

Regional Transportation Planning Agency - Local Transportation Commission
Monterey County Service Authority for Freeways & Expressways
Monterey County Regional Development Impact Fee Joint Powers Agency
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BICYCLE AND PEDESTRIAN FACILITIES ADVISORY COMMITTEE

Wednesday, March 1, 2023 **6:00 PM**

MEETING LOCATION

Voting members must attend in person to count towards quorum

55B Plaza Circle, Salinas, California 93901

Transportation Agency Conference Room

Members of the public & non-voting committee members may join meeting online at: https://us02web.zoom.us/j/990276709?pwd=QXBRbWF6ajh6M3dOR3hhbGloRlhRZz09

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1. ROLL CALL

Call to order and self-introductions. Committee bylaws specify that a quorum shall consist of a majority (7) of the number of voting memberships actually filled at that time (13); the existence of any vacancies shall not be counted for purposes of

establishing a quorum. If you are unable to attend, please contact the Transportation Agency. Your courtesy to the other Committee members to assure a quorum is appreciated.

2. PUBLIC COMMENTS

Any member of the public may address the Committee on any item not on the agenda but within the jurisdiction of the Committee. Under this item, each member of the public is allowed three minutes to address concerns. Comments in items on this agenda may be given when that agenda item is discussed. Persons who wish to address the Committee for public comment or on an item on the agenda are encouraged to submit comments in writing to Maria at maria@tamcmonterey.org by 5:00 pm the Thursday before the meeting, and such comments will be distributed to the Committee before the meeting.

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3. BEGINNING OF CONSENT AGENDA

Approve the staff recommendations for items listed below by majority vote with one motion. Any member may pull an item off the Consent Agenda to be moved to the end of the **CONSENT AGENDA** for discussion and action.

3.1 APPROVE minutes of the Bicycle and Pedestrian Facilities Advisory Committee meeting of February 1, 2023.

- Montiel

The draft minutes of the February 1, 2023 Bicycle and Pedestrian Facilities Advisory Committee meeting are attached for review.

END OF CONSENT AGENDA

4. RECEIVE an update on the results of the Measure X annual audit and compliance reporting for 2021/22.

- Zeller

The purpose of the Measure X annual audit is to confirm that the funding recipients -- TAMC, the County of Monterey and the twelve incorporated cities -- have complied with the voter-approved requirements specified in Ordinance 2016-01 for the Transportation Safety and Investment Plan. Staff will provide information on the receipt and review of annual audit compliance data.

- 5. Bike Month 2023
 - 1. **RECEIVE** report on the Spring 2023 Monterey County Move It Challenge; and
 - 2. **PROVIDE** direction to staff on Monterey County Bike Month 2023.

- Green

Bike Month is a national public awareness event held annually in May to promote bicycling. The Agency has dedicated Transportation Development Act funds for public education, and requests direction from the Committee for 2023 Bike Month outreach.

- 6. ANNOUNCEMENTS and/or COMMENTS
- 7. ADJOURN

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Next Committee meeting will be held on Wednesday, April 5, 2023, at 6:00 P.M.

Transportation Agency for Monterey County

Conference Room

55-B Plaza Circle, Salinas CA 93901

A quorum of voting members is required to be present in the same room to hold this meeting.

There will be a zoom link for hybrid participation.

<u>Voting members</u>: please note that the circumstances in which you may remotely teleconference have been severely curtailed and require prior notice and only certain justifications. Click <u>here</u> for more detail.

If you have any items for the next agenda, please submit them to:

Janneke Strause, Bicycle and Pedestrian Facilities Advisory Committee Coordinator

<u>Janneke@tamcmonterey.org</u>

Important Meeting Information

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Agenda Items: The agenda will be prepared by Agency staff and will close at noon nine (9) working days before the regular meeting. Any member of the Committee may request in writing an item to appear on the agenda. The request shall be made by the agenda deadline and any supporting papers must be furnished by that time or be readily available.

CORRESPONDENCE, MEDIA CLIPPINGS, & REPORTS

Correspondence - No items this month.

