

MTA Bicycle Program Report to the BAC
2/19/07-3/19/07

A. BICYCLE FACILITIES

BAYVIEW TRANSPORTATION IMPROVEMENTS PROJECT – DPW sent a memo to the Bicycle Program summarizing the existing bicycle network along the proposed truck route alternatives of the Bayview Transportation Improvements Project (BTIP), identified how the alternatives would affect the bicycle network, as well as any required changes to the bicycle network. Staff commented that moving the existing bike route from Innes (route #68) to Hudson does not make sense at this point. DPW will meet with the Bicycle Coalition and Bay Trail planners on March 23 and will present them with the revised memo based on Bicycle Program comments. BAC input is requested and a meeting should be scheduled with ; William Bulkley, Landscape Architect, Department of Public Works, Bureau of Engineering, 30 Van Ness Ave, Fifth Floor, San Francisco, CA 94102, 415-557-4735, William.Bulkley@sfdpw.org

CARGO WAY (3RD STREET TO JENNINGS STREET) –Staff, the Port Redevelopment Agency, Mayor’s Office of City Greening, DPW, Livable City, ABAG, the Planning Department and various consultants discussed enhanced bicycling and pedestrian access along the Bay Trail. The Port expressed interest in striping the bike lanes citing that Cargo Way is in the Port jurisdiction and is not accepted as a City street. Moreover, DPW mentioned that the bike lanes on Cargo Way are included in their Bayview Transportation Improvement EIS/EIR, to be finalized in October 2008. Staff asked the City Attorney’s Office to weigh-in on this.

COLORED PAVEMENT TEST – Crafcoc Inc. will be conducting a trial installation of colored pavement at the DPW Cesar Chavez Yard. We will use this location to examine the durability and visibility of a green colored pavement for potential future use in the City.

MARKET STREET AND OCTAVIA BOULEVARD – Staff continues to work on the ongoing improvements to the intersection. Last month’s BAC meeting covered potential improvements.

PAGE STREET (DIVISADERO TO MARKET STREET) – Staff is submitting Sharrow restoration requests to DPW through Elisa.

SFSU MASTER PLAN – SFSU asked Bicycle Program staff to attend a meeting with SFSU planners and the SFBC on the development of a short-term north-south bicycle route through campus (The long-term plan is to build a ped/bike bridge across the large ravine that runs across campus).

BIKE PLAN EIR/ INJUNCTION:

BICYCLE PLAN ENVIRONMENTAL REVIEW - Contract approval is underway. Staff continues to prepare items that will be used by the consultant in developing the Environmental Impact Report for the various projects in the Bicycle Plan.

BIKE PLAN EIR FUNDING SHORTFALL/JOB ORDER: Staff is still working to identify funds to make up the funding shortfall for the EIR work – both for the contract and the MTA staffing. Staff is also working with Accounting to sort out issues regarding the JO for the Bike Plan EIR.

BICYCLE PLAN INJUNCTION – Bicycle Program and Traffic Calming staff met with City Attorney to review activities that are impacted by the injunction (we last met in December). Staff is gathering more information on outstanding questions and will provide this information to City Attorney.

B. BICYCLE PARKING

COMMUNITY MEETING: Staff presented possibilities for an on-street bicycle parking area near 30th/Mission to the North Bernal Neighborhood Alliance last night. They understand that, although the community supports the project, we are under an injunction and cannot perform the work until the lawsuit is resolved.

C. SAFETY/OUTREACH

BAYVIEW CHILD HEALTH CENTER: Staff has confirmed with BVCHC that we will have a bike rodeo at the grand opening March 31.

BIKE TO WORK DAY: Locations for banners have been selected. A purchase order request is underway to hire a vendor for banner installation. Regional posters were approved for the MTA logo and are being printed.

BICYCLE COLLISION REPORT: We have completed a rough draft of the report. Staff is reviewing, and will be returning to the BAC next month with a draft.

BICYCLE CITATION DIVERSION: Staff met with SF Judges, SFPD, DPH, BAC to discuss and plan for citation diversion educational programming. It looks quite promising so far.

OTS BIKE ED GRANT: This 2 yr. grant will establish a pilot bicycle safety education program in Middle Schools. We received official signed grant agreement. Jerry Levine is finishing BOS resolution. Staff is working on RFP for community contract.

SF EMPLOYER TRANSPORTATION FAIR: March 22, 9-12noon, Main Library. Bicycle Program staff will attend.

SIDEWALK/RESPECT CAMPAIGN: SFPD, SFBC, DPH, and MTA will have an outreach event near Market Van Ness March 21st, 7:30-9:30. SAN will also coordinate an event the following day at 12:30 pm at Church and Market.

SF BIKE GUIDE TRANSLATION: The guide Spanish translation is being reviewed by independents for final draft.

REPORT CARD RFP: Staff received comments from TA and has incorporated them. The funding has been released. Next step is to begin the contracting process.

D. PLANNING/FUNDING

FUNDING – Staff submitted requests to open seven Prop K and six TFCA job orders to Sylvia. Resolutions to these projects were also submitted. Staff is also preparing Allocation Request Forms for FY 2007/08 to the TA. The latest group of 7 applications was approved at SFCTA Plans & Programs on February 13. Staff is working on 2007/08 Allocation Request Forms for Cesar Chavez Street, Division Street, Masonic Avenue, Portola Drive, Potrero Avenue, Sagamore/Sickles, Holloway Avenue, and Lee Avenue. These are due to Grants Staff by March 20.

PROP K 5-YEAR PLAN: Amended 5YPP was submitted to the TA 2/15. Staff received SFCTA comments on March 12, with less than two weeks to respond.

SR2T GRANT APPLICATION: This project will improve pedestrian access to The 24th Street & Mission BART Station and within four blocks of the station through the installation of curb-bulbouts, crosswalk overlays, accessible (ADA) curb ramps, pedestrian countdown signals, and possible wayfinding signage. As part of the wayfinding signage improvements Bicycle Program staff is exploring the possibility of posting bicycle maps in BART stations in SF, and may be able to include maps on Muni shelters through a new Muni shelter contract.

OTHER –

BIKES ON LRVs –Staff sent an email to the appropriate Muni contact outlining the desire to perform an engineering study of retrofitting an LRV.

