

City of Los Angeles Bicycle Advisory Committee

Advocacy and Education Sub-Committee

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DRAFT - Meeting Minutes for Tuesday, July 26, 2022 at 7:00pm

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- 1) Call to Order/Introductions
 - a) (Current committee membership: Henny Alamillo, Rob Kadota, Karen Candady, Eli Kaufman, Quirino de la Cuesta, Aubrey Provost, Ade Neff, Mike Kaiser, and John Jones II as of 2/1/22.)
 - b) Rob Kadota, Henny Alamillo, Eli Kaufman, Jennifer Gil, Mike Kaiser and Charlie Ho attended the meeting.
- 2) News and Announcements
 - a) Co-chair Updates (Rob and Henny)
 - b) CicLAvia 2022 dates have been released.
 - i) July 10, 2022 <u>South LA</u>
 - ii) August 21, 2022 <u>Meet the Hollywoods</u>
 - iii) October 9, 2022 <u>Heart of LA</u>
 - iv) December 4, 2022 <u>South LA</u>
 - c) <u>CivSalon: Innovation and Safe Streets</u> Wednesday 6pm, July 20, 2022
 - d) Griffith Park Open St. Freedom Ride July 2, 2022 8am gathering, 9am ride (pilot closure)
- 3) Public Comment for items not on the agenda
 - a) Jennifer Gill announced:
 - i) @LACriticalMass The <u>#OFFICIAL</u> ACCOUNT for America's largest community bicycle ride. Held every last Friday of the month. Meetup: 6:30p/Rollout: 7:29p.
 @Wilshire & Western
 - ii) <u>People for Mobility Justice</u> (PMJ), in collaboration with <u>Public Matters</u> is hosting their annual "Eastside Mural Ride." August 6 @ 9:30 am. <u>Register here.</u>
- 4) Updates from LADOT/METRO/CalTrans
 - a) LADOT Reports and news from Tam Nguyen and Charlie Ho
 - b) Charlie Ho reported that most of LADOTs updates were made at the Bikeways, Planning and Engineering Subcommittee however shared updates on the Venice Blvd Safety which is currently focusing on targeted outreach to critical small stakeholder groups and businesses prior to more general outreach to communities and improvements to San Vicente as well. StreetsLA and LADOTs coordinated work to make changes to streets as they're being repaved has proven to be more challenging and complex that is made

more complicated by staffing shortages in the LADOT Active Transportation group. Charlie referenced the Manual on Uniform Traffic Control Devices for Streets and Highways in his remarks. Here are links to both the Federal and CA versions. Charlie indicated he'd assist LABAC to develop a list of common acronyms and concepts used in the Active Transportation community to help educate/orientate committee members to our work. For example, what's the difference between a bike path, bike lane or bike trail? <u>Bikeways are divided into 4 types of classes.</u> And here is a link to the <u>Caltrans</u> <u>Complete Streets Tool box.</u>

- i) <u>https://mutcd.fhwa.dot.gov/</u>
- ii) https://dot.ca.gov/programs/safety-programs/camutcd
- c) <u>H ttps://ladotlivablestreets.org/projects</u>
 - i) Map of Bikeways in the City of Los Angeles
 - (1) <u>City of LA GIS Hub</u> A geographic information system (GIS) is a system that creates, manages, analyzes, and maps all types of data. GIS connects data to a map, integrating location data (where things are) with all types of descriptive information (what things are like there).
 - ii) Venice Boulevard Safety and Mobility Project (LADOT)
 - (1) <u>https://ladotlivablestreets.org/projects/venice</u>
 - (2) <u>https://www.veniceblvdforall.com/</u>
- d) Metro (LACMTA) Rob is working to develop a working relationship with Metro and the Advocacy and Education subcommittee. A few contacts and suggestions were made to him. Of particular interest is the Metro BEST program.
 - i) Active Transportation Strategic Plan (ATSP)
 - (1) Community Outreach mtg slides
- e) CalTrans
 - i) Active Transportation Program (ATP)
 - ii) <u>cuong.trinh@dot.ca.gov</u> Active Transportation and Complete Streets/ Bicycle and Pedestrian Coordinator
- 5) <u>Review and Approve Minutes</u> from the last sub-committee meeting 5/3/2022
 - a) Minutes were approved by all those present.

