



Public

TRANSPORTATION and INFRASTRUCTURE COMMISSION REGULAR MEETING AGENDA

Thursday, March 16th, 2023, 7:00 pm

Mission: The Berkeley City Council established this Transportation and Infrastructure Commission to advise the City Council on matters related to transportation and public works infrastructure policies, facilities, and services in the City. In addition, the commission functions as the City of Berkeley's Bicycle and Pedestrian Advisory Committee (BPAC).

**South Berkeley Senior Center
2939 Ellis Street
Berkeley, CA, 94703**

A. PRELIMINARY BUSINESS

1. Call to order
2. Roll call
3. Public comment on items not on the agenda
4. Approval of minutes from February 16th, 2023
5. Approval and Order of Agenda
6. Update on administration and staff
7. Announcements

B. DISCUSSION/ACTION ITEMS

* Written material included in packet

** Written material to be delivered at meeting

The public may speak at the beginning of any item.

1. TIC 2023 Work Plan;

Commissioners

Continue to draft 2023 work plan.

Possible actions: Adopt 2023 work plan; Create subcommittees and assign members; Appoint liaisons.

2. Elect replacement backup speaker for April City Council Meeting on West Hopkins item

Commissioners

Action requested.

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C. INFORMATION ITEMS AND SUBCOMMITTEE REPORTS

Information items can be moved to Discussion or Action by majority vote of the TIC

1. Subcommittee reports & assignments: verbal reports from subcommittees
2. TIC Mission Statement (enclosed)
3. Public Works' [Top Goals and Projects](#) and [progress report](#)
4. Council Summary Actions 2022*
5. [Link to Council and Committee Agendas and Minutes](#)

D. COMMUNICATIONS

E. FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS


F. ADJOURNMENT 9:30 pm

Agenda Posted: March 10th, 2023

The next meeting of the Transportation and Infrastructure Commission is scheduled for Thursday, April 20th, 2023 at 7:00 pm.

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TRANSPORTATION and INFRASTRUCTURE COMMISSION REGULAR MEETING DRAFT MINUTES

Thursday, February 16th, 2023, 7:00 pm

A. PRELIMINARY BUSINESS

1. Call to order

The meeting was called to order by Chair Parolek at 7:04 pm.

2. Roll call

Commissioners Present: Noelani Fixler, Barnali Ghosh, Adrian Leung, Liza Lutzker, Bryce Nesbitt, Karen Parolek, Rick Raffanti, Ray Yep, Kim Walton (arrived at 7:30 pm)

Staff Present: Liam Garland, Farid Javandel, Srinivas Muktevi, Noah Budnick

3. Public comment on items not on the agenda

2 public comments

4. Approval of minutes from regular meeting on January 19th, 2023

7:13 Action: It was Moved / Seconded (Yep / Lutzker) to approve the minutes with the following addition to the T1 Update agenda item, carried:

Joe Enke (Public Works' Manager or Engineering) and Scott Ferris (Director of Parks, Recreation & Waterfront) provided an informational presentation on the \$3.3 - 4.6 million funding gap for phase 2 T1 projects and received commissioners' comments. No action.

Ayes: Parolek, Leung, Lutzker, Fixler, Ghosh, Nesbitt, Raffanti, Yep

Noes: None

Abstain: None

Absent: Walton

Motion passed 8-0-0-1

5. Update on administration and staff

Secretary Javandel (Public Works Deputy Director) provided updates on the following: staff vacancies and recruiting, the Gilman I-80 interchange project and the Hopkins Corridor plan. He answered Commissioners' questions about pedestrian crossings, BerkDOT, the City's Traffic Safety Working Group and parking garage pricing. No action.

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B. DISCUSSION / ACTION ITEMS

1. T1 Update: Funding shortfalls and resulting adjustments needed (follow up from January meeting)

Public Works Direct Garland briefed the Commission on the direction City Council provided to staff at their January 31, 2023 meeting and said that he is not seeking action or input from the Commission tonight but would welcome it. No action.

