

Minutes

Bicycle Advisory Committee of the City of Los Angeles

Planning and Bikeways Engineering Subcommittees joint meeting - Tuesday, January 17, 2023 1:00 p.m.

Attending:

BAC: Glenn Bailey, Jennifer Gill, Phil Armstrong, Michale Schneider, Karen Cannady, Kent Strumpell, Rob Kadota,

Staff: Charlie Ho

Via Zoom. Recording at:

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Bikeways Engineering Subcommittee members: Jennifer Gill (chair), Glenn Bailey, Kent Strumpell, John Laue, Phil Armstrong, Michael Schneider

Planning Subcommittee members: Kent Strumpell (chair), Glenn Bailey, John Laue, Karen Cannady, Taylor Nichols, Phil Armstrong

Minutes

1. Call to Order and Introductions.
2. Public Comment on non-agenda items.

Lionel Mares, Ciclavia in Valley this Sunday 9-4

Michael: continuance of virtual meetings looks favorable. But may need to meet in person in March

>> Need to reserve community room at Hollywood field office on Fountain.

3. Vision Zero Update, Charlie Ho

- Anaheim St. in Wilmington resurfaced, adding bike lanes, center turn lane,
- Central Ave. upgrade bike lane to parking protected bike lanes ,

- Reseda, Complete Street project w/BOE, work ongoing, complet'n anticipated in summer.
- Data analysis contractor on-boarded, to review High Injury Network, Vision Zero progress

Philip had asked Matt Gertz of LADOT for an update, and the opportunity to provide input, on the Vision Zero program's continuing efforts to identify the best methodology to refresh the High Injury Network (HIN) and prioritize strategies City-wide to decide where to put resources. In recent years, the traffic collision data do not show that the statistics for pedestrians and bicyclists are moving in the direction that we want to see. For that reason, he told us at our November 2022 subcommittee meeting that they hired a consultant to take a wholesale look at proposals to update the HIN and perform systemic safety analysis of proactive improvements. Their plan at that time was to get this work underway in the new year.

(more details in Additional Notes, below)

4. Active Transportation project updates. Charlie Ho

- Fountain Ave. test, working on asymmetrical lane geometry, lane w/sharrow, , install late Jan-Feb, Vermont > Kingsley. Eastbound has the most PM traffic, but lane will be added in the westbound direction.
- Venice Bl. east of 405 moving forward, west of 405 on hold (striping removed, bringing CD up to date, awaiting their review)
- Planning grant w/ Metro for Culver City Expo station, 1st-last mile access planning.
- San Fernando Rd. Bike Path, some segments complete, some in construction, awaiting pavement.
- Mid City Greenway, Rosewood to Switzer, more outreach coming, very narrow street,
- LA River, extending LAR bike path, new segment, Riverside to Forest Lawn
The planned path will be approximately 1 mile long between Riverside Drive and 200' East of the CA-134 Forest Lawn Drive On and Off ramps. In design stage, not complete. Planning a community meeting
>> Send Charlie contact info for interested parties who would want to attend.
- Westside cities bikeways project: Connect Del Rey 30% design complete. Ohio Ave. segment is next.

(more details in Additional Notes, below)

5. Hardening bike lanes: bollards, curbs and other options. Michael Schneider, Charlie Ho

- Various options are being used in other cities.
- Design team is open to 10 foot spacing where there are no parked cars, but concern about trip hazard if parked cars. 20' spacing is standard spacing adjacent to parked cars. (note: this has enabled widespread practice of vehicles parking in bike lane).
- Bollards at entrance, OK for 1-way, not for 2-way bike paths.

