



# **DRAFT MEETING MINUTES**

## **CITY OF SANTA BARBARA**

### **TRANSPORTATION AND CIRCULATION COMMITTEE (TCC)**

**Zoom Webinar**

**Thursday, February 24, 2022, 5:30 P.M.**

**Committee Members:** Kathleen Rodriguez (Chair), Andres Malovos (Vice Chair), Eve Sanford, Susan Horne, Hillary Blackerby, Ian Baucke

**Liaisons:** Mike Jordan (Council Liaison), Jessica Grant (Staff Liaison), Roxana Bonderson (Planning Commission Liaison), J.D. Higgins (Planning Commission Liaison Alternate)

#### **AGENDA**

**CALL TO ORDER:** Chair Kathleen Rodriguez called the meeting to order at 5:31 PM

#### **ROLL CALL:**

##### TCC MEMBERS:

Ian Baucke Present  
Hillary Blackerby Present  
Kathleen Rodriguez (Chair) Present  
Andres Malovos (ViceChair) Present  
Susan Horne Absent  
Eve Sanford Absent

##### ATTENDEES:

Present  
Present  
Present  
Present  
Absent  
Absent

##### CITY STAFF PRESENT:

Clifford M. Maurer, P.E., Public Works Director  
Jessica Grant, Interim Public Works Downtown Manager  
Elizabeth Mason, Administrative Assistant  
Tony Ruggieri, City TV Production Supervisor  
Behdad Gharagozli, Supervising Transportation Engineer  
Chelsey Swanson, Acting Supervising Transportation Planner

##### STAFF LIAISON'S PRESENT

Roxana Bonderson, Planning Commission Liaison

**CHANGES TO THE AGENDA:** None.

#### **PUBLIC COMMENT:**

1. None.

#### **ANNOUNCEMENTS:** (Location on Video: 8:00)

- Committee Member David Collum has stepped down from TCC.
- Ribbon Cutting Event for the Las Positas Modoc Multiuse Path and Arroyo Burro Open Space next week on Thursday, March 3, 2022.
- The next TCC Meeting will hold the election of new Chair and Vice Chair.

#### **CONSENT AGENDA** (Location on video: 10:55)

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2. Approval of Minutes from the October 28, 2021, TCC Meeting, where a TCC quorum was present:

**MOTION:** Committee Member Blackerby moved to approve the minutes from the October 28, 2021 meeting and a second was received by Committee Member Malovos.

Ayes: 4      Noes: 0      Abstain: 0      Absent: 2

**REPORTS:**

1. **400 Block of Anacapa Street – Conversion to Two Way Traffic** (Location on video: 12:35)

**Recommendation:** That the TCC receive a report from Mr. Gharagozli on converting the 400 block of Anacapa Street to a two-way street, and recommend to City Council that the 400 block of Anacapa Street be converted to a two-way street.

**PUBLIC COMMENT:** Julie Bischoff;  
Dean Vanecek.

**MOTION:** Committee Member Blackerby moved to approve the recommendation and a second was received by Committee Member Baucke.

Ayes: 4      Noes: 0      Abstain: 0      Absent: 2

2. **Lower Eastside Community Connectivity Active Transportation Planning Effort** (Location on video: 42:00)

**Recommendation:** That the TCC hear a presentation from Ms. Swanson introducing the Lower Eastside Community Connectivity Active Transportation Planning Effort and recent community engagement.

**PUBLIC COMMENT:** None.

**COMMITTEE COMMENTS:** Chair Rodriguez commented that this project will increase pedestrian access from the Eastside to the Waterfront, and will reduce vehicular traffic. Committee Member Baucke expressed that this is an exciting project, whenever we can make it safer we should. Committee Member Blackerby commented the overcrossing is needed and would be transformative.

**PROGRAM UPDATES:** (Location on video: 1:02)

1. **City's Pilot Bikeshare Program** (Location on video: 1:03) Interim Downtown Planning Manager, Jessica Grant, informed Committee that at Council next Tuesday Staff will be presenting the annual update of this program. We are in year one of three year pilot program. Currently there are 140 Pedal

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Assist Electric bikes in circulation; about 50 Docking Stations; 15,000 Riders; 81,000 Trips; 320,000 Miles rode; and 68% are membership riders. Due to the nationwide chip shortage, additional dock locations are delayed. We are anticipating 65 docks in March and 85 in early April.

2. **Measure A Cycle 5 Grants** (Location on video: 1:07) At the last October TCC Meeting the five applications the City would like to submit were submitted to SBCAG by the February 1, 2022, grant deadline. Preliminary results should be available in early May. SBCAG board would vote for approval for funding on May 19, 2022. This is a highly competitive process with many submissions by other cities in south Santa Barbara County.
3. **Active Transportation Program Cycle 5 Augmentation and Cycle 6** (Location on video: 1:09) The state budget was revised in January and restored the line item for this Program. There is potential that two projects the City submitted may be funded with state augmentation funds. The status of the augmentation will be updated in June or July. The City is working on Cycle 6 applications; they are due June 15, 2022. Unsuccessful applications in ATP Cycle 5 will be reapplied in this round (Cycle 6). In general, community support has been strong.

**COMMITTEE COMMENTS:** Chair Rodriguez commented that there was an article that came out describing the potential for Cliff Drive. Many local residents would be looking forward to that. Committee Member Blackerby thanked Ms. Grant and her team for sponsoring MTD's Measure A grant application for funding for additional bike racks on MTD busses. If funded, MTD bike racks would double in capacity by fifty percent.

**PUBLIC COMMENT:** Barry Remis with SB Bike and Coast.

**ADJOURNMENT:** The meeting was adjourned at 6:49 PM

**The video recording of this meeting can be found at the City of Santa Barbara's website at:**  
<https://www.santabarbaraca.gov/gov/brdcomm/nz/tcc/video.asp>

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