# MINUTES BICYCLE USERS SUBCOMMITTEE

City Hall -----Council Conference Room Tuesday, January 19, 2012----- 4:00 p.m.

## COMMITTEE MEMBERS PRESENT:

Jane Rands, Chair Gene Hiegel, Vice Chair John Carroll Vince Buck Kent Morris Matt Leslie

COMMITTEE MEMBERS ABSENT: Beth Trimble

STAFF PRESENT: Thuy Nguyen, Civil Engineer

Heather Allen, Planning Manager

ALSO PRESENT:

Carolyn Mamaraldo, OCTA Bill Delo, IBI Group

## **CALL TO ORDER**

The meeting was called to order by Chair Rands at 4:07 p.m.

# **PUBLIC COMMENTS**

There was no one from the public who wished to speak on any matter.

#### **MINUTES**

Chair Rands noted a correction under Existing Networks bulleted item that "40" mph should be "45" mph. MOTION by Member Hiegel that the August 30, 2011 minutes be approved as amended. Motion carried unanimously.

## **REGULAR BUSINESS**

#### **BICYCLE MASTER PLAN UPDATES**

Planning Manager Allen reported that the Bicycle Master Plan will go to Planning Commission on April 18<sup>th</sup>, along with the Climate Action Plan, General Plan and the EIR. It will go to City Council on May 15<sup>th</sup>.

The public review period will start on February  $21^{st}$  and will last for 45 days. Chair Rands and Member Buck agreed to update/review proposed bike routes, including BUSC and public comments, and compiling all the information. A special meeting of the BUSC will be held the first week of February (Feb. 2, 4 pm – 6 pm.) for final approval of the committee.

#### THE OCTA FOURTH DISTRICT BIKE ROUTES

Mr. Dilo gave a brief update of the Fourth District County Bikeway Plan and how more bikeways can be linked between cities in north Orange County, the implementation of corridors, and obtaining grant funding. He handed out maps highlighting the ten corridors identified by the process. Chair Rands wanted assurance that no OCTA project will require the closing of any bike lanes, and Mr. Dilo answered affirmatively.

Member Buck asked if "Complete Streets" gave the county any more leverage in maintaining bikeways. Ms. Mamaraldo replied that this item is governed by local legislation and each city's own Circulation Element. Member Buck further inquired if any comments from the BUSC would be taken into consideration. Mr. Dilo explained that each corridor is flexible to accept changes.

Member Buck noted that one of the corridors serving Cal State Fullerton has riders going under the freeway on Chapman, which is a dangerous situation. Mr. Dilo confirmed that they had received several negative comments from surrounding cities, and this would require further study.

Member Buck questioned if OCTA would be able to provide guidance to cities on how to implement the routes. There will be an implementation toolbox and recommendation for the bikeway enhancements in the final strategy document. In addition, the three focus corridors (Brea Mall - CSUF) (Union Pacific Right of Way) and (Santa Ana to Coyote Creek) will conduct implementation plans, with more detailed analysis block by block.

Mayor Sharon Quirk-Silva entered the meeting at this point. She indicated she would try to organize two roundtable discussions focused on transportation, before the General Plan is heard by the Planning Commission and Council.

The OCTA plan showed paving of the Juanita Cooke Trail. The committee felt that this particular trail should not be paved, and alternate routes should be explored to provide connection to the UP trail.

Member Buck inquired about the "Bicycle Corridor improvement Program 2012 Call for Project Guidelines." Ms. Mamaraldo reported that CMAQ is a new funding program specifically for the implementation, safety and education for bicyclists. The Call for Projects will open in April.

#### **BICYCLE RACK PROJECT UPDATES**

Mr. Nguyen passed out copies of a Purchase Order and location of the proposed bike racks location. There is presently \$2,700 left in the budget.

Chair Rands asked for the cost of installation for each "bike slot". Mr. Nguyen informed her it was \$15.00, in addition to the \$80.00 cost of each slot.

Member Morris suggested that the subcommittee look into racks with artwork on them. Chair Rands moved to continue this item until the next regularly-scheduled meeting.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 5:07 p.m.