Media Clipping - No items this month.

Reports - No items this month.



TRANSPORTATION AGENCY FOR MONTEREY COUNTY

Memorandum

To: Bicycle and Pedestrian Facilities Advisory Committee

From: Maria Montiel, Administrative Assistant

Meeting Date: March 1, 2023

Subject: Draft BPC February Minutes

RECOMMENDED ACTION:

APPROVE minutes of the Bicycle and Pedestrian Facilities Advisory Committee meeting of February 1, 2023.

SUMMARY:

The draft minutes of the February 1, 2023 Bicycle and Pedestrian Facilities Advisory Committee meeting are attached for review.

ATTACHMENTS:

Draft February BPC Minutes

TRANSPORTATION AGENCY FOR MONTEREY COUNTY (TAMC) Bicycle and Pedestrian Facilities Advisory Committee

Draft Minutes of February 1, 2023

Held remotely via Zoom due to COVID-19 pandemic

Voting Members		AUG 22	SEP 22	OCT 22	NOV 22	DEC 22	JAN 23	FEB 23
Eric Petersen, District 1		Р	Р	Р	Р	N	С	Р
Pete Scudder – District 2 (David Tavarez)		Р	Р	Р	Р	0	Α	Р
Mike Novo – District 3, Chair		E	Р	Р	Р		N	Р
Jeff Wriedt, District 4 (Frank Henderson)		Р	Р	Р	Р	M	С	Р
Martin Wegenstein, District 5, Vice Chair (Jeff Lindenthal)		Р	P(A)	Р	P(A)	E	E	Р
D. L. Johnson, Carmel-By-The Sea	E	Р	Р	Р	-	E	L	Р
Celine Pinet, Del Rey Oaks	Т	E	Р	Р	Р	T	L	-
Gonzales - Vacant		-	-	-	-	I	E	-
Ernest Gallardo, Greenfield		Р	Е	Р	Р	N	D	
Michael LeBarre, King City	G	Р	Р	Р	Р	G		Р
Marina - Vacant		-	-	-	-			Р
Gino Garcia, Monterey		Р	Р	Р	Р			Р
(Abby Ostovar)								
Katie Stern, Pacific Grove		-	Р	Р	Р			Е
(Jung Hwa Kim)								
Chris Flescher, Salinas		Р	Р	Р	Р			Р
(Mark Lasnik)								
Elizabeth (Libby) Sofer, Sand City		Р	E	Р	E			-
Ralph Wege, Seaside		Р	Р	Р	Р			Р
(Jan Valencia)								
Soledad - Vacant		-	-	-	-			-
Marzette Henderson, Monterey Salinas Transit		-		Р	Р			E
Vera Noghera, Velo Club of Monterey (Alex Capelli)		Р	P(A)	E	Р			Р
N. County Recreation & Park District - Vacant		-	-	-	-			-
Salinas Public Works - Vacant		-	-	-	-			-
Monterey County Public Works – Vacant		-	-	-	-			-
Caltrans - District 5 - Vacant		-	-	-	-			-
Miranda Taylor, AMBAG (Will Condon)		Р	Р	Р	Р			Р
Sloan Campi - CSUMB		Р	Р	Р	Е			Р

E – Excused P(A) – Alternate VC – Video Conference

TC – Teleconference

A - Absent

TRANSPORTATION AGENCY STAFF	JUL 22	AUG 22	SEP 22	OCT 22	NOV 22	DEC 22	JAN 23	FEB 23
Todd Muck, Executive Director		E	E	P	P			P
Ariana Green, Principal Transportation Planner		E	E	Р	E			-
Maria Montiel, Administrative Assistant		Р	Р	Р	Р			Р
Mike Zeller, Director of Programing and Project Delivery		E	E	E	Р			-
Laurie Williamson, Senior Engineer		Е	Е	-	Р			-
Christina Watson, Director of Planning		Р	Р	Р	Р			-
Janneke Strause, Transportation Planner		Р	Р	Р	Р			Р
Aaron Hernandez, Assistant Transportation Planner		E	Р	-	-			-
Alissa Guther, Assistant Transportation Planner		Р	-	Р	-			Р
Doug Bilse, Principal Engineer		E	Р	-	-			Р
OTHERS PRESENT:								
Greg Hammer	Public		Hans Hoffman		Public			
Kakani Katija	Public			Paola		Public		
Sam Winter	Public			Patrick Tegenza		Public		

1. Chair Novo called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m. A quorum was established, and Maria Montiel took roll call.

