Countywide Bicycle & Pedestrian Advisory Committee

MEETING AGENDA

May 24, 2016 – 1:30 p.m.

Sonoma County Transportation Authority
SCTA Large Conference Room
490 Mendocino Avenue, Suite 206
Santa Rosa, California 95401

ITEM

1. Introductions

2. Approval of Meeting Notes: April 26, 2016 - DISCUSSION / ACTION*

3. Public Comment

4. Roundtable updates - Discussion

5. FY 2017 TDA3 update and schedule – Discussion

6. ATP Cycle 3 information sharing – Discussion

7. BAAQMD Bicycle Parking programs accepting applications through June 22, 2016 - Information

8. Next Meeting – Scheduled for September 27, 2016

9. Other Business / Comments / Announcements

10. Adjourn - ACTION
    *Materials attached
    **Materials to be handed out

The next SCTA/RCPA meeting will be held June 13, 2016
The next CBPAC meeting will be held September 27, 2016

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COUNTYWIDE BICYCLE & PEDESTRIAN ADVISORY COMMITTEE MEETING NOTES

Special Meeting Notes of April 26, 2016

ITEM

1. Introductions
   Called to order at 1:30 p.m. by Vice Chair Geoffrey Skinner in Chair Wendy Atkins’ absence.

   Committee Members: Geoffrey Skinner, Citizen Representative, City of Sebastopol; Jim Bohar, Citizen Representative, City of Sonoma; Jon-Paul Harries, City of Cotati; Mona Ibrahim, Town of Windsor; Mario Landeros, City of Healdsburg; Elizabeth Tyree, Sonoma County Regional Parks.

   Guests: Gary Helfrich, Sonoma County Bicycle Coalition; Linda Meckel, SMART; Andrea Pickett, Sonoma County Department of Health Services; Anthony Taylor, Sonoma County Department of Health Services; Megan Weir, Nelson/Nygaard.

   Staff: Chris Barney, Nina Donofrio, Janet Spilman, Dana Turréy.

2. Approval of Meeting Notes: March 22, 2016 - DISCUSSION / ACTION*
   Approved as submitted.

3. Public Comment
   N/A

4. TFCA/TDA3 Quarterly Report – Dana Turrey – Discussion*
   Dana Turréy referred to the report and invited any questions or comments.

   Ms. Turréy explained that the timeline for expenditure of TDA is three years.

   Mona Ibrahim of the Town of Windsor confirmed that staff will be submitting an invoice for their TFCA project.

5. TDA3 Program of Projects – Dana Turréy – DISCUSSION / ACTION**
   Ms. Turréy reported that the Program of Projects would be presented to the Board at the May 9 meeting and that staff is looking for a recommendation by the Committee.

   Elizabeth Tyree reported that she had copies of maps of the Bodega Bay Trail for any interested Committee members.

   Motion to approve by Curt Bates, seconded by Elizabeth Tyree, to approve the Program of Projects. Motion passed unanimously.

6. SMART Bicycle Parking Study – Nelson Nygaard – Presentation
   Meghan Weir of Nelson Nygaard presented slides of proposed bicycle parking facilities at SMART stations. SMART staff examined mode share, connections, trip generators such as employment hubs, and typical transit station bike parking demand.

   Ms. Weir next presented a summary of outreach that has been conducted, including the SMART Technical Advisory Committee, as well as other regional advisory committees. She presented a summary of overall comments provided at these meetings and issues/needs that were identified.

   Ms. Weir next summarized bike parking recommendations and integrating these into the
final bicycle parking investment plan and priorities for implementation.

Various options for short and long-term bicycle parking were presented. Preliminary bicycle parking recommendations include a baseline best practice, expanded higher-demand stations, and hubs.

Ms. Weir presented a summary of station needs and recommendations. A best practices minimum baseline of parking facilities is recommended for short-term, secure, and high volume parking for each of the SMART stations. Gary Helfrich of the Sonoma County Bicycle County spoke to the issue of parking demand. Discussion followed regarding the investment required in these projects, the demand, and issues.

7. SCTA Draft Bike Share Feasibility Study – Dana Turréy, SCTA – Presentation*

Ms. Turréy explained that this is part of the Shift Sonoma County Plan and presented slides summarizing what bike sharing is; mode shift goals; market analysis; bike share demand analysis results; operating models; station siting considerations, and next steps.

Mode Shift goals include the reduction of single occupancy vehicles and increasing the average vehicle occupancy.

Market analysis includes potential user markets (employment centers located near dense residential areas and high volume transit stops). Demand considerations involve trip patterns and trip generators. Ms. Turréy presented maps showing areas of potential demand and “hot spots” in various jurisdictions and countywide. “Hot spots” are generally focused in city centers. Another interactive map showed potential sites identified in the Feasibility Study.

Ms. Turréy summarized the two types of docking stations identified by the Study; the hub-based system and the flexible system, and pointed out the advantages and challenges of each.

Station siting considerations were summarized, including the small docking station and bicycle corral.

Recommendations include implementing flexible bike share system for initial phases; identifying funding; gauging interest from bike share vendors; providing incentives to local vendors to purchase stations or fund operations; considering mobility hubs at transit centers and in peripheral neighborhoods.

Ms. Turréy invited comments and questions. Discussion included the need for increased infrastructure. It was pointed out that infrastructure would evolve with demand. Various options for payment, picking up, and returning bicycles to different locations were discussed.

8. ATP Cycle 3 Disadvantaged Communities Mapping – Chris Barney – Discussion

Chris Barney demonstrated an interactive map identifying areas that meet the criteria for being identified as “Disadvantaged Communities” according to ATP Cycle 3 application materials. This demo included pointing out how to use various optional mapping tools. The map features various populations by income; schools in which 75% of students receive free or reduced price meals, a two-mile radius around these schools; and tribal lands. Additional features include aerial views of communities. He offered to send a link to anyone interested. He also noted other options that could be added.

Ms. Turréy explained that this is being developed by the Caltrans Headquarters Office. The first of statewide workshops took place the previous week in Oakland and statewide workshops are taking place to get input on the Plan. This is a policy document to implement the Caltrans Transportation Plan, in order to reduce bicycle and pedestrian accidents and encourage more bicycling. She referred the Committee to the website to complete the survey.

Ms. Turréy referred the Committee to the following article of interest for information:

10. Articles and Events of Interest - Information

11. Next Meeting – Scheduled for May 24, 2016 – Discussion
Following discussion, the Committee concurred that the next meeting would be scheduled for May 24. Committee members requested to cancel the July meeting due to the extra meeting held in April.

12. Other Business / Comments / Announcements
In response to questions from the Committee, Ms. Turréy explained that she had received no TDA3 applications from Santa Rosa; therefore these are not shown in the report.

13. Adjourn – ACTION
3:15 p.m.