



Minutes
Bicycling, Transportation, and Street Safety Commission (BTSSC)
Davis Senior Center, Valente Room (646 A Street)
June 13, 2019
5:30 p.m.

Commission Members: Frances Andrews (Vice Chair), 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: Commissioner Vosheva, Councilmember Carson

1. Call to Order & Roll Call

Meeting commenced at 5:33 p.m.

2. Approval of Agenda

Motion (Andrews, Mitchell): Approve agenda.

Motion carries, 4-0.

3. Brief Announcements from Staff and Liaisons

A. Bike/Ped Program Update

Jennifer Donofrio, Bicycle/Pedestrian Coordinator, updated the commission on program activities, including:

- Bike/Ped wayfinding update
- May is Bike Month
- Summer camp bike safety training
- FY 2019/20 Safe Routes to School & Bike/Ped program calendar of events
- Planning for Car-Free October

Commissioner Edelman inquired about participation rates for the Bike Loopalooza during May is Bike Month.

Jennifer Donofrio responded approximately 600 people.

B. Council Liaison(s) Announcements

Mayor Brett Lee shared with the commission that Mace Blvd design revisions are being developed. He referenced the commission Long Range Calendar and that this item will be the

focus of the July BTSSC meeting, to be held at a south Davis location in a neighborhood meeting format.

C. Other Staff Announcements

Commissioner Mitchell commented on safety concerns regarding the Covell/L Street intersection. Stated project needs earlier advance markings for end of bike lane prior to intersection.

4. Public Comment

Trish Price, bicycling advocate requested that the bike/ped wayfinding project include refreshing of the 13-mile bike loop markings.

Steve Tracy commented that L Street needs some tweaks. Referenced bike lane and travel lane widths. Commented that Mace Blvd is a comfortable facility.

Diane Swann commented that the Covell/L Street intersection doesn't work. Referenced personal experiences. Stated City shouldn't approve plans that block bike lanes.

Emily Griswold, Davis Manor resident advocated on behalf of the neighborhood's green streets project. Seeking commission support for project's inclusion in the TIP.

5. Consent Calendar

A. Draft Minutes: May 9, 2019

*Motion (Mitchell, Edelman): Approve with revisions.
Motion carries 5-0.*

6. Regular Items

A. 2019 Transportation Implementation Plan Update: Deliberation of Proposed Projects

Brian Abbanat introduced the item, TIP process, and categories for staff recommendations on commissioner-sponsored proposed projects.

Brief pitches were given for projects for inclusion in the TIP.

Emily Griswold spoke again in support of the Davis Manor Green Streets project, elaborating on the project's purpose and design features.

Commissioner Edelman commented the Davis Manor Green Streets project is not very visionary, but supports adding it to the Deferred list.

*Motion (Mitchell, Gudz): Approve staff recommendations for IDs #1,2,4,5.
Motion carries, 5-0.*

Discussion followed regarding ID #3. Commissioner Edelman proposed revising the project, limiting it to the large bike parking component.

Jennifer Donofrio shared with the commission that new bike lockers will be installed this fall that can accommodate long-tail bicycles.

Brian Abbanat commented that this project probably may not be large enough for TIP inclusion. He also noted that the Train Depot Access Study which recently launched, will evaluate the existing property configuration and site-level changes that are needed to improve access. Suggested raising this topic through that process.

Commissioner Jacobson noted this proposal likely needs more data to support demand for large bike parking that cannot be accommodated by the new larger lockers on the way.

Commissioner Andrews commented the project description is not fully developed.

*Motion (Gudz, Andrews): Approve staff recommendation for ID #3
Motion carries 5-0.*

B. Joint BTSSC/Council Meeting Prep

Brian Abbanat introduced the item, referencing staff report materials from the City Clerk's Office.

Commissioner Gudz started conversation by suggesting the commission present their body of work, including products of former commissioners.

Commissioner Mitchell noted that he reviewed prior joint meeting minutes and that the BTSSC never followed up on the City Council's suggestions.

Commissioner Edelman recommended commissioners meet individually with Council members. Wants to improve communication process and commission visibility within the community. Also thinks an update is needed to the 2016 Street Design Standards and a strong structure to support initiatives such as the Netherlands trip and work with the City's Dutch consultant.

Commissioner Gudz shared thoughts on how the City and/or commission will tackle the General Plan Update and Transportation Element.

Mayor Brett Lee stated the joint meeting purpose is a "check-in" for councilmembers to learn who you are, what you've done, and to see how the commission's work is aligning with City Council goals.

7. Commission and Staff Communications

A. Long Range Calendar

Commissioners agree to add to the Long Range Calendar the following topics:

- Covell Blvd / L Street intersection (September)
- City Council joint meeting debrief (October)
- Review of public comment from last two years (October)
- Traffic calming (TBD)

- Cannery / F Street Undercrossing (TBD)

B. Commissioner Announcements

Commissioner Edelman shared he attended the Unitrans electrification tour. Was impressed with Unitrans' plans for transitioning to an electric bus fleet.

Commissioner Jacobson recommended reading "In the City of Bikes" as suggested by the City's Dutch consultant.

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

No reports.

8. Adjourn

Motion (Edelman, Mitchell): Adjourn meeting.

Motion carries, 5-0.

Meeting adjourned at 7:37 p.m.
