

**City of Los Angeles  
Bicycle Advisory Committee  
Minutes  
December 7, 2004**

**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
Michael Goodman	CD-2
Rick Llewellyn	CD-4
Melvin Leventhal	CD-5
Darien Mann	CD-6
Aubrey Provost	CD-8
Don Rosenberg	CD-12 (BAC Vice Chairman)
Joe Linton	CD-13

**BAC Members Absent**

David Wolfberg	Mayor's Office
Guillermo Reyes	CD-1
Barry Seybert	CD-3
Bart Reed	CD-7
Vacant	CD-9
Ron Skarin	CD-11
Vacant	CD-10
Vacant	CD-14
Vacant	CD-15

**City Staff**

Michelle Mowery	LADOT
Michael May	LADOT
Chief Daniel McCarthy	LAFD
Captain Marc Segal	LAFD
Paramedic	LAFD
Emergency Medical Technician	LAFD

**Guests**

Tana Ball	LAUSD
Pat Hines	Safe Moves

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### 1. Introductions

**2. Approval of Minutes** – Approval of October 5, 2004 minutes.

**3. Los Angeles Fire Department Paramedics on Bicycles** – The Los Angeles Fire Department (LAFD) made a presentation on its new LAFD Bicycle Medic Program to the BAC. Capt. Marc Segal's presentation outlined the new program: The project is in its infancy and was developed for special events such as the Marathon where crowds make it problematic for vehicular paramedics to reach a location. LAFD research found over 300 cities in the nation have bicycle paramedic programs. 50% of the largest cities have bike paramedics. The project is developed in two member teams that include a paramedic and an Emergency Medical Technician. Teams are dispatched to a situation at the same time as an ambulance. In one example the bicycle medics made it to the scene in 20 seconds while the ambulance took 20 minutes.

Medical personnel are equipped with supplies to provide a minimum of 10 minutes of emergency service without additional support. Equipment includes a defibrillator, oxygen, obstetrics kit, blood glucose monitoring, medicines, water and radios and cell phones. The City of Pasadena provided technical and training assistance at no charge. Thus far the program has received very favorable community support.

**4. LAPD Report** – Officer Bruce Christensen reported that the Chief has shown some interest in the bicycle patrol. Harbor and West Los Angeles are reported to have lost their bicycle patrols; while West Valley is increasing its number of bicycle officers.

**5. Safety Programs Update** – Tana Ball spoke of work that is ongoing with LAUSD youth bike programs: including the MTA sponsored Safety-n-Kids Mini Summit on December 8, 2004; science program at the ADT Velodrome; and ongoing school bicycle clubs which are training for the Marathon Bike Tour. Acura has again pledged bicycles to special children in the Marathon Ride program.

Pat Hines reported on her ongoing contract with the LADOT School Bicycle Safety and Transit Program. She presented an overview of the program with a slide show and reported on ongoing work with the Council Offices, LA County Health Services, and OTS funded programs

### 7. Subcommittee Reports -

**Bikeways** - Glenn Bailey – No meeting held.

**Planning** – Mel Leventhal – Meeting addressed the lack of movement on the new

bicycle plan, the new LADOT bicycle web page, bicycle map RFP and ideas for innovative signage.

**Education/Promotion** – Ron Skarin was ill and unable to report on the meeting held November 2nd.

**Advocacy** – Michael Goodman – Reported that the gates at Mountain Gate remain open and continue to allow for public access; ongoing work on the issue of motorized scooters; and spoke of some potential language for the BAC to consider regarding in permitting mountain bicycle access to cities properties.

**8. Bicycle Coordinator's Report** - Michelle Mowery talked about the new DOT bike web page, Officer Bicycle Education program, and bicycle parking programs.

**9. Bikeways Report** – Michael May presented information about the San Fernando Road and Orange Line (BRT) bikeway projects from his written report.

**10. Public Comments** – No comments.

**11. BAC Member Comments** – No comments.

**12. Adjournment** - 9:00 PM