REGULAR MEETING OF THE
BICYCLE AND PEDESTRIAN
ADVISORY COMMITTEE
CULVER CITY, CALIFORNIA

July 19, 2018
6:00 P.M.

Call To Order & Roll Call

The regular meeting of the Culver City Bicycle and Pedestrian Advisory Committee was called to order at 6:00 P.M. in the Patio Room at City Hall.

Members Present: Andrew Leist, Chair
Jack Galanty, Member
Robyn Tenensap, Member
Dane Twichell, Member
Michelle Weiner, Member

Absent: Danielle Koplinka-Loehr, Member

Staff Present: Charles Herbertson, Public Works Director
Sanjana Mada, Bicycle and Pedestrian Coordinator

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Pledge of Allegiance

The Bicycle and Pedestrian Advisory Committee recited the Pledge of Allegiance.

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Order of the Agenda

Items A-1 and A-2 were moved forward in the agenda.

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Action Items

Item A-1

Administer the Oath of Office to Appointed and Reappointed Committee Members

Sanjana Mada, Bicycle and Pedestrian Coordinator, administered the Oath of Office to reappointed members, Andrew Leist and Michelle Weiner, and to appointed members, George Montgomery and Art Nomura.

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Item A-2

Selection of the Chair and Vice Chair

THE BICYCLE AND PEDESTRIAN ADVISORY COMMITTEE APPOINTED ANDREW LEIST TO SERVE AS CHAIR AND MICHELLE WEINER TO SERVE AS VICE CHAIR OF THE BICYCLE AND PEDESTRIAN ADVISORY COMMITTEE FOR FISCAL YEAR 2018-2019.

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Public Comment for Items NOT On the Agenda

Chair Leist explained procedures for public speaking and invited public comment.

The following member of the audience addressed the Committee:

Mary Daval suggested making West LA College more bike accessible.

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Consent Calendar

Item C-1

Approval of Minutes of the May 17, 2018 BPAC Meeting

THE BICYCLE AND PEDESTRIAN ADVISORY COMMITTEE PASSED A MOTION APPROVING THE MINUTES FOR THE MAY 17, 2018 BPAC MEETING (ABSENT MEMBER KOPLINKA-LOEHR).

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Presentations

Item P-1

Report from Staff

Charles Herbertson, Public Works Director, introduced the presentation on the Culver City Active Transportation Program Cycle IV grant application.

Sanjana Mada, Bicycle and Pedestrian Coordinator, provided a presentation on the Culver City Active Transportation Program Cycle IV grant application.

Discussion ensued between meeting participants, staff and Committee Members regarding aggressive bicycle riders; right of way; not taking space out of the pedestrian path; different options; construction; concern with space issues related to putting in a two-way bicycle lane; concern with a bikeway traversing store fronts; riding and pedestrian behaviors; concern with putting a bike lane in a pedestrian right of way and potential conflicts; and participation by Committee Members at the City Council presentation.

Sanjana Mada, Bicycle and Pedestrian Coordinator, provided an overview of actions by the City Council regarding Bird Scooters; she indicated that Bird and Lime would operate in Culver City with an initial deployment of 200 scooters per operator; she discussed the dynamic cap; initial documents; securing safety for the community; maintenance requirements; balancing; access to the operating agreement; the parking plan; required reports regarding usage and safety; and revenue sharing.

Discussion ensued between staff and Committee Members regarding scooter speed limits; operator responsibility for safety; City impounding of scooters left over 24 hours; enforcement; responsiveness; the six-month trial period; warnings; available options; user requirements; and current riders.

Sanjana Mada, Bicycle and Pedestrian Coordinator, discussed restrictions for riding bicycles on sidewalks in Culver City.