2. TIC Chair and Vice-Chair Nominations and Elections

8:22 pm Action: It was Moved / Seconded (Yep / Walton) to nominate Karen Parolek as Commission Chair.

8:24 pm Action: It was Moved / Seconded (Lutzker / Parolek) to nominate Noelani Fixler as Commission Vice Chair.

1 public comment

8:28 pm Action: It was Moved / Seconded (Yep / Ghosh) to close nominations and vote to elect Karen Parolek as Chair and Noelani Fixler as Vice Chair.

Ayes: Parolek, Leung, Lutzker, Fixler, Ghosh, Nesbitt, Raffanti, Walton, Yep

Noes: None

Abstain: None

Absent: None

Motion passed 9-0-0-0

3. TIC Mission Statement and 2023 Work Plan* **

Commissioners discussed the Transportation and Infrastructure Commission's mission statement and 2023 work plan. The work plan categories discussed included: Vision 2050, Vision Zero, BerkDOT, Bike Plan update, 5-year paving plan, project review, Council referrals, ACTC/MTC grant proposal review, funding measures implementation review and other topics. The work plan will be brought to the Commission's March meeting for completion.

9:02 pm Action: It was Moved / Seconded (Nesbitt / Yep) to accept the Commission's mission statement as:

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Ayes: Parolek, Leung, Lutzker, Fixler, Ghosh, Nesbitt, Raffanti, Walton, Yep
Noes: None
Abstain: None
Absent: None

Motion passed 9-0-0-0

9:27 pm Action: It was Moved / Seconded (Parolek / Walton) to extend the meeting to 10 pm.

Ayes: Parolek, Leung, Lutzker, Fixler, Ghosh, Nesbitt, Raffanti, Walton, Yep
Noes: None
Abstain: None
Absent: None

Motion passed 9-0-0-0

C. ADJOURNMENT

10:01 pm Action: It was Moved / Seconded (Parolek / Fixler) to close the meeting, passed unanimously.

Ayes: Fixler, Ghosh, Leung, Lutzker, Nesbitt, Parolek, Raffanti, Walton, Yep
Noes: None
Abstain: None
Absent: None

Motion carried 9-0-0-0

Public Present: 5 people at 7:06 pm, 2 people at close
Speakers: 3

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TIC Work Items	Resources	Program Activities	Outputs/Products	Outcomes/Results
Vision 2050	Staff report	<i>Receive updates from Staff; provide guidance or recommendations on approach and policies</i>		
– Asset Management	Liaison to AM committee	Provide a liaison to the City's Asset Management committee. Council approved a Strategic Asset Management Plan and staff is moving towards implementing a full Asset Management Program (AMP).	1. An AMP that includes an asset inventory, condition assessment, level of service, risk assessment, repair/replacement schedule and funding projects. 2. An annual maintenance workplan.	The City's infrastructure systems will be managed to operate reliably throughout their useful life.
– Adaptive Planning	Subcommittee	Define adaptive and integrated planning and how it can be important to Public Works. Consider the organizational requirements and planning processes to be used.	1. A tech memo that defines adaptive and integrated planning. 2. A flowchart describing how adaptive and integrated planning would work. 3. A list of programs that could be integrated.	The City's infrastructure systems will be planned more holistically and there will be fewer retrofits. Also, there will be consideration for future environmental and technology changes.
– Funding	Subcommittee	Provide guidance on proposed funding measures, as well as strategic guidance on what would increase likelihood of success (e.g., project prioritization criteria, project list from that criteria, metrics, and clear accountability measures)	Participate in the preparation of a Program Plan.	Support a potential funding measure in 2024.
Safe & Delightful Access to Opportunities	Subcommittee			
Vision Zero	Staff report Liasion	<i>Provide guidance on proposed policy updates; consider liaison to VZ coordinating committee</i>	Guidance and recommendations to Council	Successful implementation of Vision Zero goals
BerkDOT	Staff report Subcommittee	<i>Receive updates from Staff; provide guidance or recommendations on approach and policies</i>	Guidance and recommendations to Council	Successful implementation of BerkDOT goals
Plan/Policy Review		<i>Provide guidance on proposed policy updates; review for adherence to approved policies</i>		
– Bike Plan Update	Subcommittee: Fixler, Lutzker, Parolek	Provide guidance on proposed policy updates; review for adherence to approved policies	Recommendation to Council	Successful completion of bike plan updates
– 5-year Paving Plan	Subcommittee: Walton, Leung, Yep	Review plan for conformance with paving policy	Recommendation to Council	
– Paving Policy	Subcommittee			
Project Review		<i>When application of policy is in question; other projects can be presented for public and commission information as time allows</i>		

