San Francisco Pedestrian Safety Advisory Committee (PSAC) Draft Minutes November 8, 2011

Meeting started at 5:33 P.M.

Present: Brasso, Clark, Ehrlich, Frausto, Garner, Hunter, Lee, Ra, Rhoads, Rogers, Rothman, Smith, Strassner

Excused: Lowell, Supawanich

Absent: Pelfrey

1. Approval of the November 8, 2011 Agenda: <u>Approved unanimously</u>; no public comment

2. Approval of the October 11, 2011 Meeting Minutes: <u>Approved unanimously;</u> no public comment

3. Public Comment for Items not included on agenda: None

4. SFPD Traffic Company Update: Item deferred due to temporary absence of SFPD personnel

5. Final WalkFirst Program Update: Presented highlights of final report, also available on WalkFirst web site (<u>http://walkfirst.sfplanning.org/</u>); noted that grant applications for second phase were not immediately successful, but will look for other opportunities to build on this work; PSAC members encouraged continued PSAC involvement as designs go forward, asked questions regarding publicizing the report, and requested that the December meeting include a commendation for the WalkFirst team; no public comment

4. SFPD Traffic Company Update: Resumed with updates from **Casciato** on: pending hand-held ticket machines, ped-bike community court, distribution of bicycle lights, 15 mph zones around schools, and an upcoming online/searchable statistics database; PSAC members asked questions regarding bicycle citations for lack of lights/helmets and double-parking around SFPD stations; no public comment

6. Separated Bicycle Lanes on JFK Drive: White presented on process/design for JFK cycle track project, including data from similar installations in other cities and acknowledgement that education, enforcement, and evaluation are key elements of this project; PSAC members asked questions regarding lack of earlier PSAC involvement, impact on persons with disabilities, potential for cars to illegally drive in the cycle tracks, need for strong education component, and potential risks to pedestrians

- Public Comment:
 - Andy Thornley, SF Bicycle Coalition: Stated that project will improve safety through reducing bicycles on sidewalk, and apologized for any potential outreach/communications issues

Motion/second from **Strassner/Smith**: The Pedestrian Safety Advisory Committee endorses the intent of the "John F Kennedy Drive Separated Bikeways" project, if it is enhanced to include temporary bollards in the buffer area and/or the imposition of significant fines (and associated signage) for driving in the buffer/bike areas; <u>Motion passed 8-3</u> - FOR: Rothman, Brasso, Strassner, Smith, Garner, Lee, Frausto, Rhoads; AGAINST: Ra, Ehrlich, Rogers; ABSENT: Clark (stepped out momentarily)

7. SFPD Monthly Reporting Motion: Rogers introduced motion on behalf of the Chair; **Casciato** provided additional context on transitions and need for continuity; <u>Motion passed</u> <u>unanimously</u>; no public comment

8. SFMTA Staff Report: Markwowitz reported on SFMTA capital plan, emphasis on arterials for traffic calming projects, and 5-year CIP; PSAC member questions on crosswalk lines in relation to buildings and visibility, benefits of bus bulbs at corners; **Montoya** reported on initial Oak/Fell bikeway planning, pedestrian injury report delays and potential improvements to that reporting, and 15 mph school zones; no public comment

9. Pedestrian Safety Grant Requests: None

10. Announcements: Walk SF reception following January 2012 PSAC meeting

Meeting adjourned at 7:14 P.M.