

Citizens Advisory Committee: Bicycle and Pedestrian Subcommittee Teleconference Notice

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Dan Kalmick Laurel Reimer
John Kinney Roy Shahbazian
Michael McNally John Taylor
Margaret Novak Jeff Thompson

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Teleconference Sites:

Orange County Transportation Authority - Headquarters 550 S. Main Street Conference Room 07 Orange, CA

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Instead, members of the public can view a live streaming of the June 15, 2021 12p.m. Bicycle and Pedestrian Subcommittee meeting by clicking this link.

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Agenda Descriptions

The Agenda descriptions are intended to give notice to members of the public of a general summary of items of business to be transacted or discussed. Any person with a disability who requires a modification or accommodation in order to participate in this meeting should contact the OCTA at (714) 560-5611, no less than two (2) business days prior to this meeting to enable OCTA to make reasonable arrangements to assure accessibility to this meeting.



CAC Bicycle/Pedestrian Subcommittee

550 S. Main Street, Orange CA, Room 07 June 15, 2021 | 12:00 p.m. – 1:30 p.m. Teleconference Meeting

AGENDA

- 1. Call to Order
- 2. Roll Call Attendance
- 3. Action Items
 - A. Citizens Advisory Committee Bicycle and Pedestrian Subcommittee Name Modernization Jared Hill, External Affairs
- 4. Presentation Items
 - A. May Bike Month Recap Kristopher Hewkin, Marketing
- 5. OCTA Staff Updates (5 minutes each)
 - A. Aliso Creek Trail Closure Update Logan Selleck, Public Outreach
 - B. Warner Avenue Bridge Update-Nicci Wright, Public Outreach
 - C. Bike Gap Closure Study Update Peter Sotherland, Active Transportation Coordinator
 - D. Bicycle Friendly Community Bronze Award Peter Sotherland, Active Transportation Coordinator
 - E. Active Transportation Grants Status Update Peter Sotherland, Active Transportation Coordinator
 - F. Staff Liaison Update Jared Hill, External Affairs
- 6. Subcommittee Member Comments
- 7. Adjournment

Agenda Descriptions



Citizens Advisory Committee Bicycle and Pedestrian Subcommittee Meeting Notes

March 16, 2021 | 12:00 p.m. – 1:30 p.m. Teleconference Meeting 550 S. Main Street, Orange CA, Room 07

1. Welcome

Chair Paul Adams welcomed everyone to the Orange County Transportation Authority (OCTA) Citizens Advisory Committee (CAC) Bicycle and Pedestrian Subcommittee meeting. Jared Hill said there were no public comments and the agenda for this meeting was posted one week prior to the meeting. He went over meeting protocols.

2. Roll Call Attendance

Members Present:

Paul Adams John Kinney Lisandro Orozco Dan Kalmick Roy Shahbazian Margaret Novak

3. Presentation Items

A. Caltrans District 12 Active Transportation Presentation

Irene Hou, Caltrans District 12 System Planning Branch Chief, presented the Caltrans District 12 Active Transportation Plan. She provided background information on the Plan. This plan calls for development of bicycle and pedestrian paths on or parallel to the State Highway System (SHS). Caltrans will be identifying location needs. She outlined items to be accomplished in each of the four phases. Currently Caltrans is in Phase 2 – looking at existing conditions. Next, Irene discussed the deliverables for the plan, public outreach, and next steps. <The full presentation is available on OCTA.net.>

B. May Bike Month Update

Kristopher Hewkin provided a Marketing update as it pertains to May Bike Month. He said previously OCTA only promoted Bike to Work Week and will now promote all of Bike Month. He said OCTA is developing a daily calendar of challenges. OCTA would like to promote biking in general, not just to work. OCTA uses the Strava mobile application to engage the community and track participation. Employee Transportation Coordinators at large business are given information to pass along to employees. Kristopher talked about OCTA's partnership with Jax Bicycle Center and Spectrumotion. He also talked about the redesigned OC Active website. <The full presentation is available on OCTA.net.>

Committee Member Comments:

Chair Paul Adams said May Bike Month will hopefully coincide with the state opening back up. He asked about the Anaheim Convention Center and people biking there. Kristopher Hewkin said he would love to talk to Chair Adams' contact at the Convention Center. Chair Adams will pass along contact information.