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TIC Work Items	Resources	Program Activities	Outputs/Products	Outcomes/Results
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fill in expected projects for 2023

Council Referrals

fill in priorities for 2023

Other

- ACTC/MTC Grant Proposal Review	Staff presentations and reports	Required: Review ACTC/MTC grant-proposals, as needed	Comments to Staff	Support successful grant funding
- Funding Measures Implementation Review	Staff presentations and reports	Required sometimes: Review implementation of funding measures (T-1, BB, others) for adherence to policies; Review sewer consent decree	Comments to Staff and/or Council	

Commission/Committee/Task	Liaison
Environment & Climate Commission	
Commission on Disability	
Council Policy Committee F.I.T.E.S	
Vision Zero Committee	
AC Transit	
BART	

REFERRAL	TITLE	DETAILS
PRJ0012413	Protected Pedestrian Walkways	Refer to the City Manager and request that the Transportation Commission review and craft potential policy solutions—including but not limited to open or covered protected walkways—to improve pedestrian accessibility immediately surrounding construction or sidewalk upgrades.
PRJ0012444	Reassessing Traffic Calming Policy	Refer to the Transportation Commission to re-evaluate the City's qualifying criteria and ranking and prioritization process for traffic calming, by considering the following possibilities, among other changes that would promote safe residential streets and maximize the public health benefit of the traffic calming program: -Lowering the speed limit criteria to read "where the 85th percentile speed profile is greater than the speed limit" instead of "greater than 5 mph over the speed limit." -Taking alignment with the City's bicycle and pedestrian plans into account.
PRJ0019832	Report on Public Realm Pedestrianization Opportunities	Refer to the Transportation Commission to generate a report on potential public realm pedestrianization opportunities in Berkeley.
PRJ0022389	Oversized Vehicle Restrictions on Bicycle Boulevards	Refer to the Transportation Commission a draft ordinance amending Berkeley Municipal Code Chapter (BMC) 14.56.050 to prohibit commercial trucks exceeding five tons gross vehicle weight from utilizing streets comprising the bicycle boulevards network. Request that the commission work with business associations, the size limitations, the streets subject to the restrictions, and the clarifications added by Councilmember Wengraf related to emergency vehicles.
PRJ0022671	Referral: Measures to Address Traffic Enforcement and Bicycle Safety	1. Refer to the Transportation Commission to consider a Resolution deprioritizing enforcement against the Idaho Stop convention for persons operating a bicycle, in an empty intersection after the operator has yielded to any other road users with the right of way, by limiting the use of any City funds or resources in assisting in the enforcement or issuance of citations for bicyclist violations of California Vehicle Code Section 22450(a), and to develop a process for evaluating the before and after effects on safety.

REFERRAL	TITLE	DETAILS
PRJ0020339	Street Sweeping Improvement Plan	Referral to the City Manager, Public Works commission, and Zero Waste commission to develop a new strategy to ensure that street sweeping is not obstructed by waste/recycling pick-up. In addition to being unsightly, without proper street sweeping, trash and debris are more likely to go into the stormwater drains. Specifically 1. Staff should provide a map of streets in which sweeping days and waste/recycling pickup coincide to better understand where and when this problem occurs; and 2. Staff and Commissions should return to Council with a proposed solution including, but not limited to, rescheduling street sweeping and waste/recycling pickups to ensure that both services do not occur on the same day.
PRJ0012340	Referral to Consider Caregiver Parking in Residential Shared Parking Pilot	Refer to the City Manager and Transportation Commission to consider a pilot program for caregiver parking permits in RPP zones in the goBerkeley Residential Shared Parking Pilot.
PRJ0030831	Discussion on East Bay Paratransit and the Transportation Needs of Berkeleyans with Disabilities	Refer the Disability Commission, the Transportation Commission, and the Commission on Aging to hold a joint public discussion on the use, effectiveness, and accessibility of East Bay Paratransit as well as the transportation needs of the members of our community with disabilities and seniors, and return recommendations to Council.

