



**Minutes**  
**Bicycling, Transportation, and Street Safety Commission (BTSSC)**  
**Davis Senior Center, Valente Room (646 A Street)**  
**March 14, 2019**  
**5:30 p.m.**

Commissioners Present: Frances Andrews (Vice Chair), Ryan Dodge, Todd Edelman,  
Eric Gudz (Chair), Jessica Jacobson, Mike Mitchell, Lyuba Vosheva

Council Liaisons: Brett Lee, Dan Carson (alternate)

Staff: Brian Mickelson, Assistant City Engineer / Transportation Manager  
Brian Abbanat, Senior Transportation Planner

Absent: Ryan Dodge  
Dan Carson

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**1. Call to Order & Roll Call**

Meeting was called to order at 5:30 pm

**2. Approval of Agenda**

*Motion (Mitchell, Gudz): Approve Agenda*  
*Motion carries unanimously*

**3. Brief Announcements from Staff and Liaisons**

**A. Bike/Ped Program Update**

Jennifer Donofrio shared that the City of Davis bike map was at the printers and will be ready next week for pickup. On March 4th, Jennifer and Joshua Endow-Monteiro joined UCD staff for the Get Lit event where reflective tape and bike lights were handed out to over 500 students. The Getting Around Davis website is getting a facelift. The new website should be live the week of March 24th. Jennifer is working on planning spring events. She will send the commissioners an email with the event calendar and volunteer sign-up information.

**B. Council Liaison(s) Announcements**

Brett Lee announced the City's transportation consultant from the Netherlands, Maurits Lopes Cardozo was again visiting Davis and presented at the USBHOF. Also toured a few challenging areas in the city and are meeting tomorrow with School Board members.

**C. Other Staff Announcements**

Commissioner Mitchell commented about the Covell Blvd on-street bike lane dropping off at the L Street intersection under construction. Would like bike/ped components of projects completed first.

**4. Public Comment**

John Hess commented about one-way signage on Third Street.

## **5. Consent Calendar**

### **A. Draft Minutes: February 14, 2019**

*Motion (Mitchell, Vosheva): Approve minutes with revisions.*

*Motion carries unanimously.*

## **6. Regular Items**

### **A. JUMP Bike Share System Evaluation**

Dillon Fitch, researcher at UC Davis Institute of Transportation studies gave a presentation on his research on the JUMP bike share system.

Sabrina Bradbury, SACOG TDM program manager, also shared a regional perspective of the JUMP system. She stated the Sacramento JUMP system is one of the highest performing. Rainy weather affects usage, whereas, cold weather doesn't appear to. They are noticing strong commute patterns with JUMP, but also a higher volume of parking complaints than expected.

Commissioner Edelman asked SACOG staff to quantify the complaints.

Sabrina Bradbury responded that approximately 5-6% of bikes either have parking complaints associated with them or are found incorrectly parked in the field. She added that the City of Sacramento is revising their ordinance to provide full cost recovery of monitoring bike parking. The City of West Sacramento is asking for a deposit, with any unused fees returned to the vendor. She noted that bike idle time is low, so they are never incorrectly parked for very long.

Sabrina Bradbury commented that half of Uber rides have converted to JUMP rides in Sacramento.

Brian Abbanat noted that JUMP is interested in expanding the fleet by 500 bikes and City staff are considering ways to encourage better parking behavior.

Aaron Curtin, UC Davis Bicycle Program Coordinator, shared that UC Davis has just signed a partnership agreement with JUMP as the official campus bike share provider.

Commissioner Edelman introduced Commissioner's Report #1 to ask the City Attorney to look into whether JUMP complies with federal age discrimination laws.

Sabrina Bradbury responded she does not think there's a case for federal discrimination. Noted that current age limit is primarily a liability issue and associated insurance costs with allowing younger users. Discussion followed with general consensus that using City resources to explore age discrimination law compliance was not appropriate and a different approach is more likely to achieve the objective of allowing youth to ride JUMP bikes.

