

MINUTES  
BICYCLE USERS SUBCOMMITTEE  
City Hall -----Council Chamber Conference Room  
Wednesday, July 16, 2008-----5:30 p.m.

COMMITTEE MEMBERS PRESENT:                   Davis Barber  
  Gene Hiegel, Chairman  
  James Barnum  
  James Donovan  
  Kent Morris

COMMITTEE MEMBERS ABSENT:                   Edmundo Duvignau, Vice-Chairman  
  Banning Ostrow

STAFF PRESENT:                                   Ron Bowers, Senior Civil Engineer  
  Hye Jin Lee, Civil Engineer

**CONSENT**

**MINUTES OF THE APRIL 16, 2008 MEETING**

The minutes of the April 16, 2008 meeting were approved.

**REGULAR BUSINESS**

**PUENTE STREET PROJECT**

Chair Hiegel informed the Committee that he and Member Morris, along with Yelena Voronel and Thuy Nguyen from the City, had met with the City of Brea to discuss the Puente Street Bridge Project. Ms. Lee stated the item would go before the Brea Community Services Commission on August 26, 2008 at 6:00 p.m.

After general discussion, no action was taken by the Committee.

**SAFE ROUTES TO SCHOOL**

Chair Hiegel explained that the BUSC was supposed to be working on safe bicycle routes to the schools, and he did not recall it being discussed in the last several years. He suggested several ways to approach the topic. Mr. Bowers explained the "Safe Routes to School" program did not cover the universities, but was intended to install bike routes and/or signage, and involved the application for Federal money. He did not believe it was cost effective to apply for the funding unless there was a significant project. The schools had been notified and none had expressed interest.

There was discussion of speaking with the principals of the local schools to see if they were interested in working with the Committee to add signage, and Member Davis volunteered to speak with the principal at Golden Hill Elementary School. Mr. Bowers explained that this type

of item fell under the Master Plan update, while the "Safe Routes to School" program was the funding mechanism. The Committee also discussed working with the schools and police department to have a "safe biking" presentation at the schools.

After general discussion, no action was taken by the Committee.

### **BIKE RACKS IN THE CITY**

Member Barber discussed the need for bike racks in other areas throughout the City, especially in locations where bicyclists frequent. It was suggested bike racks could be placed in public parking lots, at libraries and parks, and the City could encourage businesses to provide them. Mr. Bowers explained that there was no current project to study bike racks or a funding source, but if the Committee had specific locations they were interested in those could possibly be looked at.

After general discussion, no action was taken by the Committee.

Staff/Committee Communication:

Chair Hiegel provided the Committee with a copy of the "Measure M Wish List" and briefly discussed it.

Mr. Bowers explained the Bicycle Element was moving forward, although the contact person at RBF (the consultant) had changed. The Committee expressed a desire to review the Bicycle Element prior to it being submitted, and requested Mr. St. Paul attend the next meeting with an update.

### **PUBLIC COMMENTS**

No one from the public wished to speak.

### **ADJOURNMENT**

Chair Hiegel adjourned the meeting at 6:36 p.m. The next regularly scheduled meeting will be held Wednesday, August 20, 2008.

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