C. Aliso Creek Trail Closure Update

Logan Selleck provided an update on the I-5 South County Improvement Project as it relates to the bicycle and pedestrian pathway through the Aliso Creek Trail. He provided an overview of the project. Logan outlined the five bicycle and pedestrian improvements in the project area. He shared the temporary closure and detour of the Aliso Creek Bikeway. A portion of this trail will be closed for about one-year starting in April 2021. Logan shared the detours and the signage for the detours. In addition, he outlined the Public Outreach Plan and how OCTA is partnering with the cycling community. <The full presentation is available OCTA.net.>

Committee Member Comments:

Chair Paul Adams asked if CMS signs can be put up prior to the trail closures. Logan Selleck said he will bring this suggestion to the technical team.

4. OCTA Staff Updates

- A. Safe Routes to School Action Plan Update Peter Sotherland said in the Fall this committee heard a presentation on the Safe Routes to School Action Plan. This Plan has been finalized. OCTA completed all the items despite the pandemic. The final report will be sent out soon and then the Plan will be move to implementation.
- B. Safe Travels Education Plan Update (OC Step) Eric Carlson provided an update on the STEP Campaign that kicked-off in January 2020. He said OCTA is looking to enroll 25 schools in this program. The team had to pivot due to distance learning modules. OCTA developed modules that teachers can use in the classroom. OCTA has asked Caltrans for a 12-month extension of the program due to the pandemic. <The full presentation is available OCTA.net.>
- C. Staff Liaison Update Jared Hill said OCTA is recruiting members for the Special Needs Advisory Committee and the Citizens Advisory Committee. All applications are due May 2, 2021. Please pass along the information to anyone you think might be interested and qualified for the committees.

5. Subcommittee Member Comments

There were no subcommittee comments.

6. Public Comments

There were no public comments.

7. Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned.



Citizens Advisory Committee Bicycle and Pedestrian Subcommittee Meeting Notes

September 15, 2020 | 12:00 p.m. – 1:30 p.m. Teleconference Meeting 550 S. Main Street, Orange CA, Room 07

1. Welcome

Chair Paul Adams welcomed everyone to the Orange County Transportation Authority (OCTA) Citizens Advisory Committee (CAC) Bicycle and Pedestrian Subcommittee meeting. Chair Adams went over meeting protocols.

2. Roll Call Attendance

Members Present:

Paul AdamsLisandro OrozcoJeff ThompsonDan KalmickMark ParadesDianne ThompsonJohn KinneyRoy ShahbazianLaurel Reimer

3. Presentation Items

A. Bike to Work Week Update

Kristopher Hewkin presented an update on Bike to Work Week which is September 21-27, 2020. This week usually takes place during Bike to Work month in May but was delayed due to the pandemic. Incentives were modified since people are not necessarily commuting to work. He shared the poster used for the event and some of the digital materials. Kristopher thanked Jax Bicycle Center and Spectrumotion for sponsoring the event. He then went over the campaign goals and objectives. Kristopher talked about how participations will be tracked. <The full presentation is available on OCTA.net.>

Committee Member Comments:

Jeff Thompson complimented the information but asked how OCTA thinks the number of participants will be affected since many people are working from home. Kristopher Hewkin said it is hard to predict this year and there will probably be less participants.

B. Active Transportation Program Project Prioritization Methodology Update Louis Zhao provided background on the Active Transportation Program Project (ATP) Prioritization Methodology. Denise Arriaga provided an update on the program and funding. She said last year OCTA received about \$26.6M in ATP

awards. She said \$11.4M of it was from the statewide component and the other \$15.2M was awarded through the regional Southern California Association of Governments (SCAG) component. She reviewed the Cycle 5 schedule. She said adoption of the regional component should be in June 2021. Next, she went through the funding available in Cycle 5. Denise focused on the \$176.6M distributed through SCAG. She said of that money Orange County is slated to receive \$14.9M. Denise talked about the process for receiving funding and showed the methodology. She talked about how OCTA is working with the local agencies on the submission plans. Denise said OCTA has a Bikeways Planning webpage where you can find all the information. Denise talked about the Sustainable Communities Program and Caltrans planning activities. <The full presentation is available on OCTA.net.>

Committee Member Comments:

Vice Chair Lisandro Orozco asked about the list of projects submitted. Louis Zhao said OCTA does not typically release the list of projects submitted. He said the California Transportation Commission has a full list of projects submitted. Louis said he would get the information to the committee through Jared Hill.

