

CITIZENS BICYCLE SAFETY COMMITTEE
DRAFT MEETING MINUTES
April 2, 2012

1. WELCOME/CALL THE MEETING TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order at 4:30

2. ROLL CALL AND SELF-INTRODUCTIONS

Committee Members Present – Mayor/Chair Gardner, Michael Alti, Lou Cohen, Robert Kahn, Denis LaBonge, Sean Matsler, Frank Peters, Tony Petros

Committee Members Absent – N/A

City Staff – Brad Sommers, Lt. Jeff Lu

3. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Minutes of the previous meeting were approved, with the addition of a request for accident data from the police.

4. CURRENT BUSINESS

- A. Current/planned project update—Staff will look for opportunities to incorporate bike facilities within planned roadway projects. Bike lanes are being added to the spur streets around Newport Center Drive as part of a planned roadway project. Jamboree at PCH will received bike improvements as part of the traffic signal rehabilitation project but improvements are not planned for Caltrans section.
- B. Funding—the city will send a letter to support regional bicycle facility funding to OCTA. Staff is preparing applications for OCTA BCI grant. Projects include striping/signage improvements along Jamboree Rd, Bison Ave and Ford Road and Eastbluff Dr. Staff was asked to review Our Lady Queen of Angels construction conditions for bicycle facilities. Measure M funds have been applied for to improve to the Coast Hwy at Newport Boulevard intersection and the Newport Boulevard from Via Lido to 30th Street corridor, including bike striping/signage.
- C. Newport Coast Drive/SR 73—staff presented a prior proposal to create a bike passage to encourage bikes to cross at an angle that provides better visibility. After discussion the committee encouraged staff to pursue the plan with Caltrans.
- D. Bicycle Racks—Staff will come back to the committee at June meeting with suggestions for locations based on the list provided.

- E. Committee Field Trip to Long Beach—Nancy will ask the city attorney about Brown Act restrictions and liability concerns and get back to Mr. Peters.
- F. Safety Update—Lt. Lu reported accidents involving bikes are trending down. Mr. Kahn requested staff track and report bicycle-related accidents to determine priority locations.

5. Public Comment

- A. Mr. Alti researched Google maps and found that there was a lot of information on bike paths for the city. Safe routes were emphasized.

6. Items for future agendas

- A. Focus areas and sharrows will be discussed at the next meeting. Review of priority school locations will be held off for a future meeting.

7. Set the next meeting

The next meeting was set for May 7, 2012.

8. Adjourn

The meeting was adjourned at 5:30 pm.