REFERRAL	TITLE	DETAILS
PRJ0030862	Referral: Develop a Bicycle Lane and Pedestrian Street Improvements Policy	<p>1) Refer to the City Manager to develop a comprehensive ordinance with input from the Public Works & Transportation Commissions governing a Bicycle Lane and Pedestrian Street Improvements Policy that would:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Require simultaneous implementation of recommendations in the City's Bicycle and Pedestrian Plans when City streets are repaved, if one or more of the following conditions are met: • Bicycle Plan recommendations can be implemented using quick-build strategies that accommodate transit operations. • Pedestrian Plan recommendations can be implemented using quick-build strategies that accommodate transit operations. • The Bicycle Plan recommends studying protected bike lanes as part of a Complete Street Corridor Study in the Tier 1 Priority list. • Improvements are necessary to comply with the Americans with Disabilities Act. • Encourage the use of quick builds by expediting quick-build projects under \$1 million. <p>• "Quick-build" is defined as projects that a) require non-permanent features such as bollards/paint/bus boarding islands, b) make up less than 25 percent of the total repaving cost for that street segment, and c) can be a component of a Complete Street Corridor Study that includes evaluation after installation.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Require staff to report progress back to Council every two years. <p>2) Refer to the City Manager to establish a paving pilot program to prioritize bikeways and Vision Zero pedestrian high-injury streets by allocating at least 50 percent of the repaving budget towards such streets, to be implemented from 2022 to 2025 and earlier when feasible. Staff should evaluate the program's success and report back to Council. In developing the program, staff should prioritize improving both safety and the pavement condition index (PCI) city-wide and on bikeways and pedestrian high-injury streets. Moreover, to advance equity, staff should use the project priorities outlined in the Bicycle Plan and forthcoming Pedestrian Plan, together with pavement quality information, to identify the highest-priority bikeways and high-injury street sections for repaving. Both plans incorporate equity factors to prioritize projects. Staff will present the pilot program to the Council for approval prior to implementation.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Bikeways are defined as the street network that the Bicycle Plan recommends for bicycle infrastructure. A map of this street network is shown in Attachment 2. • Vision Zero pedestrian high-injury streets are defined as the streets where a high proportion of severe and fatal pedestrian injuries occur. These streets will be identified in the Pedestrian Master Plan, which staff are currently updating. A draft map of these streets is shown in Attachment 3. <p>3) Finally, refer to the City Manager to draft a revised version of the City's Complete Streets Policy that would clarify that the presence of an existing or planned bikeway parallel to an arterial does not exempt projects along said arterial from bicycle and micromobility improvements under the Policy.</p>

Demand	Recommendations	Lead City Department	Stage	Project	Previous Rank	Project size	Impact	Value	Start date	Number	Meeting Date
Creation and Adoption of a Transit Streets Cooperative Agreement with the Alameda-Contra Costa (AC) Transit DistrictDMND0002592	Refer to the City Manager the Creation and Adoption of a Transit Streets Cooperative Agreement with the Alameda-Contra Costa (AC) Transit District.	Public Works			16	M - Medium	High	Medium		DMND0002592	2017-04-04
Residential Preferential Parking (RPP) Program Expansion for West Berkeley Neighborhoods Within Two Blocks of Commercial CorridorsDMND0004053	Referral to the City Manager to expand the scope of the Residential Preferential Parking (RPP) program as originally proposed by staff during the May 14, 2019 City Council Public Hearing as a way to allow more residents to opt-in to this program.	Public Works				S - Small	Low	Low		DMND0004053	2022-10-11
Consideration of Expansion of Paid Parking to Support the Parking Meter Fund and Improved Pedestrian and Bicycle Facilities DMND0003994	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Refer to the City Manager and the Transportation Commission to consider the extension of paid metered parking to include all days of the week, paralleling the calendar for off-street parking garages. 2. Consider a pilot, phasing-in, and/or exempting certain areas, and conduct broad outreach to merchants, faith-based and other institutions and organizations, neighborhood groups, and others potentially supported or impacted by change. 3. Consider allocation of potential additional revenues to help offset losses to the Parking Meter Fund incurred during COVID. Once the Fund has recovered, consider allocations to support pedestrian and bicycle facilities to help achieve Berkeley's Climate Action and Vision Zero goals on an accelerated basis. 	Public Works				S - Small	Low	Low		DMND0003994	2021-12-14

