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PETALUMA PEDESTRIAN AND BICYCLE  
ADVISORY COMMITTEE  
MINUTES

Wednesday, February 11th, 2009

6:00 – 8:00 P.M.

27 HOWARD ST

Petaluma, CA 94952

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1. **ROLL CALL:**

Committee: Present: Asselmeier, Lofroos\*, Hatheway, Renee, Tarr, Webster  
Absent: Hauswald, Yetter and Arras (joined after start of meeting)

Staff: Scott Duiven, Senior Planner

\* Chair

2. **APPROVAL OF MINUTES:** Minutes of December 10, 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.

Members of the public present: Representatives of the Haystack Mixed-Use Project - Gina Pittler and two others who spoke about the project which is on the agenda for discussion (5A). Also, Jezra Lichter was in attendance; Jezra previously attended a meeting and proposed that the Petaluma City Council should consider using Fifth Street as a bicycle boulevard. Bernie Album was also in attendance.

4. **OLD BUSINESS:** There was no old business.

5. **NEW BUSINESS:**

A) Haystack Mixed-Use Project

Gina Pittler, the project landscape architect, the architect and the site engineer all presented the project which was previously deemed incomplete. The representatives sought the PBAC's support for an amendment to the SMART plan that would help complete the project. This was NOT a formal review.

B) California Complete Streets

Committee Member Asselmeier reported on her research to date for this potential grant source. Her research is in regards to a bike boulevard on Fifth Street as well as other projects in town.

- C) Bike to Work Fundraising  
Committee Member Yetter submitted a letter for review by the PBAC which solicits local support for Petaluma's Bike to Work Day. The Committee engaged in some discussion of Bike To Work Day.
- D) Potential Future Projects/Grant Funding Sources  
Covered in the Staff report below.

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

Include agenda items 5C and 5D from February 11, 2009, as well as the new template for review reports and content for presentation to Recreation, Music and Parks Commission.

7. **COMMITTEE REPORTS:**

- A) Council Comment (Renee)  
As the liaison for this Committee, asked the Committee for suggestions on what to take forward to the Council.
- B) Recreation, Music and Parks Commission (Tarr)  
Committee Member Tarr reported on Quarry Heights - the project has gone forward in connecting to the Rim Trail. A victory for pedestrians!
- C) Planning Commission (Arras)  
None.
- D) Sonoma County BPAC (Bernie Album)  
Bernie Album reported on the Roblar Road gravel mining project and its effect on cyclists. He also reported that Western Avenue improvements have been deferred to 2010 but will be substantial and positive at that time.
- E) Sonoma County Bicycle Coalition (Bernie Album)  
Bernie Album asks if the PBAC will sponsor a Bike Skills Class - the Committee was positive on this point but did not vote.
- F) Public Works (Duiven)  
Planner Duiven reported the Metropolitan Transportation Commission's Regional Bicycle Plan has a new and standardized Bike Count Methodology which will be useful for all PBACs. Scott also shared funding sources. Reported that the enhanced, in-pavement lighting for crosswalks near 7 schools in Petaluma is complete.

8. **ADJOURN:** 7:50pm