6) Old Business

- a) LABAC Special Meeting Retreat Planning Agenda
 - i) Subcommittee members shared their thoughts, suggestions and ideas about what they'd like to get out of a LABAC retreat. Comments should be reflected in the retreat planning agenda document linked above.
- b) Committee outreach efforts and budgetary needs of LABAC
 - i) Zoom account, web site, social media and other ongoing operating costs
 - ii) Goal is to establish a yearly budget that LABAC can utilize in the course of our regular work. It's hoped that the retreat and upcoming city elections will create an opportunity to accomplish this goal.
- c) Ongoing edit of: <u>LABAC Bicycle Resource Guide (WLA)</u> and Central/South LA
 - i) Identify non-profits that accept used bikes as donations
 - ii) Added Music, Art, Literature and Culture section
- d) Ongoing edit of: LABAC Manual
 - i) Additions/Updates LADOT, Metro, Caltrans
 - ii) Additional information that will be added as a result of discussions during meeting include:

- (1) Caltrans Complete Streets Tool box.
- (2) <u>https://mutcd.fhwa.dot.gov/</u>
- (3) https://dot.ca.gov/programs/safety-programs/camutcd

7) New Business

- a) <u>City of LA Bicycle related council files</u>
 - i) <u>21-1115</u> <u>Bicycle Chop Shops / Stolen Bicycle Disassembly / Public Right-of-Way /</u> Prohibition_Ordinance posted/published. Ordinance effective date: August 8, 2022.
 - ii) A lengthy discussion was had about LACBC's concerns that the ordinance unfairly targets people of color and does not do much to reduce bicycle theft in general. LACBC is working on a document that more comprehensively addresses effective deterrents to bike theft. The current draft was shared however is still very much a work in progress. The broader topic of bike theft reduction was felt to be a good fit for the Advocacy and Education subcommittee of LABAC and also compliments the sub committee's efforts around equity, diversity and inclusion too. The issue of "feeling safe" while cycling was a concern expressed that seems also to be an area that the Advocacy and Education committee can work to address along with the Bikeways, Planning and Engineering sub committee to actually make it physically safer to cycle in LA.
- b) LABAC Web Site desired tweaks and updates
 - i) Henny has made a number of changes to the web site and will continue to make as many changes as possible given the website's current structure. A full redesign could emerge from the LABAC retreat as a high priority mid range goal. In the meantime we'll work to improve what we can with what we have. Committee members should email Rob and Henny with suggestions.
- c) Arts and Culture Equity, Diversity, Inclusion and Belongingness (resource sharing)
 - Rob shared some of the resources he's "discovered" that help to broaden our understanding of the diversity of the biking community. Additionally he'd like for more of LABAC's outreach and meeting materials to start to be made available in Spanish. Henny expressed support and is willing to lend a hand to help try to achieve this. Please feel free to forward additional resources to him.
 - ii) <u>Biking While Black short documentary</u> directed and produced by Yolanda Davis-Overstreet, M.A.
 - iii) <u>I Got Stopped on Bike Rides Because I 'Fit' a Description</u> Ade Neff www.Bicycling.com
 - iv) All Bodies On Blkes
 - v) <u>Justin Williams</u> gives his perspective on representation and inclusivity in cycling.
 - vi) Cycling With a Larger Body Ft. Kailey Kornhauser
 - vii) Deaf Cyclist Races Across America Twice
 - viii) Mixed Race Instagram for weekly ride information (@the.mixed.race)

8) Meeting Spotlights

- a) Advocacy Focus Bicycling.com does a feature on <u>Finish the Ride founder, Damien</u> <u>Kevitt</u>
- b) Educational Focus Active Transportation, buzzwords, acronyms and more

9) Sister Organization Spotlights

a) Streets for All & Healthy Streets LA

10) Closing Thoughts, Meeting Feedback and Future Agenda Items - once around the table

a) Thanks were expressed for the changes made in the last couple of months to the format and work of the Advocacy and Education sub committee. Attendance however continues to be a challenge. This meeting was the first time Charlie Ho, a staff member from LADOT was able to join the meeting. A few folks in Metro were identified to invite as well as to promote broader participation of LABAC committee members. Rob and Henny will work on a short elevator pitch to share what's been going on in the committee to entice others to join the sub-committee. The future is bright! And the 6th St. bridge is a mess....

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