

Pedestrian Safety Advisory Committee

Action Minutes June 25, 2007

Meeting started at 5:35 PM

Present: Members: Dan Brook; Katy Liddell; Joy Oganeku; Pi Ra; Billy Riggs and Howard Strassner. **Staff:** Cristina Olea, DPT

1. Member Announcements: Pi: Will attend a SOMA ped safety meeting on 7/23.

Joy: Is thankful for the new audible signals on Fulton. **Cristina:** a) Elisa Ng has joined the DPT pedestrian program and will be her back-up at PSAC meetings. b) The settlement agreement for pedestrian signals for the blind and disabled was approved and there will be 86 audible signals operating by the end of the year.

2. Minutes: Adopted minutes for February and April.

3. Public Comment: None

4. Pedestrian Collision Model: Megan Weir, DPH: Distributed a copy of Draft Impacts of Urban Land Use – SF Pedestrian Injury Model and presented an overview showing that almost every neighborhood, by census tract residents, in SF, has over four times the US pedestrian injury rate, by cars. Members should prepare questions on the draft for next months presentation.

PC: John Irwin: Shocked by high injury rates and the best way to decrease accidents is to educate pedestrians and drivers.

5. Clarendon School: Howard: Presented email report from Beverley Webster: Supervisor Elsbernd helped get responses from DPT and DPW. She is trying to get a walkway, shrub clearing, and a crosswalk. Things move more slowly because school is closed. There may be some progress for our September meeting.

6. Car Free Day: Dan: Wants to have a care free day in each neighborhood. **Members Comments:** Contact neighborhood association to see if they are interested. Car free can be costly to shift transit and pay for police. DPT has a process for street closure. Haight Street might be a good site and the bus can be shifted to Page. Japan Town might be good and there is no bus to shift. Four years ago SF had a four hour car free four blocks on Montgomery Street promoted by Supervisor Maxwell.

7. Better Streets Plan: Cristina: Streetscape draft is prepared. Ped policy is being developed. Both will be released for Round Two Outreach in August. Next CAC meeting???

8. PSAC Reconfiguration: Pi: Supervisor Jew passed legislation to increase PSAC to 23 members with one member appointed by each Supervisor and one less pedestrian advocate. We will have to change our Bylaws. Pi will check with City Attorney to see when our quorum requirement increases. We should use email to establish the most ideal meeting date. Pi will report to BOS President in January 2008 on membership status. If enough Supervisors don't appoint members we may return to previous configuration.

9) Adjournment: At 7:00 PM