Referral to the City Manager to Establish a Marina Master Plan for Parking with a Consideration for Establishing a Waterfront Parking Benefits DistrictDMND0003997	<p>Refer to the City Manager and FY 2022-23 June Budget Process to create a Berkeley Marina Master Plan for Parking with a goal of introducing demand-based paid parking in certain areas of the waterfront as appropriate. Further, refer consideration of a Parking Benefits District (PBD) at the waterfront as a means of reinvesting net parking revenues within this area to provide a dedicated funding source for the troubled Marina Fund. Considerations for a Marina Master Plan for Parking should include:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Conducting robust outreach to marina stakeholders in order to gather feedback about parking needs, communicating benefits of establishing a Parking Benefits District to 	Public Works	S - Small	Low	Low	DMND000 3997	2022-01-18
Referral: Establishing an Electric Bike Rebate Program and Expanding Low-Income E-Bike Ownership through the Climate Equity Action FundDMND0004063	<p>Refer to the City Manager to explore the creation of a program to establish a two-tiered point-of-sale rebate program to reduce the up-front cost of electric bicycles and necessary safety and security accessories for Berkeley residents, including: -Rebate Level 1: a point-of-sale rebate to be made available to all City of Berkeley residents; -Rebate Level 2: a point-of-sale rebate that covers a higher percentage of the cost than Rebate Level 1, to be made available to low-income City of Berkeley residents. Refer \$500,000 to the FY 2023 AAO #1 process as follows: - \$400,000 for the point of sale rebate program; -\$100,000 in supplementary funding towards the Climate Equity Action Fund (CEAF) to further facilitate e-bike ownership among low-income Berkeley residents.</p>	Public Works	S - Small	Low	Low	DMND000 4063	2022-11-15

<p>Refer to the City Manager to Establish a Framework for Parking Benefits Districts in the Gilman and Lorin Commercial DistrictsDMND0003998</p>	<p>Refer to the City Manager to create a basic framework for establishing a Parking Benefits District (PBD) in the Gilman and Lorin Commercial Districts. This framework should include:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • A map establishing the boundaries of the Gilman District PBD. Suggested borders of the district should include: (1) on the west, the east side of Eastshore Highway from Page Street to the Albany border; (2) on the north, the Albany border from Eastshore Highway to the east side of San Pablo Avenue; (3) on the east, the east side of San Pablo Avenue from the Albany border to Gilman Street, both sides of Gilman Street from San Pablo Avenue to Kains, and the east side of San Pablo Avenue to the north side 	<p>Public Works</p>	<p>S - Small</p>	<p>Low</p>	<p>Low</p>	<p>DMND0003998</p>	<p>2022-01-18</p>
<p>Referral to the Transportation and Infrastructure Commission and City Manager to Consider and Make Recommendations Regarding the Policy of Deploying Rectangular Rapid Flashing Beacons and Other Treatments at Dangerous or High-Collision Pedestrian and Bicycle IntersectionsDMND0004057</p>	<p>Referral to the Transportation and Infrastructure Commission and City Manager to consider and make recommendations regarding the policy of deploying Rectangular Rapid Flashing Beacon (RRFB) and other treatments at dangerous or high-collision pedestrian and bicycle intersections.</p>	<p>Public Works</p>	<p>S - Small</p>	<p>Low</p>	<p>Low</p>	<p>DMND0004057</p>	<p>2022-10-11</p>

