



**BICYCLE MOBILITY ADVISORY COMMITTEE
MEETING MINUTES
January 13, 2010**

Voting Members Present:

Judge Oscar Kazen	Chair
Ken Zigrang (Vice Chair)	Texas Department of Transportation
Annette Prosterman	Alamo Area Council of Governments
Greg Hammer	Citizen
Jeff Russell	Citizen
Abel Gonzales (alt)	Citizen/Cindi Snell
Julia Diana	CoSA Office of Environmental Policy
David Arciniega	CoSA Parks and Recreation Department
John Osten	CoSA Planning and Development Services
Valerie Flinn	Greater Bexar County Council of Cities
Dr. Della Corales	Rotating Bicycle Organization
John Mayfield	San Antonio Wheelmen
Luis Marti	School District Representative
David Foegelle	STORM
Abigail Kinnison	VIA Metropolitan Transit

Voting Members Absent:

Richard Higby	Bexar County
Roger Christian	Citizen
George Aguilar	Law Enforcement/Bicycle Patrol
George Longoria	Texas Bicycle Coalition

Others Present:

Allen Hodapp	Cycle Logic Bicycle Shop
Mona Lisa Zertuche	MPO
Lydia Kelly	MPO

1. Roll Call

Judge Kazen called the meeting to order at 8:04 a.m. and there was a quorum present.

2. Citizens to be Heard

There were no citizens to be heard.

Judge Kazen took the opportunity to thank Allen Hodapp for his service on the Bicycle Mobility Advisory Committee and welcomed Dr. Della Corales as a new committee member.

3. Discussion and Appropriate Action on the November 18, 2009 Meeting Minutes

Judge Kazen asked if there were any corrections to the October 14th meeting minutes. Hearing none he asked for a motion to approve the minutes as presented.

Ken Zigrang moved to approve the November 18, 2009 meeting minutes and David Arciniega seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

4. Discussion and Appropriate Action on Linear Greenways Projects

Greg Hammer updated the committee on the progress of the Linear Creekway Parks Advisory Board. Greg is the District 7 Representative on the committee and updates BMAC on a monthly basis.

There are approximately seventeen miles of paved paths that are currently open and available for riding along the Salado & Leon Creeks and the Medina River. Projects currently under construction include the segments on the central Salado from McAllister Park to Loop 410 and on the south Salado from Comanche Park to South Side Lions Park and are expected to be completed this spring.

Bid openings for the Leon Creek segments from Loop 1604 to Babcock Road and from Bandera Road. to Ingram Road. were scheduled for January 9th and January 13th, respectively, and construction on both segments is anticipated to begin in March 2010. Design work on a disconnected segment along south Leon Creek near Pearsall Park is nearing completion and will include highlighting some nice natural features with interpretive displays and boardwalks.

Planning and early design work is underway for the Medina River Phase 3 segment that will stretch westward to Pleasanton Road.

A resolution has been passed by the Linear Creekway Parks Advisory Board recommending that City Council support a renewal of the voter initiative to continue the collection of sales tax funds for the Linear Creekway Parks Development Program.

The Linear Creekway Parks Advisory Board continues to meet on the last Tuesday of each month at 6:00 p.m. in the City Hall Media Briefing Room.

Information on the linear creekway parks can be found online by visiting <http://www.sanantonio.gov/creekways>.

For information and discussion only.

5. Discussion and Appropriate Action on the Westside Creekways

Abigail Kinnison is a representative for the Westside Creekways Oversight Committee and provides monthly updates on the San Antonio River Authority project. Abigail stated the last public meeting for the Westside Creeks Project will be held on Saturday, February 27th at 9:00 a.m. at the VIA Metro Center. All are encouraged to attend.

For information and discussion only.

6. Discussion and Appropriate Action on the City of San Antonio's Bicycle Initiatives

Julia Diana provided an update on several initiatives the City of San Antonio (CoSA) is currently working on. Julia stated the City of San Antonio has launched an interactive GIS website. She invited everyone to visit the site and provide input. Julie announced that on Friday, January 16th, the City of San Antonio will be launching the Employee Bike Share Program where employees will be able to check out a bicycle during the day. Julie stated that five proposals were received for the City of San Antonio's Bicycle Master Plan Request for Qualifications (RFQ). She distributed the proposals amongst the committee members. Julie also announced the Bike Share/Bike Rental RFQ has had no responses as of to date. Julia noted that no decision had been made for the Texas Department of Transportation Grant Application.

