

**Virtual Meeting Via Zoom
Monday, March 22, 2021**

CALL TO ORDER

The Bicycle, Pedestrian and Trails Committee Meeting of March 22, 2021 was called to order at 6:45 p.m. by Chairperson Deckert. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

ROLL CALL

Committee Members Present: Chairperson Chuck Deckert, John Houston, Matt Maciel, Todd Nelson, Brandon Pace, Steve Nigro, Sharon Piekarski, and Tejas Prakash.

Committee Members Absent: Dan Schulenberg.

Staff Present: Mike Tassano, City Traffic Engineer; Matt Nelson, Associate Traffic Engineer; Megan Campbell, Associate Planner, Zack Reda, Management Analyst

Agency Representatives: None.

AGENDA AMENDMENTS

None.

MINUTES

1. **Approve regular meeting minutes of January 25, 2021 – item continued to the next schedule BPTC meeting.**

MEETING OPEN TO THE PUBLIC

2. **Introductions/Awards/Recognitions**

None.

3. **Public comment from the audience regarding items not listed on the agenda**

None.

MATTERS BEFORE THE COMMITTEE

4. Strategies and Actions for the Climate Action Plan Update (CAP 2.0)

Associate Planner Campbell reviewed the process to date, existing conditions, regulatory context, CAP 2.0 policy focus and vision, potential actions, and next steps. She announced the community workshop on March 25, 2021, at 5:30 p.m.

In response to Member Houston, Associate Planner Campbell explained the process for scoring priorities. She discussed efforts to include actions in all sectors.

Member Maciel questioned whether 1065, Curb Management Program, fit for the City of Pleasanton and suggested it be a lower priority.

Member Piekarski agreed that 1065 was not a high priority in the short term. She stated it was necessary to reduce traffic at peak times to reduce emissions and suggested business centers be prioritized above parks. She suggested trail completion not be tied to development projects rather the City should take responsibility for the trails network and it should be a high priority.

Chair Deckert stated he was most interested in closing gaps in the trails network.

Member Houston agreed with supporting the Bike and Pedestrian and Trails Master Plans. He questioned the meaning of “support” in 1064. He asked if there were funds or lands to offer for 1082. He discussed filtration of microplastics in municipal water and asked if it was in the plan. Associate Planner Campbell noted filtration of microplastics as a possible additional policy. She agreed that “support” was too vague. Management Analyst Reda discussed policies related to single use plastics.

Member Pace asked which actions were close to the top that did not make the cut and the key items prioritized by the other City groups. Associate Planner Campbell stated partnering with transit agencies to improve access to and from transit was a low priority that the Committee might be interested in elevating. She stated transportation and land use would create the biggest impacts.

Member Pace suggested supporting policies that aligned with the other groups. He advocated for 1082 and asked thoughts of commercial business promoting amenities to help promote commutes to work. Member Maciel discussed 1078 and suggested it be moved down because large companies were already providing amenities. Members Piekarski and Houston disagreed and suggested it be a high priority. Member Nelson discussed a study finding buses infeasible.

Member Houston stated the priorities generally looked great. He discussed difficulties in installing bike racks and disappointed in the amount of land for high school parking. He suggested encouraging walking and biking to schools, increasing safety and a no idling campaign. He further suggested advertisement of increased safety to encourage

walking and biking to school. City Traffic Engineer Tassano stated 1184 somewhat related but had a lower priority score. Associate Planner Campbell suggested expanding 1184 to include education and outreach campaigns. Member Piekarski suggested the School Districts include bicycle safety in PE classes. Member Houston agreed 1180 should be a low priority and questioned how to encourage residents walk/bike in Downtown and how to pedestrianize Main Street.

Associate Planner Campbell asked for input on ways to encourage people to get out of their cars. The Committee responded suggesting campaigns on how to bike safely and awareness of biking opportunities; citing the need for connectivity without crossing major roads, and limited participation due to convenience and lack of time due to compacted schedules.

Member Maciel discussed 1184 and suggested encouraging sports teams to carpool.

Member Piekarski noted that biking was often similar in time to driving.

Member Houston stated there were eight items on the list and asked if the low priority item should be elevated. He suggested encouraging the use of local transportation. Associate Planner Campbell stated the quantity of actions would be determined following the cost benefit analysis.

Member Piekarski suggested improving access to transit which tied into trails and complete streets.

COMMUNICATIONS

None.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

5. Updates from the Parks and Recreation Commission

Chair Decker discussed the March 11, 2021 Parks and Recreation Commission meeting at which the Commission recommended replacing a tennis court at Valley Avenue as a pickle ball court; amended the agreement with Lifetime to add management of the bocce ball program; reviewed Climate Action Plan 2.0; and added a contract with Monte Vista Memorial and amended the fee structure for the cemetery.

6. Updates from Project/Program/Agency Representatives

Member Piekarski discussed approval of building a bridge over Dublin Boulevard and the Iron Horse Trail. City Traffic Engineer stated they were having funding issues and he would report back.

Member Piekarski discussed the bike lanes on southbound Santa Rita and expressed concern with the parking spaces at Amador Park. City Traffic Engineer Tassano stated there were no immediate plans to remove parking.

In response to Member Piekarski, Associate Traffic Engineer Nelson stated the West Las Positas Road project was delayed in being presented to Council due to efforts to determine funding for a more permanent structure at buildout.

7. **Other brief reports on any meetings, conferences, and/or seminars attended by the Committee members**

None.

COMMITTEE COMMENTS

None.

STAFF COMMENTS

City Traffic Engineer Tassano stated the Two-Year Work Plan would be presented to Council on April 28, 2021.

ADJOURNMENT

Chairperson Deckert adjourned the meeting at 8:02 p.m.