

## **MTA Bicycle Program Report to the BAC June 2007**

### **A. BICYCLE FACILITIES**

1. BICYCLE PLAN EIR : Staff sent 58 confirmed intersections to the consultants. Per the contract, 60 intersections are to be submitted. MEA still needs to confirm two more intersections and confirm 12 corridors to model. Staff submitted traffic count data, Synchro Model output and Caltrans signal timing cards for the intersections that we had data on. Final preparations for the public scoping meeting scheduled for 06.20.07 are being made

2. COLORED BIKE LANES: Staff participated in the California Bicycle Advisory Committee conference call on 6/7/07. The Committee had no significant comments, and was pleased that we are moving forward with this process. Staff attended the National Committee on Uniform Traffic Control Device (NCUTCD) meeting to present MTA's proposal to study colored bike lanes. The NCUTCD approved our experiment. The next step is to return to the California Traffic Control Device Committee (CTCDC). Previously, the CTCDC instructed staff to get permission from the NCUTCD.

3. BAYSHORE BOULEVARD (JERROLD STREET TO INDUSTRIAL STREET): Staff is coordinating a meeting with Construction and Operations Sections to discuss improvements along Bayshore Boulevard in regards to Home Depot construction.

### **B. SAFETY OUTREACH**

1. BIKE ED CONFERENCE AUSTIN TX, JUNE 14-16: Staff attend this conference. A report is forthcoming.

2. 2007 OUTDOOR BIKE CAMPAIGNS (PROP K): Staff met with MTA marketing and sorted out space issues. Staff is re-scoping the outdoor space which will then require SFCTA approval. - Staff will have to readjust the amount of posters we initially scoped for bus and shelter ads for the Bicycle/LRV and Large Vehicle campaign to accommodate actual availability.

3. BICYCLE CITATION DIVERSION PROGRAM PLANNING: Staff met with the Superior court judicial committee Monday June 11 to further explore creation of this much-needed program (especially in light of the recent step-up in bicycle enforcement.)

4. BICYCLE ENFORCEMENT STINGS: This month, SFPD started ticketing cyclists for stop sign, ROW, sidewalk, and other VC violations at select locations.

Some cited cyclists feel that this is selective and punitive enforcement. MTA and SFBC are concerned that not enough outreach (or as much as was planned through a collaborative effort between MTA, DPH, SFPD and SFBC) was done before the citations started being issued.

5. ADULT BIKE ED- Next Road 1 class will be June 30, 10am-4pm at Park Branch Library.

#### **D. PLANNING / FUNDING**

1. PROP K 5YPP and ARFs: Staff addressed the latest round of SFCTA questions regarding an update to our 5YPP. It is anticipated that this will be presented to the SFCTA's CAC on 06.27.07.

2. TDA: An "accept and expend resolution" was heard at the MTAB for Bicycle Transportation Development Act funds. There are still some signature/language issues that need to be worked out before this item is ready to be heard before the BOS.

#### **OTHER**

1. FELL-MASONIC BICYCLE PATH : At a Community Forum on Enforcement (June 19, 6-9 pm) Park Station PD staff expressed interest in clarifying bicycle access to the Masonic crossing of the Panhandle Path, arguing that bicyclists are obliged to dismount and walk across Masonic. This is at odds with our interpretation of the facility as a continuation/prolongation of the multi-use path that it connects to on both sides. Captain Ehrlich asked who our ultimate authority on an issue like this is.

2. MAYOR'S FORUM: On Saturday, June 30, from 10am – noon, Mayor Gavin Newsom will host the latest in a series of town hall-style community policy forums, this time on the subject of transportation. The forum will take place in Chinatown at Jean Parker Elementary School, 840 Broadway (at Powell). Staff prepared items for this upcoming Forum on transportation.