Referral to Implement State Law AB 43 for Reduced Speed Limits on High-Injury Commercial CorridorsDMND0004008	<p>Refer to the City Manager to implement state law AB 43 on High-injury commercial corridors as identified in our Vision Zero Annual Report, 2020-2021 in order to allow a reduction in speed limits by 5 miles per hour; - Any other corridors covered by AB 43, as appropriate, in order to implement reduced prima facie speed limits and identify those corridors for future traffic studies where prima facie limits are presently unsafe.</p> <p>Upon completion of this referral, we note that a budget allocation would be needed in the amount of \$25,000 to \$50,000 for new speed limit signage. Funding will be requested later (likely for the FY 2023-24 budget) in order to allow time for staff to determine the applicable streets for additional signage.</p>	Public Works	S - Small Low Low	DMND000 4008	2022-03-08
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Equitable Safe Streets and Climate Justice ResolutionDMND0004047	<p>Adopt a REVISED resolution committing the expenditure of City and state/federal matching/recurring funds on city-maintained roads, sidewalks, and bike lanes to accelerate safety improvements in a manner consistent with City, State, and Federal policy on street safety, equity, accessibility, and climate change; refer to the City Manager fully integrate Complete Streets design as defined by the NACTO Urban Street Design Guide in the default engineering standard for city streets; restrict city use of the Manual on Uniform Traffic Control Devices (MUTCD) to only documented cases that require its use for compliance with Federal/State regulations; in all other cases, restrict use of the MUTCD to "engineering judgment."</p>	Public Works	S - Small Low Low	DMND000 4047	2022-09-13
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Budget Referral: No Right on Red SignsDMND0004059

Public Works

Refer to the City Manager to develop policy recommendations for council consideration that would expand limitations on "right turns on red" for the purposes of pedestrian safety. Staff should consider prohibiting right turns on red in commercial districts, on high-injury corridors, and/or citywide. Staff should engage the Transportation & Infrastructure Commission for feedback and review of possible recommendations. Staff is also requested to coordinate with AC Transit regarding impacts on transit services. Refer the necessary appropriations of \$135,000 to the 2022 November Annual Appropriations Ordinance.

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Prioritizing Pedestrians at IntersectionsDMND0002584

Public Works

Refer to the City Manager and the Transportation Commission the development of policies to improve the pedestrian crossing experience and reduce pedestrian wait times at intersections with "beg buttons," potentially by activating pedestrian crossing signaling with every cycle (as opposed to the current situation, which only activates crossing signals when a button is pushed). Consider the development of a pedestrian-driven intersection improvement process to address signaling and timing inadequacies.

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<p>Adopt an Ordinance Adding a Chapter 11.62 to the Berkeley Municipal Code to Regulate the Use of Carryout and Produce Bags and Promote the Use of Reusable Bags DMND0004062</p>	<p>1. Adopt an ordinance adding a Chapter 11.62 to the Berkeley Municipal Code to regulate the use of carryout and produce bags and promote the use of reusable bags with a phased enforcement and implementation approach, effective with respect to new charges for bags pursuant to Sections 11.63.040 and 11.63.050 and provisions applicable to the City of Berkeley and City-sponsored events pursuant to Section 11.63.090 on January 1, 2023, and administrative regulations for and all provisions in this ordinance effective June 30, 2023.</p> <p>2. Refer to the City Manager and Public Works to consider a Zero Waste rate modification with an anticipated net-zero impact on General Fund to provide additional staffing capacity consistent with business and</p>	<p>Public Works</p>	<p>S - Small</p>	<p>Low</p>	<p>Low</p>	<p>DMND000 4062</p>	<p>2022-11-15</p>
<p>Referral to Conduct an Automatic Traffic Calming Review for the Area Immediately Surrounding the Project at 1201-1205 San Pablo Avenue DMND0004058</p>	<p>Refer to the City Manager to conduct an automatic traffic calming review for the area immediately surrounding the streets of the project located at 1201-1205 San Pablo Avenue within six (6) months of the building's occupancy reaching 90 percent of its capacity with the intent of expediting the traffic calming process for neighbors impacted by the development of this project. The traffic calming review should include the following intersections: Gilman and Kains; Gilman and Stannage; Harrison and San Pablo; Harrison and Kains; Harrison and Stannage.</p>	<p>Public Works</p>	<p>S - Small</p>	<p>Low</p>	<p>Low</p>	<p>DMND000 4058</p>	<p>2022-11-03</p>

