
SFPD Report: Lieutenant Luke Martin	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Absent
MTA Bicycle Program Report: Eillie Anzilotti, PIO for Livable Streets division	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Communication lead for Slow Streets program. • Re Shotwell: the public meetings occurred prior to Sept. The designs were presented multiple times to the community, and didn't receive any feedback. We only heard feedback after the design was implemented. We heard that the feedback wasn't given because there is mistrust with the SFMTA and the community. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ D9: SFMTA should already know some things that happen in each community, like Carnaval. This event has happened for many years, and across various staff changes. ○ EA: we have institutional knowledge that needs to get passed down, and agreed that ongoing communication is needed. • We will be bringing forward a proposal, in partnership with Supervisor Stefani, to reduce dangerous driving in this corridor shortly. We will build it as part of our 2022 Quick Build program. • Regarding more near-term improvements, the rapid response team is recommending: 1) installing painted safety zones at all eligible corners of Franklin and Union and 2) adding daylighting at the NE corner, which will involve shifting the yellow/green meters to the north side of Union. • This portion of Union St is also being considered for future speed limit reductions under AB43 • Slow Lake street: in August Lake was authorized to be extended past the pandemic. In the design phase, have gotten a lot of feedback and opposition to the slow street continuing. Traffic conditions are changing, with California and Lake now slower, so it diverts traffic to other parts of the neighborhood. The neighborhood gathered data via Nextdoor.

- D1: happy to take complaints from people, but this dataset is from Nextdoor, and that app is problematic. They didn't reach out to the bike community for the meeting, so it was a very skewed data set.
- A: 20% of the responses are repeats, our data review showed. It was not a policy meeting, we take it more as feedback.
 - Public comment: Given that at least 20% of the responses were duplicates, I'm concerned that some/many of the 200 attendees may also have been duplicates, non SF residents etc. So I don't think the 200 number is a solid number we can lean on.
- D2: People were kicked out of the meeting if they supported slow streets. 200 people is a well attended meeting, but it is not representative of the neighborhood.
- D8: Is there a weighting system for residents vs nonresident users of Slow Streets when deciding to keep them slow? I don't believe the people who live on the street are the only ones that should have an opinion about the street, since we use the street a lot, and I don't live anywhere near it, and Kristin who does live in D1 uses it to ride her bike.
 - A: Yes, it was about 90% in the neighborhood
- MTA: this back and forth with the neighborhood is frustrating because we are supposed to be in the design phase, not the community outreach phase. We are looking at the traffic patterns to see if they have changed, and if so, by how much.
- [Slow streets evaluation report](#).
- In closing: the project team is still taking requests to meet with the community. We have [three meetings coming up](#), they are MTA led and we just posted them.
- D1: some complaints of Lake street are:
 - ubers/lyfts are becoming an issue, there should be designated pick up and drop offs.
 - A: Not sure if that would work for accessibility, but we can work with them.
 - The ambiguity of the street itself being slow. Drivers are being more aggressive as well (also true throughout the country, it is a stressful time), and not a design solution to that.
- Chair: history of 8th and Lake st intersection, there was once some chat about installing a roundabout.

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Public comment, Peter Belden: To avoid capturing people's stated preferences, which we know are often inaccurate, it could be more productive to put in the improved treatments first and then do the survey or data collection a few months later to capture revealed preferences. Tumlin has spoken about this in the past and the dangers of doing surveys about hypotheticals.
SF Public Works: Vacant	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Vacant
BART Bicycle Advisory Task Force Report: Rick Goldman	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Absent this month.
Bay Wheels: Neal Patel	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Absent this month.

7. Endorse Safer 17th (discussion) Peter Belden – A proposal for protected bike lanes and protected intersections on 17th Street from Bryant Street to Pennsylvania Street and on 16th Street from Missouri Street to Terry Francois Street.

- Presentation by Peter Belden, working with D10
- D1: Be sure to reach out to other essential workers like delivery & restaurant workers.
- D8: In the future do you want to do a connection between 16th and 17th? It's a poorly designed connector. I don't understand why it was built at all. Everytime i ride it, it always has a lot of glass on the street.
 - A: Yes, it is a mess and scary. It needs wayfinding,
- D10: I want to thank you, Peter, very much. You have been a great advocate of this project and biking in general.
- D5: Full support of this, especially the wayfinding, it is currently very confusing to get across to 16th in order to get to the Chase Center and the new park in that area.
- D1: and also Giants games, and encouraging people to travel to sports events via bicycle.
- Chair: Propose we add to encourage active transportation (Kaiser and UCSF) for patients and essential workers

- Public comments: none
- Paul moves to approve resolution with the proposed changes, Marc seconds. Motion unanimously.
- D1, D2, D3, D5, D7, D8, D9, D10 - yay. D4, D6, D11 absent

8. Approve San Francisco Representatives to the BART Bicycle Advisory Task Force

(Resolution) Bert Hill – The SF Bicycle Advisory Committee is authorized to approve nominated representatives of the BBATF:

- Rick Goldman is a long-time member and chair of the BBATF and his current term expires at the end of 2021, so he needs re-nomination to continue to serve. Rick no longer resides or works in San Francisco, thus he will serve in one of the three vacant, recently created at-large seats on the BBATF.
- Jeremiah Maller has been regularly attending BBATF meetings for several years as a member of the public. He lives in Alameda County and works in San Francisco. The BBATF's bylaws allow members to represent counties where they live or work. The BBATF's three Alameda County seats are full.
- Allison Quach, resident of San Francisco, has been a member of the BBATF since 2018. Her term expired in 2020, so she is overdue for a re-nomination. (

- Discussion ensued.
- Melyssa moves, Paul seconds for Jeremiah Maller only.
- Public comment: none
- Moved: 7 yay, 1 abstention.

9. Motion to Adjourn

- Kristin moves, Marc seconds.
- Moved without objection.

Meeting adjourned at 8:24 pm.