Police Lieutenant noted that sidewalks are engineered for pedestrian travel; he discussed reducing conflicts between pedestrians and moving objects; current use of sidewalks; enforcement and children riding on the sidewalks; limited travel space on the sidewalk; concern that pedestrians are limited to traveling the sidewalk while bicycles and scooters have other routes available; aggressive riders; the downtown area; the inability to regulate speed on the sidewalk; the difficulty of establishing priority or right of way on a sidewalk; concern with injury claims against the City; anticipated behavior; increased possibility of conflicts; discretion with citations for bicyclists; safety for cyclists on the roadways; and the intent of the bicycle network plans to address issues.

Discussion ensued between staff and Committee Members regarding regular bicycle vs. car conflicts; whether it could be allowable for cyclists to use sidewalks, if they are empty, for safety reasons; defining business districts; the vehicle code; a suggestion to take a lane of traffic for bicycles and scooters; taking space away from cars; clarification that motorized vehicles are not allowed on the sidewalk; education; data indicating multiple car and bicycle engagements per week but no bicycle and pedestrian engagements; keeping the status quo; designation of critical segments; electric bike share; making a rule that if bicycles are allowed on a sidewalk that they have no right of way; concern with complicated, hard to follow rules; state code; concern with nebulous wording; requirements that cars and bicycles yield to pedestrians; requiring dismounting before passing pedestrians; the three tiers of electric bikes; current policy identifying Segways as pedestrians; helmet requirements; concern with confusion; addressing issues at the state level; addressing areas with high levels of pedestrian traffic; agreement to focus on bike lanes and building a preferred space for bikes; concern with creating rules before bicycle infrastructure has been established; and Committee consensus not to make changes to requirements at this point.

Sanjana Mada, Bicycle and Pedestrian Coordinator, discussed the Go Human demonstration on Elenda Street; having a parking protected cycle track on Elenda Street from Washington to Culver; the community outreach and engagement

process; planned events; the advisory committee; and she encouraged submission of suggestions.

Discussion ensued between staff and Committee Members regarding the upcoming advisory committee meeting; the cycle track; clarification that there will not be any road closures; the ability of Members to participate in the demonstration and provide feedback at the next BPAC meeting; and encouragement to Committee Members to submit any questions or concerns to staff.

Sanjana Mada, Bicycle and Pedestrian Coordinator, provided an update on the Open Streets grant and the Bicycle and Pedestrian Master Plan, and she discussed holding the discussion on Bike Share pending comment from the City Council.

Discussion ensued between staff and Committee Members regarding the Bicycle Action Plan.

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Public Comment for Items NOT On the Agenda

Chair Leist invited public comment.

No speakers came forward and no cards were received.

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Receipt of Correspondence

Sanjana Mada, Bicycle and Pedestrian Coordinator, indicated that no correspondence had been received.

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Items from Bicycle and Pedestrian Advisory Committee Members/Staff

Member Montgomery discussed helmets and suggested providing recyclable helmets.

Discussion ensued between staff and Committee Members regarding helmets provided by Bird; helmet maintenance and replacement; grants; procurement issues; bicycle infrastructure; agreement to agendize a discussion of

procuring helmets; appreciation to Mary Daval for her comments; appreciation to Women on Bikes; the role of the Committee; providing an opportunity for Members to bring items to the Committee; agreement to add Items for Future Discussion to the regular agenda; the General Plan Update Committee; communication; the Bicycle and Pedestrian Master Plan; the conduit between the Committee and the City Council; and training for new Members.

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Adjournment

There being no further business, at 8:10 P.M., the Bicycle and Pedestrian Advisory Committee adjourned its meeting to a regular meeting on Thursday, September 20, 2018 at 6:00 P.M.

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Sanjana Mada
SECRETARY of the Culver City Bicycle and Pedestrian Advisory Committee
Culver City, California

APPROVED

Andrew Leist
CHAIR of the Culver City Bicycle and Pedestrian Advisory Committee
Culver City, California

I declare under penalty of perjury under the laws of the State of California that, on the date below written, these minutes were filed in the Office of the City Clerk, Culver City, California and constitute the Official Minutes of said meeting.

Jeremy Green
CITY CLERK

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