

MEMORANDUM

DATE: May 19, 2020

TO: Christine Daniel, City Manager

FROM: Jaclyn Harr, Bicycle/Pedestrian Advisory Committee

SUBJECT: The Bicycle/Pedestrian Advisory Committee (BPAC)'s Annual Report

On Committee Goals, Principles And Accomplishments For Calendar Year 2019; And Proposed Committee Priorities For Calendar Year

2020

COMMITTEE GOALS AND PRINCIPLES

Work with City Council and city staff to improve access, infrastructure, and safety for people who ride a bike or walk in Emeryville.

ACCOMPLISHMENTS FOR CALENDAR YEAR 2019

- <u>Summer 2019 Emeryville Walking Tour:</u> engaged the city's residents in walking in some more challenging pedestrian areas (e.g. Christie/Powell intersection) and solicited feedback on priorities and needs for pedestrian infrastructure & safety.
- <u>Feedback on San Pablo Avenue Multimodal Corridor Design:</u> provided feedback (including Bike East Bay's letter) to ACTC staff on critical improvements necessary to make San Pablo friendly to transit, cyclists, and pedestrians.
- <u>Feedback on Onni Project:</u> provided critical feedback on how to ensure the Onni Project design and development centered on cyclists, pedestrians, and transit users to support the use of non-car means of transit within and through Emeryville.
- Engagement on Ashby Interchange Project: as a group and through individual BPAC member efforts, BPAC has been involved in the planning for the Ashby Interchange Project in an effort to improve connectivity for cyclists and pedestrians on the north side of the city.
- 40th Street Bicycle and Transit Recommendations: BPAC provided city staff with extensive feedback on proposed upgrades to 40th Street, with the result of, among other things, a proposed two-way cycle track and transit-only lanes.

TOP PRIORITIES FOR CALENDAR YEAR 2020

- <u>Emeryville Problem Areas:</u> Continue to identify problem areas for cyclists and pedestrians in terms of safety and ease of access and propose solutions.
- <u>Education for Citizens</u>: identify educational and informational barriers for increased pedestrian and cycle access in Emeryville and propose solutions with the goal of encouraging more biking and walking within the city.
- <u>Powell/Christie Corridor Area Plan</u>: Continue to track bike and ped developments in this area of the city, including the SafeTrec study.

- <u>Update City Planning Guidelines:</u> review city planning guidelines regarding requirements impacting pedestrian and cyclists both during the construction and completion phase of a project and update as needed.
- <u>Neighboring Cities Outreach</u>: collaborate with bicycle and pedestrian/ transportation committees in Berkeley and Oakland to increase regional interconnectivity via active or public transportation.
- <u>Emeryville Vision Zero</u>: work towards a Vision Zero plan for people walking or biking in the city of Emeryville. This includes no fatalities or disabling injuries.
- Summer 2020 Emeryville Tour: host a focused Bike Tour to engage residents and visitors to the City that don't currently participate on the BPAC committee and solicit feedback on their identified areas of concern.
- <u>Safety at Key Intersections in Emeryville</u>: evaluate the opportunities to expand city park or parklet spaces while improving pedestrian and bicycle safety at key intersections in Emeryville where dangerous car traffic has been observed.
- Reduction in Car Traffic through Emeryville: identify key areas of car traffic through Emeryville which reduce the ability of residents to comfortably bike or walk in the city and evaluate potential solutions.

First Highlighted Priority

<u>Education for Citizens</u>: identify educational and informational barriers for increased pedestrian and cycle access in Emeryville and propose solutions with the goal of encouraging more biking and walking within the city.

Second Highlighted Priority

<u>Update City Planning Guidelines:</u> review city planning guidelines regarding requirements impacting pedestrian and cyclists both during the construction and completion phase of a project and update as needed.

CONCLUSION

Our goal is to increase the quality of life for visitors, employees and residents in the city of Emeryville. People walking, biking and riding transit should be able to safely and quickly move about the city regardless of age, physical ability, race, sex, gender, sexual orientation, religion, national origin, or immigration status.

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APPROVED AND FORWARDED TO THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF EMERYVILLE:

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