Julia mentioned that February 3rd thru 6th is the Austin Texas Bike Coordinator Conference. She and others from the City of San Antonio will be presenters at the conference.

Julia discussed the cities in Texas who have either adopted or are considering adopting city ordinances with the same language as the failed "Safe Passing Bill". Julia announced that the City of Helotes and Austin, Texas had passed an ordinance outlining a 3 foot clearance requirement for passing vulnerable roadway users and 6 foot clearance requirement for truck or commercial vehicles. She went on to explain the City of San Antonio is looking into a similar ordinance and she will keep the committee informed as the process moves forward.

For information and discussion only.

7. Discussion and Appropriate Action on VIA Metropolitan Transit's Bicycle Initiatives

Abigail Kinnison provides monthly updates on the Bus Rapid Transit project along Fredericksburg Road and VIA's SmartWaySA Long Range Comprehensive Transportation Plan.

There were no updates this month.

For information and discussion only.

8. Discussion and Appropriate Action on Review of the Citizens to be Heard Agenda Item from the October 14, 2009 BMAC Bike Night Meeting

Lydia Kelly announced that 2010 Bike Night Meetings will be April 14th, July 14th and October 13th, 2010 at VIA Metro Center located at 1021 San Pedro. She thanked Abigail, as the VIA representative, for partnering with the MPO on Bike Nights.

Judge Kazen requested Lydia go through each item from citizens to be heard from the October meeting and identify if a response is needed and by whom. Lydia will send out the information before the February meeting.

For information and discussion only.

9. Discussion and Appropriate Action on Rotating Bicycle Organization Alternate position

Lydia Kelly welcomed Dr. Della Corales to her first official meeting as a Bicycle Mobility Advisory Committee member and explained that Dr. Corales' term is two years. Lydia requested approval to post for the Alternate Rotating Bicycle Organization position. The person filling the vacancy will move into the primary position in January 2012.

Abigail Kinnison moved to authorize the announcement of the vacancy. Greg Hammer seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

10. BMAC Communications

John Osten updated BMAC on the City of San Antonio Planning Department's recent planning efforts. He stated that on January 22nd there will be a citizen advisory committee meeting for updating the Master Plan Policies for the City of San Antonio. John stated that apart from the Master Plan Update, there will be eventually seven Sector Plans that would cover the entire city of San Antonio and

its Extra Territorial Jurisdiction (EJT) area. John also stated that the Sector Plans are different from Neighborhood Plans which are parcel based and land use. John noted the Sector Plans will also encompass large areas, including the ETJ. John stated that these plans would include, but are not limited to, community facilities, transportation, land use, economic development, housing, natural environment and urban design.

Abigail Kinnison announced the approved grant for Metro Health. The MPO is has been in discussion with Metro Health to support their efforts by making bike/ped safety classes and helmets available.

Dave Foegelle stated STORM has two upcoming events: January 30th there would be a bike marathon at Flat Ranch in Comfort Texas and March 13th and 14th there will be a cross country race also at Flat Ranch.

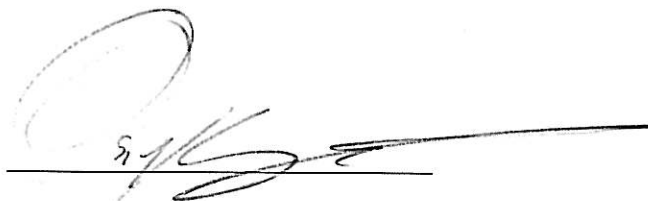
Julia Diana announced there will be a Bicycle Master Plan Advisory Committee formed and if anyone was interested they should contact her.

Ken Zigrang announced that statewide there were \$67 million available in enhancement funding but there were \$250 million in project applications.

Lydia Kelly announced that the 14th annual Walk & Roll event will hopefully be held on May 15th. The location is yet to be finalized. Lydia also requested input for updating the BMAC brochure asking that the suggestions be returned to her by February 27th.

With there being no other business Judge Kazen requested a motion to adjourn.

Julia Diana moved to adjourn the meeting at 9:20 a.m. David Arciniega seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.



**Bicycle Mobility Advisory Committee
Judge Oscar Kazen
Chair**