2. PUBLIC COMMENTS

Committee member Michal LeBarre announced his resignation and mentioned that this will be his last committee meeting. Committee members thanked him for his service and wished him good luck.

Greg Hammer, member of the Public commented on the future pending project to widen Davis Road from Blanco to Reservation. He mentioned that the proposal stated widening to four lanes, 2 lanes in each direction. He asked why there is no class I separated bike path from Salinas to Toro Park, Ford Ord area. He said Davis Rd. Is comfortable to drive, but he won't take his family to bike there.

Committee member Jeff Wriedt announced that Davis Road has been opened in both directions.

Robin Lee, member of the Public commented on the Davis Road widening project and suggested there be a class 4 separate bike path.

Committee member DL Johnson mentioned that there was a lot of mud and water on the pavement and the river was going through it under the path by Highway 1. He mentioned if anyone knows of any storm damage, please report it to the County or cities.

Paola, member of public requested a sign be put up on Highway 1 between Ocean Avenue and Carpenter with the new law changes requiring drivers to switch lanes when passing bicyclists.

Committee member Sloan Campi concurred with Greg Hammer's comments about Davis Road.

Hans Hoffman, member of public, mentioned that there are a lot of new bike laws and they are great but interested in how will the bike laws be enforced.

3. BEGINNING OF CONSENT AGENDA

M/S/C Campi/Wriedt/unanimous

Abstain: Martin Wegenstein and DL Johnson

3.1 Approved minutes of the Bicycle and Pedestrian Facilities Advisory Committee meeting of November 2, 2022.

END OF CONSENT AGENDA

4. 2023 PROGRAMMING GUIDELINES & COMPETITIVE GRANTS

The Committee reviewed and provided feedback on the draft 2023 Regional Surface. Transportation guidelines.

Janneke Strause, Transportation Planner presented on the draft 2023 Regional Surface Transportation Program guidelines. She noted that the Surface Transportation Block Grant Program is a federal program that provides states and local jurisdictions with funding for highway improvements, street rehabilitation and transportation enhancements. In conclusion Ms. Janneke noted that the Transportation Agency receives an annual apportionment of Regional Surface Transportation Program funding and distributes the funding in both fair-share and competitive programs. She noted that Monterey County and the cities receive fair-share Regional Surface Transportation Program funds based on a formula of 50% centerline miles.

The Committee had the following comments and input on the draft 2023 Regional Surface. Transportation guidelines:

- Consider presenting an analysis of the data collected by project sponsors in the before and after studies
- Consider coordinating with entities on the studies and possibly use fair-share funding to help with study cost
- Accepting applications for quick build short-term projects as a competitive program
- Consider allowing CSUMB to apply for the competitive grant program
- Review committee will come back to the bicycle and pedestrian and Technical Advisory committee's and review the scores and the Board of Directors are at a public meeting
- Consider how the disadvantaged community question will be scored
- Consider changing the fair share formula to not be based on centerline miles
- Consider a training on the review committee so they have a good understanding on the scoring criteria
- Consider that scoring on-time project delivery might negatively affect applicants even if project delays are out of their control
- Support the before and after project study

5. 2023 LEGISLATIVE UPDATE

The Committee reviewed recently adopted laws enacted in 2023 that impact mobility.

Doug Bilse, Principal Engineer reported that several Assembly Bills and Senate Bills were enacted this year that change existing laws, revise the vehicle code or enable new local ordinances that potentially affect mobility. Mr. Bilse noted that some of the most important changes resulted from AB 1909, or the OmniBike Bill, that changes several sections of the vehicle code to clarify that the rules for automobiles should not always apply to bikes. In conclusion Mr. Bilse noted that some of the new laws change the way e-bikes are regulated in California. He noted that in 2021, more people bought electric bikes than electric cars in the U.S. and sales do not appear to be slowing down.

