# MINUTES BICYCLE USERS SUBCOMMITTEE

City Hall ------Council Chamber Conference Room Wednesday, August 18, 2010-----5:30 p.m.

COMMITTEE MEMBERS PRESENT: Gene Hiegel, Chair

Kent Morris Richard Osborne Jane Rands

COMMITTEE MEMBERS ABSENT: Davis Barber, Vice Chair

James Donovan Edmundo Duvignau

STAFF PRESENT: Thuy Nguyen, Civil Engineer

Jay Eastman, Community Development Christine Pilapil, Redevelopment Dept.

PUBLIC PRESENT: Louis Kuntz, JMI Realty/Morgan Group

Vince Buck

The meeting was called to order by Chair Hiegel at 5:35 p.m.

## **CONSENT**

# 1. MINUTES OF THE JUNE 16, 2010 MEETING

The Minutes of the June 16, 2010 meeting were APPROVED as written.

## **REGULAR BUSINESS**

Mr. Nguyen recommended that Item No. 3 be heard before Item No. 2. The BUSC concurred.

# 3. FULLERTON TRANSPORTATION CENTER SPECIFIC PLAN

Jay Eastman, Senior Planner, gave a Power Point presentation on the proposed FTC Specific Plan. Key features of the project include:

- New Parking Structure
- Form based code
- Preserves historic buildings
- Market-driven plan
- At least 15% affordable housing to be provided
- LEED and DEED project
- Net Zero Water Consumption Project
- Transit-oriented development with parking management plan
- One-way loop system allowing access to the train station
- Dedicated bike path separate from one-way traffic, in addition to "bike boxes"

- Proposed "bike station"
- Proposed Class I Bike Route
- Enhanced alleyways
- Pedestrian paseos
- New traffic signals
- Connectivity with OCTA bus and Metrolink facilities; public parking on Harbor and Santa Fe; pedestrian connection with new parking garage.
- In lieu parking fee so the City may acquire funding for public parking and storage.

Committee Member Rands inquired if a grocery store was proposed at the southwest corner of Lemon/Santa Fe. Mr. Eastman said that the plan did allow for a grocery store, but staff was not proposing one at this time.

Committee Member Osborne asked what would happen to the existing businesses in the center, e.g. Knowlwoods, Spaghetti Factory, etc. Mr. Eastman explained that this was a "market-driven" plan, and those establishments may remain. He also reminded the BUSC that this plan was a zoning document, not an official project plan.

Committee Member Osborne noted that there had been plan for a proposed bicycle path around the railroad tracks, and down to Anaheim City Limits. Because OCTA was proposing to build a turnback facility, the proposed bike path was removed. He asked if this path could be incorporated into the specific plan. Mr. Eastman said that this particular bike path still is in the General Plan, and that it would be difficult to incorporate it into the Transportation Center Specific Plan because it affects other surrounding properties.

Committee Member Rands recalled that in the past there had been discussion for Redevelopment funding for bike stations and asked if this funding was still available. Mr. Eastman replied that by identifying bike facilities in the specific plan, it becomes a mean to obtain funding.

Committee Member Osborne was at the Amtrak station in Santa Cruz, California, and there were three bicycles in a "bike rack" that were damaged. The City of Santa Cruz has incorporated a program where they charge \$.03/hour for a bike locker, and a card is used to pay the cost, as opposed to cash, and he proposed a similar plan for Fullerton.

Committee Member Rands asked if the new Class I Bike Path would it be feasible to have sections delineated for "pedestrians" and "bicycles".

Committee Member Rands felt that one of the goals should be that the existing elevator runs all night because it is presently the only bike route across to the project from the south. Mr. Nguyen stated that the City's CIP budget contained a line item to add another elevator to this location.

Committee Member Osborne reiterated that his main concern was to prevent vandalism to persons who would ride their bicycles to the transportation center, and be able to leave them safely before taking the train.

Committee Member Rands made a motion to support the specific plan with three addendums:

1. An alternative bus terminal location be presented for further review

- 2. Provide 24-hour access over or under the train tracks for bicyclists between Lemon Street and Harbor Blvd.
- 3. Establish criteria for in-lieu bike fee with a recommendation to encourage disbursement bicycle parking, rather than consolidated in one area.

Committee Member Osborne seconded and the motion carried unanimously by voting members present.

## 2. ADOPTION OF 2009 OCTA COMMUTER BIKEWAYS STRATEGIC PLAN

Mr. Nguyen reported that in 2008 OCTA prepared this plan with collaboration from the City. He explained that this document is required so the City can be eligible for funding, since the City's existing General Plan is over ten years old. Once the City's updated General Plan is adopted, it will supersede the 2009 OCTA Commuter Bikeways Strategic Plan.

Motion by Committee Member Rands to approve said document with a recommendation that OCTA incorporate the results of its regional connectively study in the next amendment. Second by Committee Member Morris, and motion carried by a 3-1 vote, with Committee Member Osborne abstaining.

## 4. BICYCLE SAFETY

The committee voted to continue this item until the next meeting.

# **ADJOURNMENT**

The meeting was adjourned at 7:32 p.m. The next regularly scheduled meeting will be held on September 15, 2010.

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