

**City of Los Angeles
Bicycle Advisory Committee
Minutes
April 5, 2005**

**Department of Water and Power Board Room
111 N. Hope Street
Los Angeles, CA 90012**

BAC Members in Attendance

Alex Baum	Mayor's Office (BAC Chairman)
Glenn Bailey	Mayor's Office
David Wolfberg	Mayor's Office
Michael Goodman	CD-2
Barry Seybert	CD-3
Rick Llewellyn	CD-4
Darien Mann	CD-6
Bart Reed	CD-7
Aubrey Provost	CD-8
Ron Skarin	CD-11
Don Rosenberg	CD-12 (BAC Vice Chairman)
Brian Forbisher	CD-14

BAC Members Absent

Vacant	CD-1
Melvin Leventhal	CD-5
Vacant	CD-9
Vacant	CD-10
Joe Linton	CD-13
Vacant	CD-15

City Staff

Michelle Mowery	LADOT
Michael May	LADOT
Bruce Christianson	LAPD

Guests

None

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1. Introductions

2. Approval of Minutes – Approval of February 1, 2005 Minutes.

Some discussion was held regarding the preparation of the minutes by LADOT staff.

3. Bicycle Licensing Update – Michelle Mowery updated the committee on the status of the City's bicycle licensing program from the last meeting. Ms. Mowery is working with the Juvenile Division of the LAPD and the Office of Finance and will report back to the Transportation Committee on the best way to implement the currently semi-defunct program now in place in the city. Options to be recommended from staff (LAPD, DOF, and LADOT) include: upgrading and fully enforcing the currently mandatory program; development of a voluntary program; and deleting the bicycle licensing ordinance from the City's municipal code.

A motion was introduced by Darian Mann to: Recommend the deletion of the bicycle license ordinance from the City's Municipal Code. Second Barry Seybert. Six in support; six opposed.

A second motion was introduced by Michael Goodman to: Recommend to the City Council the amendment of the municipal code to require bicycle retailers, LAPD, and authorized schools to offer the sale of bicycle licenses but require participation in the program to be voluntary. Second Glenn Bailey. Ten in support; two opposed.

4. LAPD Report – Officer Bruce Christensen reported that Chief Bratton and Assistant Chief Paysinger (and others in the South District Bureau) attended Bike School and are supportive of the officers on bicycles program.

5. Safety Programs Update – Tana Ball reported on the LAPD participation in the Acura Bike Tour.

6. Subcommittee Reports -

Bikeways - Glenn Bailey – No meeting held.

Planning – Mel Leventhal – No meeting held.

Education/Promotion – Ron Skarin – The committee talked about plans for bike-to-work day and the Bike Safety RFP to be issued by LADOT. Next meeting May 3rd.

Advocacy – Michael Goodman – Committee discussed a revision to the Municipal Code to ban motorized scooters from bicycle paths as provided for in the California Vehicle Code. Also discussed was the recent meeting presenting the Griffith Park Master Plan in which the request for mountain bike trail access was not acknowledged. A possible municipal code revision to be submitted to City Council to allow for off-road bicycle use in the parks was presented to the BAC for support but after much discussion the item was tabled, to be agendaized for the next meeting for formal review by the BAC. Chairman Baum and Michael Goodman will be meeting with various council offices to discuss Youth Adventures programs.

7. Bicycle Coordinator's Report - Michelle Mowery reported on the status of the City's web page and the ongoing bicycle parking programs.

8. Bikeways Report – Michael May was out sick. Michelle Mowery provided his written report and addressed concerns about various projects being designed and constructed throughout the city.

9 Public Comments – Peter Heumann commented on the upcoming Southern California Bicycle Expo including a children's and adult fun ride and the Griffith Park Master Plan.

10. BAC Member Comments – No comments.

11. Adjournment - 9:42 PM