The Committee had the following comments and input on the adopted laws enacted in 2023 that impact mobility:

- Consider not banning e-bikes on certain jurisdiction area, but banning the use of the electric motor
- Look into the law on bicyclist going through the red light
- Hard to enforce and prohibit if operating the e-bike on certain trails
- Consider whether the manufacturer is required keep throttle no higher than 20 miles per hour
- Look into the speed limits on the rec-trail and consider a speed for all motor used
- Consider coordinating with Caltrans on installing a sign "may use full lane, change lane to pass" between Ocean Avenue and Carpenter
- Transportation Agency staff is working with Caltrans on key locations for signage
- Local jurisdiction can take action to prohibit e-bikes
- Consider more signage and enforce it
- Consider respect for each other and give the vehicle and bicyclist indication they are passing by

6. ANNOUNCEMENTS AND/OR COMMENTS

Committee member Eric Petersen asked for a certification of appreciation for committee member Michal LeBarre.

Committee member Ernie Gallardo announced that Arroyo Secco Road is open.

Executive Director Todd Muck announced the next meeting March 1, 2023 will be held in person. He noted that the Executive Committee had a discussion this morning on how to move forward and requested to go with the traditional Brown Act. In conclusion Mr. Muck noted that the hybrid option will be available to the public.

7. ADJOURNMENT

Chair Novo adjourned the meeting at 7:57 p.m.



TRANSPORTATION AGENCY FOR MONTEREY COUNTY

Memorandum

To: Bicycle and Pedestrian Facilities Advisory Committee

From: Michael Zeller, Director of Programming & Project Delivery

Meeting Date: March 1, 2023

Subject: Measure X FY 2021/22 Annual Audits

RECOMMENDED ACTION:

RECEIVE an update on the results of the Measure X annual audit and compliance reporting for 2021/22.

SUMMARY:

The purpose of the Measure X annual audit is to confirm that the funding recipients -- TAMC, the County of Monterey and the twelve incorporated cities -- have complied with the voter-approved requirements specified in Ordinance 2016-01 for the Transportation Safety and Investment Plan. Staff will provide information on the receipt and review of annual audit compliance data.

FINANCIAL IMPACT:

Approved by 67.71% of the voters in 2016, Measure X was projected to generate an estimated \$20 million annually, for a total of \$600 million over thirty years. The funding source is a retail transactions and use tax of 3/8% per dollar spent. Actual revenues have been significantly higher, with 2018/19 receipts (the second full year of Measure X receipts) totaling \$30.5 million. Measure X revenues dropped to \$28.198 million in 2019/20, rose to \$32.01 million in 20/21, and increased again to \$38.133 million in 2021/22.

DISCUSSION:

The Transportation Agency has fiduciary responsibility for the administration of the voter-approved Transportation Safety and Investment Plan (Measure X) funds. Each jurisdiction entered into a tax sharing agreement with the Transportation Agency in order to receive their share of Measure X Local Streets & Roads revenues. In exchange, these agreements require the jurisdictions to submit audit reports annually to the Transportation Agency detailing the steps taken to comply with the implementing ordinance.

In accordance with the Policies & Project Descriptions for the Transportation Safety & Investment Plan, an Oversight Committee representing a diverse range of community interests was formed. The Measure X Transportation Oversight Committee established a subcommittee to conduct the review of the independent audits of the revenues and expenditure of Measure X funds. The subcommittee was tasked with preparing the FY21/22 Measure X Annual Report.

The fifth year of Measure X reporting, for fiscal year 2021/22, was due on December 31, 2022. For this year's independent audits, there has again been a marked improvement in compliance by the jurisdictions from the previous reporting period. All of the jurisdictions submitted their complete reports by the deadline with the exception of Greenfield and Salinas. After an initial review of the reports, Agency staff has reached out to request more

information from Sand City regarding not meeting their maintenance of effort requirement.

