

SF BAC minutes 5_20_2024

Monday, May 20, 2024

1. Roll Call – Determination of Quorum

Meeting start time: 6:3x pm

Present: D1,D3, D5, D6, D7, D9, D10, D11

Absent: D2, D4, D8

2. Ramaytush Ohlone Land Acknowledgment

3. Approve Minutes – April 22, 2024 meeting minutes for approval.

- Paul Wells moved to approve, Melyssa seconded. D6 recused. Unanimously approved.

4. Public Comments -

- None

5. Committee Member Reports (*Information*)

Report	Discussion
Chairman report	<ul style="list-style-type: none">● West Portal. Going to be an uphill climb for that area. People don't want to change their habits for their cars. Seems like it's dead in the water. Happy to hear suggestions for improvements.
Committee reports	<ul style="list-style-type: none">● D1: Bike and Rolling plan for D1 in July on the 24th.<ul style="list-style-type: none">○ More reports of purple paddles Slow Cabrillo have been vandalized. MTA says 311 is the best way to report those.○ Bay Wheels will be joining BAC in June for an expansion update.● D2:● D3: Chinatown night market happened, great community event.<ul style="list-style-type: none">○ Went to city hall, Mayor Breed said she wanted to complete Polk Street bike lanes. Seemed like a big reveal moment.○ Heard positive news from community from bay wheels in the neighborhood○ Sutter Street quick build, haven't heard much, and would like to hear about the progress.<ul style="list-style-type: none">■ MTA: Jen Wong is the Sutter QB PM.● D4: Absent.● D5: BTWD happened, there was SFMTA tabling for Page Slow Street suggestions, lots of community input.

- The weekend before BTWD there was repaving on Scott and it was left unpainted and so at one of the busiest intersections at BTWD, there wasn't any bicycle related markings. What is the protocol for waiting to paint double yellow lines & replace the bike lane? DPW?
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- D6: No update.
- D7: Chairman report.
- D8: Absent.
- D9: SF community center volunteering with SFBC. On BTWD I rode to Marin and had to ride with pedestrians over the bridge and it was hard to hear.
 - Public chat response: I'm on the GGB Bicycle and Pedestrian Advisory Committee. We'd love to have public participation in our meetings to share thoughts on walking and biking within the bridge district. The next meeting is June 12th at the GGB Toll Plaza
<https://www.goldengate.org/bridge/visiting-the-bridge/bikes-pedestrians/join-advisory-committee/>
- No good infrastructure on 3rd south of the bridge. Was amazed at
- Cesar Chavez bike lane is in terrible shape.
 - We have an ongoing effort to improve a north south connection in Bayview to parallel 3rd St.
<https://www.sfmta.com/projects/bayview-multimodal-community-corridor>
- D10: BTWD on Thursday, had a ceremony for Safer 17th. Painted some fresh bicycle lanes at Terry Francois and 16th.
 - Safer Illinois
- D11: Starting to see more cyclists around Lake Merced, it's great. It seems to be attracting more cyclists. Right now it seems to be more road cyclists at the moment.

6. Governmental Reports

Agency	Discussion
SFPD Report: Nicole Jones, Commander of Traffic Division and MTA liaison	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Recently debuted a new traffic enforcement plan. We worked hard to get a plan this year. Data driven enforcement to prevent serious and fatal crashes. Have a lot of quantitative data with MTA. We want to hear the qualitative data from groups like this. ● Perception of safety is huge, and we want to increase and measure our enforcement. ● Questions?

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● D9 question: why has SFPD ignored our invitation to join until now. We even had our Supervisors reach out, and first time I have seen police attend in the 1.5 years I've been on the list. What has changed to make this a new priority? We are happy to have you, and we think it's very important to have some enforcement element to support MTA's infrastructure work. Also, what is your plan for traffic rules in bicycle infrastructure to avoid profiling? <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ New policy effective soon, focusing on reducing profiling. We are required by the state to record stops by <i>perceived</i> demographics. ○ We want to be a part of the meetings going forward. We want to work together with the BAC ● Number one focus is speed. Speed is the number one factor for the difference bw life and death. ● D7 question: please help keep scooters off of sidewalks, they go very fast with pedestrians. Esp if cars are taking a right turn, and the scooters are going fast through an intersection, the car or cyclist doesn't know to look for a scooter approaching fast off the sidewalk. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ We are focusing on data driven factors of safety to enforce, and, sadly, this is not one of them. ● D3: Polk is my main thoroughfare for riding in the city. It's mostly blocked and puts me directly in the line of cars who may be driving unsafely. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ We can communicate this and pay attention to Polk. ● Public comment: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Jon Spangler: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Right now we have 24 traffic enforcement officers. Overall we are down 500 officers, so until we get more officers, our division is impacted. We are recruiting! ○ Luke Bornheimer: traffic citations are down 97% since 2013 & funding is up. ● D10: Thank you for joining us. ● Chair: please consider using police on bicycles <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ We are ramping up our mountain bike unit! ● SFPD Commander Nicole Jones: nicole.h.jones@sfgov.org
<p>MTA Bicycle Program Report: Jean Long</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Biking and rolling plan: prepping for June Board meeting. Would love for you to listen in and let us know what you think. ● Re D10: Hairball is under PUC and PW jurisdiction re lighting

<p>SF Bicycle Coalition: Rachel Clyde</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Absent. ● BTWD was a great rebound for membership compared to previous years. We met a lot of people out on the street and it was a fantastic day.
<p>SF Dept of Public Works: Clinton Otwell</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Celebrated BTWD with our director and rode Market to SVN. Supervisor Peskin was there. ● Hairball is going to be cleaned tomorrow per our bicycle street sweeper dispatcher ● Bay to Breakers clean up ● 13th street safety improvement plan from Isis to Valencia start date on Jan 2025. ● Challenges: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Mechanical sweepers are not the most reliable machines. ○ When they go to procure them, they try to get the cheapest kind ○ Hairball: agreement for caltrans has to do with the STREET and not the bike lane. Will get more details on that, and that is helpful for me to know re why it is so challenging. ● D9: I'm disappointed that Bay to Breakers was the reason that the fell bike lane was cleaned. I hope that everyday reasons will be enough reasons to get the bike lane cleared.
<p>BART Bicycle Advisory Task Force Report: Jon Spangler</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● BBATF will have an update on the RSR Bridge Multi-use Path at our June 3 meeting (via ZOOM only). I just emailed background info on the WED, May 22, Bay Area Toll Authority (BATA) meeting to many of you based on the call for agenda items email from Bert. Call or text me at 510-846-5356 for more. ● We have no representation for San Mateo County, please help us recruit! ● Please join us for the meeting!

7. Matt Lasky/SFMTA (Presentation): Matt Lasky will give a presentation about the status of and updates to the Arguello Safety Project.

- Presented an update. Open house TBD

8. Motion to Adjourn

- Melyssa moves to adjourn, Kristin seconds. Adjourned without objection.

Meeting adjourned at 8:45 pm.