



THE CITY OF
NOVATO
CALIFORNIA

REGULAR MEETING
MINUTES
BICYCLE/PEDESTRIAN ADVISORY COMMITTEE

Wednesday, January 10, 2018 - 7:00PM
922 Machin Ave
Baget Conference Room-2nd Floor

A. Call to Order

The meeting was called to order at 7:02pm

Committee Members: Mark Birnbaum, Nestor Schnasse, Burt Greenspan, Hank Ryan, Mark Vanderscoff, Nancy Wein

Absent: James McKenzie

Staff: Petr Skala

Public: Stan Dennison, Anna Dennison

B. Approval of Final Agenda

M/S Birnbaum/Greenspan All in favor 6-0-1, Mark Birnbaum, Nestor Schnasse, Burt Greenspan, Hank Ryan, Mark Vanderscoff, Nancy Wein (James McKenzie absent)

C. Public Comment

(Anyone wishing to speak on non-agenda items will be recognized at this time. These items can Legally have no action as they are not on the agenda. There is a three minute time limit).

D. Committee Organizational Items

D-1-Approval of November 8, 2017 Meeting Minutes.

M/S Ryan/Greenspan All in favor 6-0-1, Mark Birnbaum, Nestor Schnasse, Burt Greenspan, Hank Ryan, Mark Vanderscoff, Nancy Wein (James McKenzie absent)

E. Committee Reports

F. Staff Reports

Petr gave committee members and update on the projects listed below.

F-1 – McDonald Alley – Pavement Rehabilitation - Completed.

*F-2 – Pedestrian Access to Transit & Crosswalk Improvements, CIP No.18-002
(Contract Awarded - City Council Meeting – December 5, 2017).*

F-3 - Vineyard Road Improvements, CIP No. 15-017 – Design Development.

F-4 - Grant Avenue Bridge Rehabilitation Project, CIP No. 09-003 – Design Development.

*F-5 – North Redwood / San Marin SMART Striping & Signing – To be included with F-2
(Change Order)*

F-6 – Miwok Park Slide Repairs – Preconstruction Phase.

G. General Business

(Anyone wishing to speak on agenda items will be recognized after the Committee has concluded Their initial discussions. There is a three minute time limit for public comment per item.)

<i>Approximate Time</i>	<i>Item/Attachments</i>	<i>Purpose and Actions</i>
10 minutes	G-1: Crosswalk on Novato Blvd. @ Estates Drive. Discussion about possible enhancements. Requested by Consulting Traffic Engineer – Mary Jo Young	<i>Committee discussion. Receive recommendation. No action.</i>
<p>After a brief discussion and review of the location, Nestor made a motion to recommend that this intersection be added to the priority list for improvements. M/S Schnasse/Greenspan All in favor 6-0-1, Mark Birnbaum, Nestor Schnasse, Burt Greenspan, Hank Ryan, Mark Vanderscoff, Nancy Wein (James McKenzie absent)</p>		
10 minutes	G-2: Crossing on 7th Street @ Carmel Drive. Discussion about possible enhancements. Requested by Resident – Stan Dennison	<i>Committee discussion. Receive recommendation. No action.</i>
<p>Resident Stan Dennison attended the committee meeting to discuss his concerns with increased traffic on Carmel. City staff will present the gathered info to the City Engineer for review. Suggestions for improvements or upgrades will be added to the priority list. Burt made a motion for the committee as a whole to support this request. M/S Greenspan/ Ryan All in favor 6-0-1, Mark Birnbaum, Nestor Schnasse, Burt Greenspan, Hank Ryan, Mark Vanderscoff, Nancy Wein (James McKenzie absent)</p>		
15 minutes	G-3: Marin County Bicycle/Pedestrian Master Plan update released for comment (January 12, 2018) http://walkbikemarin.org/resource_library_policies.php Caltrans District 4 Bicycle Plan (December 22, 2017) http://www.dot.ca.gov/d4/bikeplan/	<i>Committee discussion. Receive recommendation. No action</i>
<p>Petr sought feedback from the committee for a couple of plans including the Marin County Bicycle/Pedestrian Master Plan and the Caltrans District 4 Bicycle Plan, by providing links to visit the specific sites where they could review and send in comments. It is now, too late for Caltrans which closed on Dec 22. County deadline is January 12. No feedback was provided.</p>		
5 minutes	G-4: Proposal for Joint Meeting B/PAC @ Novato Safe Routes to Schools task force. March 14, 2018	<i>Committee discussion. Receive recommendation. No action.</i>

There was a discussion about how to best move forward with the 2 committees; can the meetings be combined? If so, should it be on a quarterly, or on a once a year basis? Next meeting on March 14, will be a joint meeting. Hank Ryan commented that the Safe Routes task force would like the kids riding or walking to school. B/PAC and Novato Safe Routes to Schools task force have some overlapping discussion topics and determination needs to be made how to best communicate between the two. Overall feeling was that the meetings should not be combined on a regular basis as they could be counterproductive. B/PAC is proposing for Safe Routes task force to provide an item(s) to be included on the agenda for discussion and have a representative attend if needed. Out of 6 meetings a year, one will be joint and the others will have item(s) on the agenda that Safe Routes has requested.

5 minutes	G-5: Confirm next meeting date. (Wednesday March 14, 2018).	<i>Receive recommendation. Action.</i>
<p>The next meeting date of March 14, was confirmed. M/S Greenspan/Birnbaum All in favor 6-0-1, Mark Birnbaum, Nestor Schnasse, Burt Greenspan, Hank Ryan, Mark Vanderscoff, Nancy Wein (James McKenzie absent).</p>		

H. Adjournment

Meeting was adjourned at 8:12pm