



**BICYCLE MOBILITY ADVISORY COMMITTEE  
MEETING MINUTES  
June 9, 2010**

**Voting Members Present:**

Judge Oscar Kazen	Chair
Ken Zigrang (Vice Chair)	Texas Department of Transportation
Annette Prosterman	Alamo Area Council of Governments
Richard Higby	Bexar County
Roger Christian	Citizen
David Arciniega (alt)	CoSA Parks and Recreation Department
Valerie Flinn	Greater Bexar County Council of Cities
LT. George Aguilar	Law Enforcement/Bicycle Patrol
Dr. Della Corales	Rotating Bicycle Organization
Jim Doersam	San Antonio River Authority
John Mayfield	San Antonio Wheelmen/John Mayfield
Abigail Kinnison	VIA Metropolitan Transit

**Voting Members Absent:**

Greg Hammer	Citizen
Jeff Russell	Citizen
Cindi Snell	Citizen
Julia Diana	CoSA Office of Environmental Policy
John Osten	CoSA Planning and Development Services
Luis Marti	School District Representative
David Foegelle	STORM
George Longoria	Texas Bicycle Coalition

**Others Present:**

Mona Lisa Zertuche	MPO
Lydia Kelly	MPO

**1. Roll Call**

Judge Kazen called the meeting to order at 8:07 a.m. and there was a quorum present.

**2. Citizens to be Heard**

There were no citizens wishing to speak.

**3. Discussion and Appropriate Action on the April 14, 2010 and May 12, 2010  
BMAC Meeting Minutes**

**Jim Doersam moved to approve the April 14, 2010 minutes as written with corrections. Annette Prosterman seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.**

**Ken Zigrang moved to approve the May 12, 2010 minutes as written. David Arciniega seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.**

**4. Discussion and Appropriate Action on the Linear Greenways Projects**

Greg Hammer was unavailable for an update.

**For information and discussion only.**

**5. Discussion and Appropriate Action on the San Antonio River Authority Projects**

Jim Doersam provided an update of the San Antonio River Authority initiatives.

Park Segment:

Approximately 0.5 mile of the river trail was recently completed that connects Avenue 'B' to the Pearl Brewery (the northern end of the Museum Reach) is open and looking good. Construction on the trail from Avenue 'B' to Avenue 'A' on either side of Mulberry will go out for bid on July 1<sup>st</sup>, and should be complete by January 2011. This will effectively connect Hildebrand to the end of the Museum Reach.

Museum Reach:

The 1.3 mile extension of the Museum Reach was complete in May 2009, and we recently celebrated the 1 year anniversary of it opening. Riders may use the eastern 8 foot wide trail from the Pearl Brewery to the southern end of this stretch at Lexington St.

Blue Star:

The extension of the existing trail that terminates at Guenther St. is under construction at this time, and should be complete by the Spring of 2011.

Eagleland:

The Eagleland trail is approximately 1 mile long, and extends from Blue Star, crosses the river at Brackenridge High School, and continues south to Mission Road at the Lone Star Brewery.

Mission Reach:

The 1.25 mile extension of Phase 1 of the Mission Reach from the Lone Star Brewery to Mitchell St. is nearly complete and should be opened in late summer, which has been delayed slightly to better establish vegetation. The 0.5 mile stretch from Mitchell St. to Theo St. is scheduled to be complete later this year in December 2010.

Phase II that extends from Theo St. to Mission Road is scheduled to be complete in April 2011, plus some time to grow vegetation if needed. Mission Parkway (Mission Rd. at the Riverside Golf Course) is permanently closed to vehicular traffic, and will be open to pedestrian/bicycle traffic in the future. Meanwhile, bicycle traffic must continue south on Mission Rd. to White, turn left to the river at Mission County Park where the trail may be picked up at that point.

The remainder of the Mission Reach improvements (6 miles) to connect the remainder of the trail system to Mission Espada is scheduled to be complete in December 2013.

Jim stated that SARA is preparing a new map prepared (coordinating with Julia's staff) to present at the July meeting to show an update on the trail system with closures, temporary rerouting, etc., from Hildebrand to Mission Espada.

Judge Kazen suggested a Mobile Meeting to a specific project in lieu of a regular BMAC meeting. Lydia is putting a subcommittee together to discuss details.

**For information and discussion only.**

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

Lydia Kelly provided an update for Julia Diana as to what the City of San Antonio is working on.

- Committee on the City of San Antonio Complete Streets Policy is meeting regularly
- Downtown bike ride and run maps are coming soon
- Media campaign concepts and contract for bike share system will go to City of San Antonio City Council on June 17<sup>th</sup>.

**For information and discussion only.**

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

Abigail Kinnison provided an update on VIA's initiatives concerning the Bus Rapid Transit project along Fredericksburg Road and VIA's SmartWaySA Long Range Comprehensive Transportation Plan.

Abigail distributed two handouts that showed the adopted conceptual station design which will include bike amenities. She explained VIA has not decided to purchase the 40 foot or 60 foot bus. VIA has applied for a grant that would allow

the purchase of the longer bus which could allow for bicycles inside. The committee discussed providing a letter of support to VIA to be included in the grant application.

**Richard Higby moved to submit a letter of support to VIA for a 60ft bus. Valerie Flinn seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.**

Lydia will develop a letter of support for Judge Kazen's signature within the next week. Abigail went on to announce the dates for the next round of public meetings for the SmartWaySA Long Range Plan.

**8. Discussion and Appropriate Action Concerning the Development Community and Economic Development Vacancies**

Lydia Kelly reviewed the recommendations of the subcommittee. Lydia noted the subcommittee recommended Phil Crane be invited to join BMAC for the Development Community position. The recommendation of the subcommittee for the Economic Development position was to re-post with more specific information. Per the subcommittee the applications submitted for the Economic Development vacancy did not meet the requirements. Previous applicants will be invited to reapply with the new posting.

There was an extensive discussion on what the qualifications for the Economic Development position requires. Applicants will be asked to specify how they qualify for the particular position.

**Valerie Flinn moved and Abigail Kinnison seconded the motion to approve the recommendation of the subcommittee for the Development Community vacancy, Phil Crane and to repost the Economic Development vacancy. The motion carried unanimously.**

**Abigail Kinnison moved and Valerie Flinn seconded the motion to repost the Economic Development vacancy and to revise the application and to invite the original applicants to reapply with the new form. The motion carried unanimously.**

**9. Discussion and Appropriate Action on the MPO's Regional Biking Travel Patterns Survey**

Lydia Kelly explained the Regional Biking Travel Patterns Survey is underway with the consultants working with the oversight committee made up of the agency bicycle coordinators. ETC Institute is developing survey instruments that will randomly identify 400 cyclists in the region who cycle at least once a week. In

addition, there will be up to 200 additional cyclists identified from bicycle organizations and clubs in the region.

Once identified a sub-sample of 25% of the respondents who participate in the two surveys will be invited to participate in the GPS data collection survey for one week.

The information gathered during the survey will help identify where and when cyclists ride. Distance traveled will be collected as well as speed and other data points that may be of interest to planning for future infrastructure.

Following collection of data, an assessment of the overall results of the surveys will be available to the MPO along with crosstabulations of the survey results of key demographic variables.

This study will provide a baseline for the region as it pertains to the number of cyclists we have in the region and where we travel. This study will be completed prior to October 2010, with the draft report currently scheduled to be presented at the October Bike Night meeting.

**For information and discussion only.**

**10. BMAC Communications**

There were no announcements.

**Abigail Kinnison moved to adjourn the meeting at 10:00 a.m. Annette Prosterman seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.**



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