

PEDESTRIAN AND BICYCLE ADVISORY COMMITTEE (PBAC)

Meeting Minutes for Wednesday, November 8, 2023

Location: Dairy Room at Sports Basement-Presidio, 610 Old Mason Street, San Francisco, CA 94129

Members Present: Parker Day, Candy Doran, Dan Federman, Kevin Gammon, James Grady, Sasha Madfes, Charles Metzler, Susan Nawbary, David Pilpel, Ray Scherck, Warren Wells

Members Absent: David Alexander, Phoebe Ford, Timothy Hunter

District Staff Present: David Rivera, Deputy General Manager, Bridge Division; Josh Widmann, Associate Planner; Roberta Regan, Administrative Assistant, Planning Department

Guests Present: Michael Jones, Michael Jones Consulting



1. **Roll Call/Introductions.** Sasha Madfes called the meeting to order at 5:06 p.m. A quorum of members was present. The committee and staff introduced themselves.
2. **Consent Calendar.**
Approval of Minutes from the September 27, 2023 Meeting. David Pilpel moved to approve the minutes with minor edits. Warren Wells provided a second. Members unanimously approved the revised meeting minutes of September 27, 2023.
3. **Committee Business.**
 - a. **Follow-Up Questions from September 27, 2023 Meeting.** Josh Widmann and David Rivera led this discussion. The following questions/issues were addressed:
 - i. **Bike Storage on Catamarans.** Josh Widmann stated that bike capacity on the M.V. *Del Norte* is 120 bicycles on the lower deck when used for Sausalito service; on the upper deck all catamarans will hold 30 bicycles.
 - ii. **Bike storage on Tiburon dock.** Bike storage is available landside at Tiburon but is not under the District's jurisdiction. The District owns the dock but leases the land underneath the dock.
 - iii. **Bridge sergeant phone number.** David Rivera provided the sergeant's number as 415-923-2230 or -2220. This office monitors calls 24/7.
 - iv. **Alexander Avenue Repaving Timeline.** Josh Widmann commented that the District's Adopted 2023-24 Budget Book states that the repaving project will begin in 2025, while the larger second phase improvement project would begin in 2026 or 2027. David Rivera said he would follow up with more information at the next meeting.
 - b. **Finalize PBAC Wayfinding Signage Recommendations.** Warren Wells recited his draft letter of the Wayfinding Signage Recommendations. Sasha Madfes and Candy Doran both remarked that the draft letter was excellent. With minor edits, the committee voted to authorize sending the letter to the Board. Josh Widmann stated that he would follow up with David Rivera to implement this action.

- c. **East Sidewalk Pavement Markings.** Michael Jones presented a PowerPoint, showing the north and south access points for pedestrians/bicycles; space issues on bicycles and pedestrians sharing the East Sidewalk; and the various current markings on the East sidewalk pavement. Discussion followed.
 - d. **Recent Bicycle and Pedestrian Issues/Observations.**
 - Susan Nawbary commented on the design of the access road on the west side of the bridge, and how a concrete pillar in the middle of the road could cause a conflict.
 - Warren Wells suggested an automatic bicycle/pedestrian counter on the bridge. David Rivera said he would research this.
 - Charles Metzler stated, as others have, the need for green paint to designate the bicycle lane on the East sidewalk. Parker Day stated the same recommendation.
 - e. **Outreach for Vacant PBAC Spot.** There was a brief discussion on possible candidates among committee members, due to Jon Herman's recent departure from PBAC. Josh Widmann told the committee to tell interested parties to request an application via the PAC mailbox at pac@goldengate.org.
 - f. **Finalize 2024 Calendar.** After a brief discussion led by Josh Widmann, the committee agreed to move meetings to the second Wednesday night of selected months. The committee voted and the following schedule of meetings was approved:
 - February 7
 - April 10
 - June 12
 - August 14
 - October 9
4. **Public Comment.** None.
5. **Adjournment.** Sasha Madfes adjourned the November 8, 2023 meeting of the Pedestrian and Bicycle Advisory Committee at 6:18 p.m.

The next meeting of the Pedestrian and Bicycle Advisory Committee will take place on Wednesday, February 7, 2024, at 5:00 p.m. The location will be communicated to members by email and posted on the District's website.