



MINUTES
Transportation Commission
Regular Meeting
October 19, 2017

North Berkeley Senior Center
1901 Hearst Avenue (at MLK)
Berkeley, CA

A. PRELIMINARY BUSINESS

1. Call to Order by Chair Thomas at 7:08 PM
2. Roll Call

Commissioners Present: Barnali Ghosh, Beverly Greene, Mark Humbert, Donald Lathbury, Karen Parolek, Ghanya Thomas, Sofia Zander

Commissioners Absent: Anthony Bruzzone (L/A), Ben Gerhardstein (L/A)

Staff Present: Farid Javandel, Hamid Mostowfi, Beth Thomas, Kamala Parks, Tamlyn Bright

Guests: Jeff Evans, HKIT Architects, BUSD
Linda Morris, Sr. Transportation Planner, AC Transit

3. Public Comment on items not on the Agenda
4. Approval of Minutes- Action: It was M/S (Parolek/Zander) to approve the September 21 minutes as written. Ayes: Ghosh, Lathbury, Parolek, Thomas, Zander Noes: None Abstain: Greene Absent: None Motion carried (5-0-1-0)
5. Approval and Order of Agenda
6. Update on Administration/Staff
7. Announcements

B. DISCUSSION/ACTION ITEMS

1. ~~Autonomous Vehicles 101~~- Presentation rescheduled to January
2. **Lunchtime Closure of Ward Street for Longfellow Middle School**

Speakers: 0

Jeff Evans presented Berkeley Unified School District's design proposal to close Ward Street adjacent to Longfellow School two hours a day during school lunch to ensure student safety when travelling to and from their cafeteria.

Action: It was M/S (Greene/Parolek) that the Commission recommend Council approve the proposal to close Ward Street to through traffic with a gate during school lunch, provided that changeable message boards be installed to inform the public of the coming change at least 3 weeks prior to school opening and continue at least 3 weeks after school begins. Ayes: Ghosh, Greene, Lathbury, Parolek, Thomas, Zander Noes: None Abstain: None Absent: None Motion carried (6-0-0-0)

3. **Monthly Transit Coordination Meetings- Verbal Update**

Speakers: 0

No action.

4. **AC Transit Presentation : *Transbay Tomorrow***

Linda Morris gave presentation on the future of Transbay services and responded to questions. The new SF transbay terminal is expected to open in March, 2018.

Speakers: 1

No action.

C. INFORMATION ITEMS AND SUBCOMMITTEE REPORTS

1. Subcommittee Reports (Verbal reports from Bicycle and Pedestrian Subcommittees and Liaisons to PWC, COD, and goBerkeley Advisory Group)
2. Council Summary Actions 2017
3. Link to Council and Agenda Committee Agendas and Minutes:
<http://www.cityofberkeley.info/citycouncil/>

D. COMMUNICATIONS

1. AC Transit Transbay Tomorrow - October Community Meetings Schedule*

The following were received at September 21 meeting; Included in 10/19 Agenda online:

https://www.cityofberkeley.info/Clerk/Commissions/Commissions_Transportation_Commission_Homepage.aspx -:

2. (B3) Educational Flyer: Pedestrian Hybrid Beacon (Fehr & Peers)
3. (B4) Excerpts from Commissioners Manual on Ad Hoc Subcommittees, MTC Resolution 4108, ACTC, and Subcommittee and Liaison Assignments, Updated 9/2017
4. (B2) Bike Share Status Update Slides 9/21/17 Received.

E. FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

Ashby/Hwy 13 Corridor Projects (qtrly)- Nov	Subcom: Ped Hybrid – Hillegass Signal Head design - Nov
TC Work Plan – Prioritize Projects - Nov	Sidewalk Repair Program Policy - Nov
Utility Undergrounding (PWC) – Nov	Subcom. Assignments- ACTC/MTC Review - Nov
Automated Speed Enforcement - Nov	Presentation: Autonomous Vehicles 101 - Jan

F. ADJOURNMENT

It was MSC Unanimous (Parolek / Humbert) to adjourn the meeting at 8:55 PM.

Public Present: 5

Speakers: 2

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