The reports received from the jurisdictions can be found in the web attachment link at the bottom of this staff report and a summary of the compliance review is included in the table below:

City or County	Funds Received	Reports Submitted on Time?	Annual Program Compliance Report	Maintenance of Effort	5-Year Program of Projects	Independent Financial Audit	Pavement Management Report
Monterey County	\$9,713,922	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
Carmel	\$256,099	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
Del Rey Oaks	\$97,396	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
Gonzales	\$332,972	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
Greenfield	\$673,109	NO	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
King City	\$562,041	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
Marina	\$992,654	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
Monterey	\$1,312,192	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
Pacific Grove	\$779,615	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
Salinas	\$5,801,761	NO	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
Sand City	\$38,580	Yes	Yes	NO	Yes	Yes	Yes
Seaside	\$1,262,347	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
Soledad	\$836,280	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
Total	\$22,658,968						

The Transportation Agency is responsible for the implementation of the regional component of Measure X and is in the process of completing the Agency's annual audit. Agency staff will present the staff's review of the 2021/22 audit reports from the cities and county.

WEB ATTACHMENTS:

City and County Annual Reports on Measure X Spending



TRANSPORTATION AGENCY FOR MONTEREY COUNTY

Memorandum

To: Bicycle and Pedestrian Facilities Advisory Committee

From: Ariana Green, Principal Transportation Planner

Meeting Date: March 1, 2023
Subject: Bike Month 2023

RECOMMENDED ACTION:

Bike Month 2023

- 1. **RECEIVE** report on the Spring 2023 Monterey County Move It Challenge; and
- 2. **PROVIDE** direction to staff on Monterey County Bike Month 2023.

SUMMARY:

Bike Month is a national public awareness event held annually in May to promote bicycling. The Agency has dedicated Transportation Development Act funds for public education, and requests direction from the Committee for 2023 Bike Month outreach.

FINANCIAL IMPACT:

The Agency's approved 2022/23 budget includes \$27,500 to support Bike Month and other year-round bicycling events and educational activities. This budget comes from the State Transportation Development Act 2% funds for bicycle and pedestrian education and encouragement activities.

DISCUSSION:

The League of American Bicyclists has designated the month of May as National Bike Month. The purpose of Bike Month is to raise public awareness of bicycling as a form of transportation. One of the findings of the 2014 Alliance Benchmarking Report prepared by the Alliance for Biking and Walking is that more people bike and walk to work in communities with strong bicycling and pedestrian advocacy.

Bike Month 2022 Recap

In 2022, TAMC focused limited staff resources on conducting the Monterey County Move It Challenge. The Move It Challenge is a competition aimed at encouraging employees, students and residents in Monterey County to walk and bike to work, school, and shops during the Month of May. The 2022 Challenge ran from April 18 - May 31 and included 85 participants who walked and biked a total distance of 18,419 miles, saved 6.6 tons of CO2 emissions, and saved \$10,000 dollars by not driving.

Bike Month 2023

TAMC staff recommends continuing to celebrate Bike Month by promoting participation in the Move It Challenge and posting local bike events on the TAMC and Safe Routes to School websites and social media channels.

The Challenge will be promoted to employers, schools and members of the public through email notifications, social media advertisements, and flyers. Participants may compete as an individual or part of a team. There will be prizes for

the top team and top three individuals who take the most walking and biking trips during the Challenge. There will also be a random drawing for any participant who registers for the Challenge and takes at least one walking or biking trip.

Prizes are as follows:

- Random Drawing = New bike
- Top Team = \$200
- 1st Place Individual = \$100
- 2nd Place Individual = \$75
- 3rd Place Individual = \$50
- Top Workplace Electric Bike
- Top School scooters, bikes, skateboards and bike/skate rack

TAMC staff goals for the 2023 Challenge are to at least double the number of participants, biking and walking miles, lbs of CO2 emissions saved, and number of dollars saved by not driving.