Vice Chair Lisandro Orozco asked if the funding received was less than the previous year. Louis Zhao said it is about the same. Generally, Orange County receives \$14M-\$15M per year. He said the \$14.9M in funding is guaranteed for this year, plus additional funding can be received from other areas.

Chair Paul Adams said the methodology and points are geared towards safety. He asked if based on this, does staff see OCTA projects getting more funding. Louis Zhao said OCTA is trying to make sure every agency in Orange County has the opportunity to capture as much funding as possible. He said in this cycle there is a safety specific element. He said we also want to capture the Orange County Systemic Safety Plan that was completed. OCTA hopes this will encourage agencies to create safety plans in general.

Jeff Thompson said he is impressed with how successful the City of Santa Ana has been with their projects. He asked staff if they have observations about why the City of Santa Ana is successful. Louis Zhao said they are used as a model because they are so proactive in their planning. Vice Chair Lisandro Orozco recommended committee members go by Downtown Santa Ana at Fifth Street to see the protective bike lanes. He said there is a small segment on Bristol as well, but the Fifth Street segment looks to be part of a bigger system. Louis said the Bristol segment will connect to a larger segment and a network of bike lanes. He said the City of Santa Ana applied for and was awarded funds to extend that segment.

C. Safe Routes to School Action Plan Update

Peter Sotherland provided background on the Safe Routes to School Action Plan. He then introduced Toole Designs who presented an update on the Plan. He said this program encourages kids to walk and bike to school safely. Brent talked through the action plan. Stakeholder meetings, Open Houses and other public engagement activities were held pre-pandemic. He said Walk to School Week is October 5-9. Toole Designs said in the needs assessment schools were scored on variables based on safety of walking/biking in the area. Schools received scores putting them in one of three tiers. Most schools in Tier 1, the sensitive tier, were mostly in the north/central Orange County. Brent went through the four recommendations. He said in next steps OCTA will draft an action plan, do more stakeholder engagement and finalize the action plan. <The full presentation is available OCTA.net.>

Committee Member Comments:

Roy Shahbazian asked about the funding for this program. Toole Design said Caltrans funds many safe routes to school programs and funding can be done through sustainable communities initiatives. Peter Sotherland said the community knows the funds are out there, but do not always have the capacity to go after them, so having information in one place is helpful. He said sometimes individual schools or districts must go after the funds and they do not always have the staff to do this.

4. OCTA Staff Updates

A. Staff Liaison Update – Jared Hill said he reached out to the new CAC members to see if anyone was interested in joining this committee. He said he continues to regularly update Chair Paul Adams. The next meeting of this committee is December 15 and the next full CAC meeting is October 20.

5. Subcommittee Member Comments

There were no subcommittee comments.

6. Public Comments

There were no public comments.

7. Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned.

CAC Bicycle/Pedestrian Subcommittee Fiscal Year 2020-2021 Attendance Record

R = Resigned

● = Present ● = Absent

Members	6/15/20	9/15/20	3/16/21
Adams, Paul	•	•	•
Franze, Mike	•	•	•
Kalmick, Dan	•	•	•
Kinney, John	•	•	•
McNally, Michael	•	•	•
Novak, Margaret	•	•	•
Paredes, Mark	•	•	•
Polichetti, Nick	•	•	•
Shahbazian, Roy	•	•	•
Taylor, John	•	•	•
Thompson, Diane	•	•	•
Thompson, Jeff	•	•	•
Reimer, Laurel	•	•	•
Orozco, Lisandro	•	•	•