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City of Santa Barbara Planning Division

PLANNING COMMISSION MINUTES

April 2, 2015

CALL TO ORDER:

Chair Thompson called the meeting to order at 1:03 P.M.

I. ROLL CALL

Chair Addison Thompson, Vice-Chair John P. Campanella, Commissioners Jay D. Higgins, Mike Jordan, Sheila Lodge, June Pujo, and Deborah L. Schwartz.

STAFF PRESENT:

Allison De Busk, Acting Senior Planner
N. Scott Vincent, Assistant City Attorney
Steve Foley, Supervising Transportation Planner
Peter Brown, Mobility Coordinator
Julie Rodriguez, Planning Commission Secretary

II. PRELIMINARY MATTERS:

A. Action on the review of the following Draft Minutes and Resolutions:

1. Draft Minutes of March 18, 2015 Special Meeting / Workshop

MOTION: Jordan/Lodge

Approve the minutes as corrected.

This motion carried by the following vote:

Ayes: 7 Noes: 0 Abstain: 0 Absent: 0

2. Draft Minutes of March 19, 2015

MOTION: Jordan/Campanella

Approve the minutes as corrected.

This motion carried by the following vote:

Ayes: 6 Noes: 0 Abstain: 1 (Lodge) Absent: 0

- B. Requests for continuances, withdrawals, postponements, or addition of ex-agenda items.

None.

- C. Announcements and appeals.

None.

- D. Comments from members of the public pertaining to items not on this agenda.

Chair Thompson opened the public hearing at 1:07 P.M. and, with no one wishing to speak, closed the hearing.

III. DISCUSSION ITEM

ACTUAL TIME: 1:07 P.M.

BICYCLE MASTER PLAN

The City of Santa Barbara is updating its Bicycle Master Plan; the City last did a comprehensive Bicycle Master Plan in 1998. The Public Works Department will provide the Planning Commission with an update on the progress of the 2015 Bicycle Master Plan and the proposed public outreach strategy.

Contact: Peter Brown, Mobility Coordinator
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Peter Brown, Mobility Coordinator, gave the Staff presentation. Steve Foley, Supervising Transportation Planner was available to answer Commission questions.

Chair Thompson opened the public hearing at 1:23 P.M.

The following people commented on the project:

1. Ethan Shenkman was concerned about mobility access issues for the public, particularly the handicapped.
2. Scott Wenz, President, Cars Are Basic, submitted written comments and asked to be included as a stakeholder in future discussion. Concerned that no hard numbers on bicycle use will be collected.
3. Tom Becker, Automotive Coalition, was concerned that the data presented to City Council is not accurate or current. Stated that it is based on census data from 1998 and that SBCAG, who funded this plan, has the latest bike count and more accurate figures.

With no one else wishing to speak, the public hearing was closed at 1:33 P.M.

Commissioner Schwartz left the dais at 2:09 P.M. and returned at 2:12 P.M.

The Commission commented on defining the Bicycle Master Plan Update goals and objectives, survey structure, and inclusivity on the stakeholder list, including the Spanish-speaking community and people/groups that would not normally be involved . The Commission looks forward to meeting with Staff again in July for an update.

IV. ADMINISTRATIVE AGENDA

ACTUAL TIME: 2:48 P.M.

A. Committee and Liaison Reports

1. Staff Hearing Officer Liaison Report
 - a. Commissioner Jordan reported on the meeting of April 1, 2015.
2. Other Committee and Liaison Reports
 - a. Commissioner Campanella reported on Architectural Board of Review meeting of March 30, 2015.
 - b. Commissioner Higgins reported on the Citywide Way-Find Signage Program meeting of March 26, 2015.
 - c. Commissioner Lodge reported on the Water Commission hearing on March 9, 2015.
 - d. Commissioner Lodge reported on the Historic Landmarks Commission meeting of March 25, 2015.

V. ADJOURNMENT

Chair Thompson adjourned the meeting at 2:55 P.M.

Submitted by,

Julie Rodriguez, Planning Commission Secretary