<p>Prioritizing Berkeley Unified School District Public Works Service Requests DMND0003990</p>	<p>Refer to the City Manager to: 1. Work with the Berkeley Unified School District (BUSD) to create a system to better document, communicate, and prioritize Public Works service requests from BUSD schools and facilities; and 2. Establish protocols with BUSD for school principals to coordinate directly with Public Works staff to address school site-related concerns that fall under the City's jurisdiction.</p>	<p>Public Works</p>	<p>S - Small</p>	<p>Low</p>	<p>Low</p>	<p>DMND0003990</p>	<p>2021-11-30</p>
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Plans and Policies related to the TIC's Mission

[General Plan \(2002\)](#)

[- Transportation Element \(2001\)](#)

- Transit-First Policy (General Plan Policy T-4)

[- Disaster Preparedness and Safety Element \(2002\)](#)

[Vision Zero Action Plan \(2019\)](#)

[Climate Action Plan \(2009, 2022 update\)](#)

[Complete Streets Policy \(2012\)](#)

[Pedestrian Plan \(2020\)](#)

[Bicycle Plan \(2017\)](#)

[BeSt Plan \(2016, 2021 update\)](#)

[Age-Friendly Berkeley Action Plan \(2018\)](#)

[Electric Mobility Roadmap \(2020\)](#)

[Berkeley Resilience Strategy \(2016\)](#)

[Green Infrastructure Plan \(2019\)](#)

[Local Hazard Mitigation Plan \(LHMP\) \(2019\)](#)

[Watershed Management Plan \(2012\)](#)

[Municipal Fleet Electrification Plan \(2020\)](#)

Area Plans

[West Berkeley Plan \(1993\)](#)

[South Shattuck Strategic Plan \(1998\)](#)

[Southside Plan \(2011, update in progress\)](#)

[Downtown Area Plan \(2012\)](#)

[Streets and Open Space Improvement Plan \(SOSIP\) \(2013\)](#)

[Marina Master Plan \(2003\)](#)

[University Avenue Strategic Plan \(1996\)](#)

[Waterfront Master Plan \(1986\)](#)



Walk Bike Berkeley

March 7, 2023

To: Alisa Shen, North Berkeley BART developer design team
Cc: Berkeley City Council, Transportation and Infrastructure Commission
Re: **Don't Divert Bikes from the Ohlone Greenway!**

At an on-site meeting at North Berkeley BART on March 5, one member of the developer team said they wanted to divert bicycles from the Ohlone Greenway; they want bicyclists who are using the greenway (rather than going to BART) to go up Virginia St. and then use a two-way bike track on Sacramento to get back to the greenway. He also said erroneously that the Virginia St. Bike Boulevard was the main bike route near the station, implying that the greenway is not an important bike route.

In fact, Berkeley's bicycle plan would make the Ohlone Greenway into one of Berkeley's most important bike routes. The bicycle plan calls for protected bike lanes on Hearst between California and Milvia, which would connect the greenway with the protected bike lanes on Milvia St. and on Hearst Ave. east of Milvia, making it the most convenient and safest bike route connecting downtown and the University campus with all the cities to the north.

BART is planning to improve the greenway between Acton and Virginia Gardens and the city of Berkeley is planning to improve the greenway for bicyclists between Virginia Gardens and Gilman. The proposal to divert bicycles from the greenway on the BART development site is inconsistent with these plans.

The greenway should be designed to protect both pedestrians and bicyclists as it goes through the BART development site. The design should separate pedestrian and bicycle lanes on the greenway (as Albany and El Cerrito do.) And the design of the greenway through the BART development should slow bicyclists, since it will be heavily used by pedestrians there.

