

BART Bicycle Advisory Task Force (BBATF)

Meeting Minutes: February 6, 2017

Task Force Members Present: David Favello (Chair), Shirley Johnson (Vice-chair), Rick Goldman (Secretary), Craig Hagelin, Jon Spangler, Mary Ann Blackwell

Absent: None

Item 1 Introductions

BBATF members

Others: Julia Snell (Oakland resident), Robert Raburn (BART Director)

Item 2 General Discussion and Public Comments

A. Report on Break in at Ashby Bike Station

a. Have video of break-in and police are investigating

B. Jon Spangler announced a meeting next week with Project 529 – a bike theft prevention/registration company to hear about positive results they achieved in Vancouver and feasibility of applying to the Bay Area.

Item 3 Minutes of previous meeting approved

Item 4 Multi-Modal design Access Guidelines, scope and presentation

A. Bob Franklin and David Field presented an update on the Multi-Modal Access Design Guidelines (MADG)

B. Old BART Facility Standard (BFS) is outdated and focused primarily on car access.

C. New MADG to set guidelines for all modes of access from BART property line to the fare gates.

D. Stations are divided into 5 categories

a. Urban (12th Street)

b. Urban w/ Parking (Ashby)

c. Balanced (Bay Fair)

d. Intermodal/Auto-Reliant (Daly City)

e. Auto Dependent (Pittsburgh/Bay Point)

E. Used sample station in each category to define issues with improving access within the station.

F. Will Define Minimum and Recommended standards for components of access (width of sidewalks, height of pedestrian bridges barriers, width of different classes of bikeways, grade of shared paths, location of bike parking, etc.)

G. Standards can be provided to other agencies designing/redesigning access paths near BART stations.

H. Request for Comments:

a. Incorporate (or refer to) stair channel design guidelines being developed

b. 2 door elevators (in one door, out the other – no need to back out bikes and wheelchairs from elevators)

- I. Next Steps:
 - a. Present draft guideline to BART Board
 - b. Apply to two stations (El Cerrito Del Norte and Fremont)
 - c. See if guidelines covered all scenarios encountered
 - d. Refine guidelines and finalize before the end of 2017.

Item 5 Bicycle Program Capital Plan Updates

- A. BART Board interested in planning for where passengers who reach stations by bicycle will park, and to increase the proportion of passengers who park their bike relative to those who bring them onboard trains.
 - a. Currently 25% park bikes at stations. Goal is to double that.
- B. Analyzed existing bike parking resources and occupancy at each station.
- C. Consultant team will recommend additional bike parking to accommodate projected demand at nine stations (West Oakland, San Leandro, North Berkeley, Dublin/Pleasanton, 19th St., Rockridge, Lake Merritt, El Cerrito Del Norte, and Fremont). Funding to implement not yet identified.
- D. Summarize planned and funded expansion efforts at nine other stations (Pleasant Hill, Concord, Lafayette, 24th St., 16th St., Embarcadero, Berkeley, MacArthur, and Walnut Creek)
 - a. 24th and 16th St getting new Bikekeep racks.
- E. Status of remaining stations
- F. Document methodology for future bicycle parking surveys
- G. Describe other improvements for bicyclists
 - a. Network e-Lockers (can check availability, Clipper Card Compatible)
 - b. More Stair Channels
 - c. Inventory of Accessible Fare Gates (AFG), and prioritize installation of new AFG's.

Item 6 Bike Space Straps, review proposed letter to Board

- A. Shirley presented a draft of a letter from the BBATF in support of putting more Bike Space Straps on BART trains.
- B. Overwhelming positive response from BART patrons, improves safety, low cost solution.
- C. Modifications made to the letter, and the BBATF unanimously approved sending the letter to the BART Board.
- D. Letter will be sent to the BART Board and Shirley will present the letter at the next BART Board meeting.

Item 7 Member Feedback; discuss best practices for bringing feedback to nominating organization.

- A. Rick Goldman discussed how he updates the SFBAC (the committee that appoints him to the BBATF).
 - a. SFBAC has meetings the last Monday of every month.
 - b. Rick presents a summary of the BBATF meeting to the SFBAC at their meeting in the months the BBATF also meets.

- c. The SFBAC provides feedback and asks questions on certain items which Rick will bring back to the BBATF meeting.
 - d. One example of a positive exchange was the Mission Street Grate replacement – at first the SFBAC was very concerned that the replacement would not improve safety to bicyclists. After further discussions with BART staff, Rick was able to assuage some of the SFBAC's concerns
- B. Shirley summarizes to the SFBC Board.
 - C. Suggestion for someone to present to Bike East Bay.

Item 8 Bike theft Data, review updated data and discuss potential uses.

- A. Steve updated his summary with most recent data. Rick still to update past data.
- B. Concerns: Bike Lockers are not perfect (3% stolen from lockers)
 - a. 27% locked with U-locks; 60% with cable locks.

Item 9 Recruitment of New Members

- A. Multiple people have expressed interest from Alameda County
- B. Post in SFBC newsletter for another member appointed by SFBC
- C. Contact Bike Concord for Contra Costa County
- D. Steve to create application form

Item 10 Bike & Pedestrian over investment at auto dependent station, potential project.

- A. Postponed till next meeting.

Item 11 Adjournment. Next Meeting April 3, 2017