



THE CITY OF
NOVATO
CALIFORNIA

REGULAR MEETING

BICYCLE/PEDESTRIAN ADVISORY COMMITTEE MINUTES

Wednesday, July 10, 2019 - 7:00PM
922 Machin Ave
Baget Conference Room-2nd Floor

A. Call to Order meeting was called to order at 7:05pm

Committee: Burt Greenspan, Joakim Osthus, Mark Vanderscoff, Mark Birnbaum, Jack Gedney
Staff: Petr Skala

Absent: Nancy Wein, Nestor Schnasse

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B. Approval of Final Agenda

M/S Greenspan/Gedney All in favor, 5-0-2, Burt Greenspan, Jack Gedney, Joakim Osthus, Mark Vanderscoff, Mark Birnbaum

Absent: Nancy Wein, Nestor Schnasse

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 May 8, 2019 Meeting Minutes.

M/S Birnbaum/Greenspan All in favor, 5-0-2, Burt Greenspan, Jack Gedney, Joakim Osthus, Mark Vanderscoff, Mark Birnbaum

Absent: Nancy Wein, Nestor Schnasse

E. Committee Reports

F. Staff Reports

F-1 – Capital Improvement Program (CIP) Projects Update

F-2 – Project Information is Available at:

<http://novato.org/government/public-works/public-works-projects>

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>
25 minutes	G-1: Bike Index: https://bikeindex.org Bike registration – to encourage people to register their bikes with this service. Presentation. Initiated by B/PAC member – Mark Birnbaum	<i>Committee discussion.</i> <i>No Action.</i>
Mark Birnbaum spoke about the bike index which is an online tool that you can use if your bike gets stolen as it can help you track it. Mark is not entirely sure of all the specifics or if there is a fee, or a wider recovery network. You can register with the local PD, but that may not help recover if it is not found locally. This topic can be added to next agenda after Mark has had an opportunity to gather more information.		
10 minutes	G-2: Grant Application Initiated by City engineering – Gosia Woodfin	<i>Committee discussion.</i> <i>Receive recommendation.</i> <i>No Action.</i>
TAM has issued a multi fund call for projects with: 1. Transportation Fund for Clean Air (TFCA) and 2. Transportation Development Act (TDA) Article 3 funding. One of the project types that are eligible for TFCA funds is: Implementation of bicycle facility improvement projects that are included and adopted countywide bicycle plan or congestion management program. The city would like to use the opportunity and apply for this Multi-Fund to replace an existing pedestrian path with a multi-use path (Class I Bikeway) along the north side of Novato Blvd. between San Marin Dr. and Dwarf Oak Trail. The existing 4’ wide asphalt path is heavily used and in very bad condition. If it moves forward, the projects plans can be brought back to BPAC for review if applicable.		
15 minutes	G-3: Future Topics <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • to develop a rough timeline and workflow for BPAC’s role in any upcoming revision of the bike/ped plan; • discuss whether bike/ped routes might have any practical place in an evacuation plan the City might develop in the future; • discuss ideas for BPAC to play some public education role in an event in 2019, if possible, and the 2020 Tour of Novato; and • discuss whether we’d like to meet monthly or keep the current schedule and consider some mechanism for calling interim meetings when needed. Initiated by B/PAC Chairman – Nestor R. Schnasse	<i>Committee discussion.</i> <i>No Action.</i>
Petr discussed some issues brought up by Nestor Schnasse. They included developing a timeline and workflow for bike ped plan revisions. This process should start soon, as the current plan is about 5 years old and should be updated before it becomes obsolete. The ideas listed can be discussed later in more detail after there is an opportunity to give them some thought.		

5 minutes	G-4: Confirm next meeting date. (Wednesday September 11, 2019).	<i>Receive recommendation. Action.</i>
Meeting date of September 11, was confirmed.		

H. Adjournment

Meeting was adjourned at 8:15pm