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PETALUMA PEDESTRIAN AND BICYCLE  
ADVISORY COMMITTEE  
MINUTES

Wednesday, May 28, 2008  
6:00 – 8:00 P.M.  
CONFERENCE ROOM 2  
11 English Street, Petaluma, CA 94952

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**1. ROLL CALL:**

Committee: Album, Barrett, Choi, Lofroos\*, Tacy, Webster, Yetter  
Staff: Frank Penry, City Traffic Engineer

\* Chair

**2. APPROVAL OF MINUTES:** Minutes of May 14, 2008, were approved.

**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.

**NOTE:** Four Casa Grande HS students observed our meeting for their government class assignment.

**4. OLD BUSINESS:**

A) Bike to Work and School

1) School Awards Vote

The Committee agreed to raise the elementary school competition award from \$75 to \$100 for Corona Creek Elementary School.

2) Report

The Committee approved reimbursements to Committee Member Album (\$189.72) and Committee Member Schuerman Choi (\$49.03). Following payment to Barber Sign (invoice not yet received), PBAC can expect to have around \$500 left over. Committee Member Album reminded members of two awards ceremonies taking place on Friday, May 30: 10:45am at the Casa Grande Leadership Class at 1:15pm at Corona Creek Elementary School.

B) Pedestrian and Bicycle Safety

1) Possible Newspaper Editorial

The subcommittee has not yet met, but Committee Member Tacy has begun a draft document. Committee Member Album volunteered to serve on the subcommittee, too. The subcommittee agreed to meet before the next PBAC meeting.

Committee Member Tacy proposed that Public Works develop a report on improvements they have done, or can do, to make the East Washington Street corridor safer for pedestrians. Frank Penry thought that he might be able to develop a report later in the summer on what is in place.

2) FAQs for Website

a) Weblinks to safety brochures and other educational materials

Some members provided Frank Penry with suggested FAQs. Ideas/suggestions are welcome at any time.

Some members expressed interest in reviving the safety program Committee Member Album did on a countywide level a few years ago. (This involved obtaining bicycle safety material, stuffing them in bags, and distributing to bicycle retailers to include in all new bike purchases.)

**5. NEW BUSINESS:**

A) Summer Meeting Schedule

The Committee decided to continue the current schedule in the event that new projects will need review. If there appear to be no urgent matters, the meeting will be cancelled on the Friday before. Frank Penry and Scott Duiven will alternate as staff liaisons during the summer.

**6. APPROVAL OF AGENDA:** June 11, 2008.

Newspaper editorial subcommittee report, Summer youth presentations

**7. COMMITTEE REPORTS:**

A) Council Comment (Barrett)

A budget meeting was held on May 27 in which the Council approved a \$25,000 grant for the Amgen Tour of California to get Petaluma as a starter city next year.

B) Parks, Recreation & Music Commission (Tarr)

Committee Member Barrett mentioned that an important subject scheduled for the June meeting will be smoking in parks. Committee Webster suggested that smoking be banned in Putnam Plaza due to outdoor dining.

C) Planning Commission (Arras)

No report.

D) Petaluma Development Code Committee (Arras/Barrett/Asselmeier)

No changes affect the Bike/Ped Plan.

E) Sonoma County BPAC (Album)

The County is working on developing cost estimates for 200 proposed projects. Committee Member Album also mentioned that the next Safe Routes to School application is due in mid-July.

F) Sonoma County Bicycle Coalition (Maunder)

Tom reported that SCBC's finances are getting better thanks to the start of three Safe Routes to School contracts: Healthy Eating, Healthy Living, Santa Rosa Police Department bike rodeos, and a SRTS program in Sebastopol involving classroom instruction, bike rodeos, and public outreach. An estimated 3200 bicyclists rode countywide on Bike to Work Day. SCBC has 850 members but are working towards increasing to 1000.

G) Compliance and Safety

No report.

H) Public Works (Penry)

Pedestrian crossing signs will be going up on the crosswalks on Petaluma Boulevard North at Cherry and West Streets.

**8. ADJOURN: 7:30pm**

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**FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS:**

Paula Lane Action Network