BICYCLE/PEDESTRIAN ADVISORY COMMITTEE
StanCOG Board Room
1111 I Street, Suite 308
Modesto, CA

Minutes of April 1, 2014 (Tuesday)
5:30 pm

MEMBERS PRESENT: Steve Bonrepos, RJ Corwin, Greg Jacquay, Amy Lucas, Jeff Montgomery, Chuck Shoup

ALSO PRESENT: Carla Alviso, Mike Costa, Jeanette Fabela, Cindy Malekos, (StanCOG); Kari McNickle (Commute Connection)

1. CALL TO ORDER
Chair RJ Corwin called the meeting to order at 5:30 p.m.

2. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

3. ROLL CALL

4. PUBLIC COMMENTS - None

5. CONSENT CALENDAR

A. Motion to Approve Bicycle/Pedestrian Advisory Committee Minutes of 2/4/14

* By Motion (Member Greg Jacquay/Member Steve Bonrepos) and a unanimous vote, the Bicycle/Pedestrian Advisory Committee approved the Consent Calendar.

6. PRESENTATION

A. National Bike to Work Week in Stanislaus County, May 12th through May 16th, 2014
Kari McNickle provided a presentation on the upcoming Bike to Work week in Stanislaus County. She reviewed the scheduled activities and the prizes to be awarded. She outlined three components that help make a successful event and provided a packet of resource information to help members with planning an event in their respective cities. Mike Costa distributed additional resource materials to assist members that included contact information at the jurisdictions. It was also mentioned that information was available online at www.valleybikecommute.com. A discussion followed where the members gave their feedback and got their questions answered.
7. DISCUSSION/ACTION ITEMS

A. Public Review and Comment Period Schedule for the StanCOG Draft 2014 Regional Transportation Plan/Sustainable Communities Strategy (RTP/SCS) (Public Hearing at Policy Board meeting on April 16, 2014)

Mike Costa provided an overview of the Regional Transportation Plan and Sustainable Communities Strategy (RTP/SCS). He stated the Draft 2014 RTP/SCS and Draft Program Environmental Impact Report (PEIR) were released the prior week for a public review and comment period. He stated there would be two public hearings, one at the Policy Board meeting on April 16th in Modesto and the other at the May 21st Policy Board meeting that would be held in Ceres. He encouraged the members to review the documents and to submit any comments they had. The documents would go before the Policy Board for adoption at their June 18th meeting. There was a brief discussion and members’ questions were answered.

B. Upcoming Public Review and Comment Period Schedule for the StanCOG Draft 2015 Federal Transportation Improvement Program (FTIP)

Jeanette Fabela stated that StanCOG staff would soon be releasing the draft 2015 FTIP, which programs projects in FFY 2014/15 through FFY 2017/18. She provided an overview of how the funding was received and gave a timeline for the upcoming 50-day public comment period. She stated there would be a public hearing at the May 21st Policy Board meeting which would be held in Ceres. She encouraged the CAC members to review the document and provide any feedback they had. The draft FTIP would go before the Policy Board for adoption at their June 18th meeting.

8. MANAGEMENT REPORT

On behalf of Carlos Yamzon, Mike Costa provided an update on the Transportation Expenditure Plan. He reported that the Policy Board voted at their March 19th meeting not to go forward with the transportation tax at this time, based on the results of a telephone public opinion poll conducted by EMC Research.

9. MEMBER REPORTS

Jeanette Fabela updated members on the Active Transportation Program (ATP) Grant that encompassed the Transportation Alternative Program (TAP), Recreational Trails Program, Bicycle Transportation Account (BTA), and Safe Routes to School Program (SRTS & SR2S). She said the State had a call for projects and gave an overview of the process. She encouraged the members to contact their local agencies to let them know of any projects of interest. She said that she would provide the Caltrans ATP funding link to Mike Costa to forward to the BPAC members. There was a brief discussion and members’ questions were answered.

Chair RJ Corwin gave a report on the cleanup effort of 26 mile road, after it had been chip sealed. He said that he and member Chuck Shoup had been in touch with the County to let them know that the road cleanup and the Share the Road signs were very much appreciated. He also mentioned that there was a road race in Turlock the previous weekend and that there would be a road race around Lake Woodward next Saturday.

Member Greg Jacquay shared that the City of Turlock had passed their Bicycle Master Plan and that there was going to be a Bicycle Planning focus group for CSU Stanislaus, to possibly get more bike paths in and around the campus.
Mike Costa shared a brief video made by Michael Sacuskie, an engineer with the City of Modesto, outlining a concept for a potential Class 1 bike path connecting MJC East and West campuses. A brief discussion followed.

Member Steve Bonrepos supplied information and comments he had regarding Assembly Bill (AB) 2054, that had been introduced by Assembly member Kristen Olsen, which removed previous restrictions [VC 21968, 1977] on the use of motorized skateboards on public roadways. There was a brief discussion and it was suggested that a discussion item be placed on the June BPAC agenda regarding AB 2054.

10. ADJOURMENT
Chair RJ Corwin adjourned the meeting at 6:57 p.m.

Next Regularly Scheduled BPAC Meeting:
June 3, 2014 (Tuesday) @ 5:30 pm
StanCOG Board Room
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Modesto, CA 95354
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