6. Bike lane closures, notification in advance and resolving closures at inactive developments. Charlie Ho

- short-term closures, <72 hrs cone diversions, staff have stopped sharing these notices w/BAC per our request.
 - long-term closures, will continue sharing notices w/BAC. Sometimes concrete barriers are used.
 - Need consideration for closing one car lane so bikes can still get through safely
 - ADA requires 5' space
- >> Suggestion: explore use of "EXPECT CLOSURE" alert signage before work starts so bike commuters can plan other routes, and/or post warning signs on-street sufficiently in advance of closed area to permit cyclists to find alternate routes.
- Enforcing compliance of guidelines is one challenge.
 - Film crews sometimes put out cones; require this?

>> Committee recommends bringing a motion to full committee addressing the above concerns and suggesting an ordinance be created. Motion to be drafted.

7. Bike lane maintenance, debris removal, prioritization, scheduling. Jennifer Gill

- BSS does the sweeping
- City has a specialized sweeper for protected bike lanes.
- Cleaning is supposed to happen on a regular schedule
- Explore prioritization of streets w/ bike lanes, or particular ones

>> Invite a BSS rep to discuss,

>> Let Charlie know where cleaning is needed on the bike path. City has a cleaning contractor for bike paths

8. Permanent slow streets update.

No report

9. Streets For All update. Michael Schneider

- Secured about \$1mil for Ballona Creek extension feasibility study
- Protected bike lanes on SM Blvd. campaign
- Working on NC elections
- Repaving schedule data matrix improved
- No right turn on red campaign
- Working on state legis: sidewalk riding; disallow use of sharrows on streets with limit over 20mph; strengthening Caltrans Complete St. policy
- Parking in bike lane citation proposed.

10. Road resurfacing schedule-bikeway implementation matrix. For current status, see:

<https://docs.google.com/spreadsheets/d/1yGOX-qIbloDbt8exw-v4Bt1Bs8TZoAOo8wmjvtyD7FU/edit#gid=304220517>

12. Project Suggestion list.

https://docs.google.com/spreadsheets/d/1nG7dZ5QJUd8bsi_VJN3QDh_qhEIG12fsrB913uGkrA/edit#gid=0

13. Announcements

Next Meeting: March 21, 2023, 1:00PM. Pacific Palisades Rm at 100 Main St., 9th floor

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ADDITIONAL NOTES

Charlie Ho to Everyone 1:16 PM

Anaheim St:

Anaheim was resurfaced in November and December in order to install quick-build safety improvements with paint and plastic bollards. This includes a lane reconfiguration with bike lanes and a center turn lane between Figueroa St and Eubank Ave; protected bike lanes between Eubank Ave and Alameda St; protected center turn lanes and a protected intersection for bicyclists; and intersection tightenings. LADOT crews are finishing up work in

the next few weeks, and we will be having a community event on Saturday, February 4th, from 10am to 1pm at Wilmington Waterfront Park to celebrate the improvements and our ATP award of \$32 million for long-term improvements on Anaheim and nearby neighborhood streets. Visit our webpage ladot.lacity.org/anaheim to access a registration link for the event.

Central Ave:

Upgrades to the bike lanes on Central between Century Bl and Imperial Highway from conventional to parking-protected are underway. Resurfacing on Central between Century and 108th St has been slightly delayed to the recent rain and is expected to be complete in February. There will be a celebration event sometime in March, we will provide more information when we have the details.

Charlie Ho to Everyone 1:18 PM

Reseda Bl:

Work continues on the Complete Streets Project with BOE. Sidewalk repair, eleven bus islands, and a pedestrian island have been installed. The work left to be done is signal work, including upgrades to include protected left turn signals. We anticipate these upgrades will be done in late spring/early summer 2023, at which point resurfacing and striping of the protected bike lanes will take place.

Charlie Ho to Everyone 1:47 PM

The bike path is approximately 1 mile long between Riverside Drive and 200' East of the CA-194 Forest Lawn Drive On and Off ramps.

Lionel Mares to Everyone @Charlie: should we reach out to the Walk Bike Burbank Group?

The Walk Bike Burbank Group is working on Bicycle Network in the City of Burbank and that includes connecting to Griffith Park/L.A. River Bike Path.