But it is totally unacceptable to make it so inconvenient to bicycle through the BART site on the greenway that bicyclists will be forced to divert to Virginia and Sacramento St, making this major regional bike route less effective.

In the developers' preliminary design, the greenway has such extreme meanders as it goes through the development that it would clearly be unusable as a through route for bicycles. This design must be corrected so the greenway protects pedestrian safety while accommodating people both walking and biking.

Thanks,
Charles Siegel, Jackie Erbe, Ben Gerhardstein
for Walk Bike Berkeley

[Walk Bike Berkeley](#), an all-volunteer group founded by Berkeley residents, advocates to make walking and biking in Berkeley safe, low-stress, and fun for people of all ages and abilities. We want a healthy, just, and sustainable transportation system in Berkeley.

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From: Pamela Webster
Sent: Thursday, March 16, 2023 10:13 AM
To: Javandel, Farid <FJavandel@cityofberkeley.info>
Cc: Bartlett, Ben <BBartlett@cityofberkeley.info>; Jung, Kenneth <KJung@cityofberkeley.info>
Subject: Bicycle Boulevard plan

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Dear Mr. Javandel,

I would like to engage with you and the Transportation and Infrastructure Commission regarding the long-term vision for Berkeley's network of bicycle boulevards. As an avid bicyclist and pedestrian, I am very familiar with the current citywide routes. I would like to give specific input regarding bike lane infrastructure within the city's southern district neighborhoods.

I first participated in the public process that recommended a network of seven bicycle boulevards in the 1990's. In my District 3 neighborhood, we identified Russell, Milvia, and California Streets to be included in the initial plan. We participated in work groups to develop a "tool box" of possible solutions for infrastructure improvements.

It has been my pleasure to watch those visions come to fruition in recent years. I am grateful to Berkeley's dedicated staff and commissioners, and for the City Council's support and leadership to fund implementation. I am also proud of the Berkeley voters who passed the necessary bond measures.

Now as you move forward with next stages of planning, I would like to recommend Blake Street be identified as a potential east-west route in the bike boulevard network. It "checks some boxes" in the list of desired criteria for such designation, including close proximity to a main traffic artery, Dwight Way. On the blocks west of Shattuck Avenue, it also is wider than most streets and thus could more easily accommodate bike lanes. Furthermore I would like to focus specific attention on the Blake/Milvia Streets intersection, as newer housing developments and one-way traffic flow will impact pedestrian and bicycle safety there.

I am hoping to attend the commission's March meeting.

Thank you for your attention.

Pam Webster
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On Thu, Mar 16, 2023, 10:48 AM Javandel, Farid <FJavandel@cityofberkeley.info> wrote:

Dear Ms. Webster,

Thank you for your interest in the Bike Boulevard network. This is exactly the sort of thing that can be addressed through the Bike Plan Update process that we hope to complete with year, and which will seek public input and commission involvement. The Bike Plan Update is temporarily on pause while we finish hiring a new staff person to replace the one who was working on this process. If all goes well in the hiring process, we should be resuming the public process this summer.

Best Regards,

Farid

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From: Pamela Webster

Sent: Thursday, March 16, 2023 11:17 AM

To: Javandel, Farid <FJavandel@cityofberkeley.info>

Subject: Re: Bicycle Boulevard plan

Thank you so much for your quick reply.

I hope that you will share my communication with Commission members. In which case it may not be necessary to attend tonight's meeting. However, if you think it worthwhile to speak on this issue during public comment, I will attend.

Best,

Pam Webster

From: Javandel, Farid <FJavandel@cityofberkeley.info>

Sent: Thursday, March 16, 2023 12:24 PM

To: Pamela Webster; Budnick, Noah <NBudnick@cityofberkeley.info>

Subject: Re: Bicycle Boulevard plan

We are happy to share this with the Commissioners so you don't need to attend tonight. You may want to check the Bike Plan web page here in a few months for information on how to participate in public meetings that are yet to be scheduled.

Best Regards,

Farid