

City of San Rafael
Bicycle and Pedestrian Advisory Committee (BPAC)
Tuesday February 1, 2022 at 6:00 p.m.
Virtual Meeting via Zoom

Minutes

Present: Chair Hagerty
Member Bergman
Member Mooney
Member Powers
Member Solomon
Alternate Member Coyne

Absent: Member Allison

1. Call to Order

Chair Hagerty called the meeting to order at 6:01 pm.

2. Approval of meeting minutes

Minutes for regular December 1, 2021 meeting approved.

3. Public Comments for Items not on Agenda

Warren Wells commented about the fatal bike crash on Sir Francis Drake. Mentioned National Roadway Safety Strategy

Craig Murray commented about Safe Routes to School and the need to complete the goat path on the south side of the Civic Center SMART station

4. Ad-hoc Committee Updates

- a. Member Mooney provided an update on the North-South Greenway projects.
Vista Point: It looks like the GGB National Park is hoping to move forward with the Vista Point Trail in 2023.
Corte Madera Creek Bridge: Progress continues on the Corte Madera Creek bridge. It's 5 months behind schedule due to unmapped utilities they discovered during construction, but it should open late spring/early summer.
SMART: Both the lawsuit that SMART is facing and the City of Novato over the Costo project are still unresolved, so neither the McInnis to Smith Ranch Road nor the Rowland Blvd projects will continue until those are resolved.
- b. Vision Zero committee provided updates that there is movement nationally and regionally to encourage Vision Zero initiatives

Chair Hagerty invited public comment.

Speakers: Jean Severinghaus

5. North-South Greenway Puerto Suello Gap Closure

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Bill Gamlen, SMART and Ernest Klock, Zoon Engineering presented different alignments for the gap closure project from the MUP at N San Pedro to the Puerto Suello Path at the top of Lincoln Avenue. One would go down Merrydale and connect at N San Pedro and one would switch back down a SMART or Caltrans owned hill and connect at Pilgrim Way. Member Solomon wanted clarification on the scoring criteria. Member Hagerty wanted to know the time frame and when this would be brought back to the SMART board with the City recommendations. Chair Powers had concerns about the slopes and is not sure how the Pilgrim Way alignment ended up in the Bike and Pedestrian Master Plan. Member Mooney asked if stair would be included with the switch backs and said that user experience should be more than 35%. Alternate Member Coyne commented that an 8 foot path is too narrow and it should be a 12 foot path. Member Bergman wanted to know what the public process would be for this project.

Chair Hagerty invited public comment.

Speakers: Matt Hartzell, Jean Severinghaus, Warren Wells, Craig Murray, Patrick Siedler

6. Grant Updates

Lauren provided an update to the group that the City is underway with a Canal Community Based Transportation Plan (CBTP) which will open up funding opportunities down the road. The City will apply for at least one ATP grant, the Canal Swing bridge.

7. Future Items

Request for traffic calming policy, transit center update, and Mission to Second gap closure

8. Adjournment

Chair Hagerty adjourned the meeting at 7:43 pm.

Approved this 6th day of April 2022

Lauren J Davini

Lauren Davini, Staff Liaison