*Motion (Edelman, Frances): BTSSC recommends the City Council ask SACOG & bike share vendor to explore reduction of age limits.*

*Motion carries unanimously.*

Commissioner Edelman introduced Commissioner's Report #2 regarding increasing the JUMP speed limit to 20 mph via GPS-enabled dynamic speed control.

*Motion (Edelman): BTSSC recommends proposing to SACOG in conjunction with other relevant authorities and the private sector the creation of a framework for GPS-based, location-specific, speed assist limits for shared e-bikes of all types.*

*Motion fails due to lack of second.*

Commissioner Edelman introduced Commissioner's Report #3 regarding increasing the weight limit.

*Motion (Edelman, Jacobson): BTSSC recommends the City Council ask SACOG & bike share vendor to explore increasing weight limits.*

*Motion carries unanimously.*

Commissioner Edelman introduced Commissioner's Report #4 regarding additional system and technical modifications for JUMP bikes and other potential bike share systems.

*Motion (Edelman, Frances): Modify City ordinance(s) to allow any bicycle to be locked to itself or parked outside the part of the public right-of-way used for pedestrian movement.*

Brian Abbanat stated that the topic of JUMP parking is an important issue considering JUMP's desire to expand their Davis Fleet. City staff, SACOG, and JUMP have been discussing recently some ideas have been developed to improve JUMP parking behavior. He suggested considering delaying a formal recommendation until a more thorough discussion with the commission.

*Motion fails: 1 aye, 2 noes, 3 abstentions*

## **B. BTSSC Branding**

Commissioner Gudz introduced the topic by noting the BTSSC was formed via the combination of two separate commissions after considerable City Council discussion on the commission name. They emphasized that 1) the BTSSC doesn't have self-determination on this matter, and 2) a request to provide the public with a commission group e-mail has been accomplished by the City Clerk's Office.

*Motion (Mitchell, Andrews): Approve staff recommendation.*

Commissioner Edelman commented that the commission name is unclear and is bad english. Would like to ask Council to conduct a preference survey for different alternatives. Also, provide promotional materials such as bicycle seat covers with the BTSSC logo.

Commissioner Gudz stated that the goal is to make the BTSSC more accessible and determine whether there are barriers. They stated that each commissioner has their own preferences for how to interface with the public. Commissioner Gudz prefers the entire commission receive the same information from citizens. They suggested perhaps a picture ID to put a name to a face. They did not support using taxpayer money for promotional materials.

Commissioner Andrews stated the best way to raise community awareness about the BTSSC is by getting out into the community, including writing newspaper articles.

Commissioner Gudz summarized by suggesting the Joint Council meeting in July might be a good time to raise the topic.

*Motion carries: 4-1-1*

### **C. Discussion of “No Outlet” Signage on Cul-de-Sacs**

John Hess introduced himself as the resident who originally brought this topic to the commission’s attention. Would like cul-de-sacs with “No Outlet” signs, but which have bicycle connections to multi-use paths to have “Except Bikes” signs added so bicyclists can know which cul-de-sacs have bicycle connections and which do not. Expressed opposition to signs that are wrong. He can help get volunteers to put the signs up.

*Motion (Mitchell, Gudz): Recommend modification of “No Outlet” signs to include “Except Bicycles” signs where appropriate and explore installation of volunteers or sign installation contractor.*

Brian Mickelson commented that with 400 open work orders, the City does not have the staff availability to do this. However, the City could consider integrating it with the bicycle wayfinding signage project.

*Motion carries unanimously.*

## **7. Commission and Staff Communications**

### **A. Long Range Calendar (subject to change)**

Commission expressed preference for a SACOG presentation.

### **B. Commissioner Announcements**

No announcements.

### **C. Subcommittee Reports / Reports On Meetings Attended / Inter-jurisdictional Bodies / Inter-Commission Liaisons / etc.**

Commissioner Edelman inquired if there will be any meetings scheduled for capital construction project detour planning.

Brian Mickelson responded affirmatively and would be in touch.

## **10. Adjourn**

*Motion (Andrews, Edelman): Adjourn  
Motion carries unanimously.*

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