
PETALUMA PEDESTRIAN AND BICYCLE
ADVISORY COMMITTEE
MINUTES

Wednesday December 10, 2008

6:00 – 8:00 P.M.

CONFERENCE ROOM 2

11 English Street, Petaluma, CA 94952

1. ROLL CALL:

Committee: Arras, Asselmeier, Hatheway, Hauswald, Lofroos*, Tarr, Webster, Yetter* Chair
Absent: Barrett
Staff: Scott Duiven, Senior Planner

2. APPROVAL OF MINUTES: Approved minutes of October 8, 2008.

3. PUBLIC COMMENT: The Committee will hear public comments only on matters over which it has jurisdiction. There will be no Committee discussion or action. The Chair will allot no more than five minutes to any individual. If more than three persons wish to speak, their time will be allotted so that the total amount of time allocated to this agenda item will be 15 minutes.

4. OLD BUSINESS:

A) Pedestrian and Bicycle Safety

1) Discussion/Action regarding donation of "Effective Cycling" safety video to Petaluma Public Library (Lofroos)

Purchased two videos for the price of one. PBAC will donate one to the Petaluma Public Library, and Scott Duiven will keep for City records. Possibly show on PCA?

B) Web-Page Information

1) FTP page- Blind directory will contain a series of folders that have 2006-2008 PBAC info.

C) Compliance & Safety (Committee)

1) "Spanglish" brochure was printed and distributed by the SCBC without PBAC's name on it, despite all of PBAC's work on it. PBAC will get 200 copies to distribute- some will go to Boy's and Girl's Club, etc.

D) Committee Procedures

1) Quorum Conditions: Quorum is now 5 people. Sub-committee is now 4 people (or less).

- 2) Conditions of approval & development review completeness - development of new templates

Scott Duiven has input on sub-committee comments. In some cases, comments will not come back to PBAC for approval. All Committee Members should get a copy of the comments after submittal to City Staff. PBAC is forming a sub-committee to review COA templates: Yetter, Lofroos, Asselmeier, and Webster are interested in working with Duiven to reconfigure policy references on COAs. Central Petaluma Specific Plan, General Plan (2025), and River Enhancement and Access Plans are important documents to be incorporated.

In regards to resubmittals of projects, Duiven wants to keep PBAC in the loop as projects move through City process. Committee is looking at completeness/incompleteness issues. PBAC wants to be sure its voice is being heard. This process should help the PBAC track the path of comments and how they affect a project.

- 3) Monthly meetings- discussion/action on amount of meetings per month and meeting time (Committee/Staff)

Meetings are now once a month and held on the 2nd Wednesday. If there is a need for a special meeting, it will take place on the 4th Wednesday. If no quorum is met on the 2nd Wednesday, then a special meeting will be called for the 4th Wednesday.

5. NEW BUSINESS:

- A) Update on Plaza South Frontage Improvements

Applicant is amenable to doing suggested improvements, and providing 10 ft lanes and using assertive signage (as in Boulder, CO)in their Class 1 bike lanes.

- B) Complete Streets (Asselmeier)

In regards to the bike boulevard on 5th St, where will funding come from? Will look into grants, i.e., TLC-Transportation for Livable Communities funds projects that promote alternative modes of transportation.

- C) BTA Grant Application to Fund Lynch Creek Trail Gap Closure

Has been applied for but will take matching funds. TDA has \$156,000, which might grow in the future.

- D) East Washington Street Pedestrian Crossing Project (HSIP Grant)

Project consists of installing overhead lights and a corral for pedestrians/cyclists to better navigate the crossing. Project completion is expected in March/April. Suggested PBAC write a letter to the editor upon completion.

6. APPROVAL OF AGENDA: January 14, 2008

Haystack Landing Project-will take a sub committee to review plans. Old Adobe School: Safe Route to school- has Mayor's and SR2S interest and backing. Think about future "low hanging fruit" projects. River Plan Grants?

Note: The regularly scheduled meeting of December 24, 2008, will be cancelled due to the holiday season.

7. COMMITTEE REPORTS:

A) Council Comment: No comment

B) Parks, Recreation & Music Commission: No comment

C) Planning Commission (Arras)

D) Sonoma County BPAC (Album)

Scott Duiven is on the Sonoma County BPAC. Measure M funding for SR2S is available. SCTA bike workshops: January 20, 2009 - Riding to work; March 24, 2009 - Bike to work; May 19, 2009 - Hauling with your bike. Western Avenue project has been stalled due to environmental issues....red legged frog?

E) Sonoma County Bicycle Coalition (Maunder): No comment

F) Public Works (Staff): Wiseman/Westridge Trails grants have been withdrawn as State removed funding.

8. ADJOURN: 7: 45 PM