

**CITY OF SAN JOSÉ**  
**BICYCLE AND PEDESTRIAN ADVISORY COMMITTEE**

6:00 P.M., May 11, 2009  
City Hall, 200 E. Santa Clara St, 8th Fl, Room T847  
San José, CA 95113

**MINUTES**

- (a) **Call To Order** – The meeting was called to order at 6:05 pm.

Members Present

Lawrence DeSantis, Chair (arrived 6.45pm)  
Bob Halem  
Rich Silva (for Yolanda Reynolds)  
Marylou Avanzino  
Jana Zavala  
Jill Escher (arrived 6.30pm)  
Charlie Payne  
Amy King

Council Liaison

Councilmember Oliverio

City Staff

John Brazil, DOT

Members Absent

Jim Bell, Vice Chair

- (b) **Approve Order of Business** – Approved.

- (c) **Oral Petitions** – None.

- (d) **Approve Minutes of March 9, 2009**

Motion: Halem moved approval; Zavala seconded. The motion passed 5-0-1 (Halem abstained).

- (e) **Old Business** –

**(1) Airport Area Bike/Ped Accommodation** – Members Avanzino updated the draft letter she prepared to include comments from the committee. Mr. Brazil noted that because this committee officially reports to the Department of Transportation (DOT) Director, the letter should first go to the DOT Director. Mr. Brazil said he'd forward the letter to the DOT Director and report back to the committee on next steps.

**(2) 2009 Bike to Work Day Planning** – Mr. Brazil reported on planned activities and events including: Energizer Station at MLK Library with helmet fitting/distribution, food, drink, bicycling information, and free bike tune-ups. Mr. Brazil reported on three successful city-sponsored "Get Back on Your Bike" noon-time lectures last week. These free public workshops attracted more than 60 members of the public. Member Zavala shared the

Ciclovia web survey she developed, including a half-page flyer that will be distributed on Bike to Work Day.

**(3) Yard Waste/Recycling/Garbage Pickup and Bike Lanes** – Member Avanzino offered to develop a draft flyer for distribution with utility bills. It would remind residents to keep trash, recycling, and yard waste out of bike lanes and shoulders.

Member Escher arrived at the meeting.

**(4) FY08-09 Committee Priorities**

**(i) San Fernando Colored Crosstown Priority Bikeway** – No new information.

**(ii) Ciclovia** – No new information.

**(iii) Coordination of Bike Lane Implementation and Pavement Maintenance** – No new information.

**(5) FY09-10 Committee Priorities** – Members discussed possible committee priorities for fiscal year 2009-2010, which begins July 1, 2009. Ideas from the previous meeting were summarized and new ideas raised at this meeting include: (1) Ciclovia; (2) a second signed Crosstown Bike Route; (3) Safe Routes to School improvements; (4) Bike Friendly Signals and Pavement Markings; (5) pedestrian facility enhancements; (6) education; (7) open streets to pedestrians (e.g. San Fernando); (8) create pedestrian-first policy; (9) trees on arterials; (10) midblock pedestrian crossings on long blocks; (11) bikes yield at stop signs; (12) bulb-outs on San Fernando, 3<sup>rd</sup>, and 4<sup>th</sup> Streets; (13) Wrong-way Bikes Signs pilot project; (14) Member Escher to email ideas; and (15) wider sidewalks for ????

Member deSantis arrived at the meeting.

**(f) New Business**

**(1) FY09-10 Transportation Development Act, Article III (TDA3) Projects**

Mr. Brazil provided an overview of this annual state grant program that funds bicycle and pedestrian projects. He distributed and described the projects recommended by staff for funding in FY09-10. Motion: King moved that BPAC endorse the recommended project list. DeSantis seconded. The motion passed 8-0-0.

**(g) Staff Report** – Mr. Brazil reported on the Get Back on Your Bike seminars; VTA Bicycle Expenditure Plan; and upcoming BPAC call for applications.

**(h) Receive Committee Member Comments** – Member Payne suggested ideas to make meetings run more efficiently. Mr. Escher suggested creating an informal blog for the committee. Member Avanzino ??? asked about the status of the Hwy 880-280 letter to DOT staff.

**(i) Adjourn** – The meeting was adjourned at 7:45 PM.

Next Meeting Date: Tentatively Scheduled for June 9, 2009.