

**City of Los Angeles
Bicycle Advisory Committee
Minutes
June 3, 2008**

**Parker Center Auditorium
100 N. Los Angeles Street
Los Angeles, CA 90012**

BAC Members In Attendance

Glenn Bailey	Mayor's Office
Jay Slater	Mayor's Office
David Wolfberg	Mayor's Office
Nidia Garcia	CD-1
Michael Goodman	CD-2
Barry Seybert	CD-3
Larry Hoffman	CD-4
Paul Backstrom	CD-5
Bart Reed	CD-7
Ron Skarin	CD-9
Yolanda Davis-Overstreet	CD-10
Kent Strumpell	CD-11
Don Rosenberg	CD-12 (BAC Vice Chairman)
Joe Linton	CD-13
Brad House	CD 15

BAC Members Absent

Alex Baum	Mayor's Office (BAC Chairman)
Aubrey Provost	CD-8
Brian Frobisher	CD-14

City Staff

Michelle Mowery	LADOT
Michael May	LADOT

Guests

Jill Sourial	CD-1
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1. Call to Order/Introductions – The meeting was called to order by Don Rosenberg, Vice Chair, on behalf of Alex Baum, who was absent. Committee members and staff introduced themselves.
2. Public Comment – Four public comments were received noting observations about the new meeting location; an account of an encounter with an MTA bus, the resulting police report and a need for the BAC to work with the LAPD on legal issues; support for bike boulevards being part of the Bicycle Plan; and an audience member greeting and introduction.

Action Items

3. Approval of April 1, 2008 Minutes – Approved.
4. City Council Motion Regarding BAC – Review of Council Motion (Council File No. 08-0475) regarding reorganizing the BAC in order to decide whether to make recommendations concerning the motion to the Council, the Mayor or any other City departments.

Jill Sourial of the First Council District presented background information relative to the motion. An extensive discussion then followed relating to the various points in the motion. Members commented on: the need for support staff such as a secretary or clerk; member attendance at meetings; parking for the new location; the need for the Department of Recreation and Parks (RAP) to participate and some liaison with the Department of Neighborhood Empowerment (DONE); better outreach for the Bicycle Plan; better dissemination and posting of agendas and meeting minutes via e-mail, hard copies and other means; the effectiveness/need for alternate members; logistics problems with the new location; the need for more project information for members in advance of project planning (e.g. Bicycle Plan), project funding (e.g. the Call for Projects grant process) and project implementation; the need for more inter-departmental cooperation between departments such as DOT, City Planning, RAP and DONE; electronic notification/distribution of City Council and City Committee meeting agendas; and the need for RAP to participate to represent off-road/recreational riding.

Members agreed to hear public comment on this item mid-way through the motion discussion. Five public comments were received noting that immediate BAC action was needed on the motion; some reorganization of the BAC was needed; Brown Act violations were continuing; CD1's motion was forward-

thinking; and that the motion was introduced in February and the process was taking too long to move forward.

BAC members then discussed proposed modifications of the various recommendations of the motion and approved changes to the first recommendation on a point by point basis as follows:

- 1) For bullet point #1 from the motion, replace the City Planning Department with RAP; DONE to have a liaison role;
- 2) For bullet point #2 from the motion, RAP to staff the Committee with DOT; DONE to assign liaison to assist as needed;
- 3) For bullet point #3 from the motion, replace “post” with “post and disseminate;”
- 4) For bullet point #4 from the motion, replace “Chair” with “Chair and Vice-Chair;”
- 5) For bullet point #5 from the motion, replace “...an assigned alternate member” with “a Council or Mayoral appointment”;

BAC members voted to support the motion’s second and third recommendations as written regarding a Public Works Commissioner assignment and City Attorney assignment, respectively.

BAC members passed a motion to amend the CD11 motion to add that BAC members should attend four meetings per year;

BAC members passed a motion requiring DOT, DCP and RAP to provide the BAC with information on projects in a timely fashion so BAC input can possibly be incorporated into project scopes.

5. Bicycle Plan Update – Consideration of Planning Subcommittee recommendations regarding Bicycle Plan Update. Members discussed possible changes/edits to report. Four public comments received suggesting that BAC’s recommendations be turned into legal recommendations; thanking the Planning Subcommittee for its work; and expressing skepticism regarding implementation. Motion passed to forward Planning Subcommittee recommendations to Bicycle Plan consultant.

Information Items

6. DWP Festival of Lights – April 29, 2008 Correspondence to Department of Water and Power (DWP). Brief comments by members. One public comment received expressing support for letter.

Reports

7. LAPD Report – No report. Two public comments received relaying details of an LAPD incident and requesting BAC involvement and assistance with LAPD issues.

8. Safety Program Update – No report.

9. Subcommittee Reports

Bikeways – Glenn Bailey reported on the 4/29/08 meeting topics including the San Fernando Road Phase 2 project; LA River Phase 4 bike path project; Sepulveda Basin bike path & motor vehicle impacts; Winnetka bike lanes; and news regarding the Orange Line Canoga extension and various alternatives.

Planning – Kent Strumpell provided an update on meetings regarding the Ballona Creek gate closure proposal and the Exposition Phase 2 LRT/bikeway project.

Advocacy and Education – No recent meeting. Michael Goodman commented upon the poor attendance/involvement and apparent lack of interest in this subcommittee and suggested it be disbanded if needed. Nidia Garcia volunteered to assist and be on the subcommittee.

10. Bicycle Program Report – No report.

11. Bikeway Engineering Report – Item tabled for lack of time.

12. BAC Member Comments – Joe Linton informed members of an upcoming Bike Summit in October with more information to follow. Ron Skarin officially welcomed and recognized Nidia Garcia as the First Council District's new representative.

13. Adjournment – 9:55 PM