



**Citizens Advisory Committee
Bicycle/Pedestrian Subcommittee**

December 9, 2015

12:30 p.m. – 2:00 p.m.

600 South Main Street, Orange, California, 92868

Conference Room 103/4

Agenda

1. **Welcome/Chairman's Remarks** *Roy Shahbazian, Subcommittee Chair*

2. **Planning Update** (15 min) *Paul Martin, Active Transportation Coordinator*

3. **I-405 Improvement Project Update** (20 min) *Jeff Mills, Program Manager, Highway Programs*

4. **SR-55 Improvement Project Update** (15 min) *Steven King, Project Manager, Highway Programs*

5. **Marketing Update** (15 min) *Nathan Wheadon, Marketing Administrator*

6. **State Active Transportation Program Cycle 2 Status** (5 min) *Louis Zhao, Sr. Transportation Funding Analyst*

7. **OCTA 2016 Bicycle Corridor Improvement Program** (5 min) *Louis Zhao, Sr. Transportation Funding Analyst*

8. **Subcommittee Member Comments** *Roy Shahbazian, Subcommittee Chair*

9. **Public Comments** *Roy Shahbazian, Subcommittee Chair*

10. **Adjournment / Next Meeting**
March 15, 2016

Agenda Descriptions/Public Comments on Agenda Items

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CAC Bicycle/Pedestrian Subcommittee

Meeting Minutes

September 15, 2015

1:00 p.m. – 2:30 p.m.

600 South Main Street, Orange, California, 92868

Conference Room 103/4

1. Welcome/Chairman's Remarks

Roy Shahbazian, Chair, welcomed the committee members.

2. Planning Update

Carolyn Mamaradlo, Transportation Analyst

Carolyn Mamaradlo provided an update on the OC Foothills Bikeways Collaborative and OCTA's activities since the roundtable in September. Community engagement efforts resulted in changes to the corridor alignments and evaluation criteria weighting to prioritize safety along bikeway corridors. Carolyn shared the updated proposed corridors map and next steps.

Barry Duffin suggested that during future roundtables, OCTA focus on getting attendees to engage in the conversation. Brian Cox agreed that listening is the most valuable tool during these roundtable discussions. Alice Rogan said that she observed more questions being asked at last week's roundtable than comments being given.

Carolyn welcomed the group to provide more feedback on the corridors for consideration as part of the development of the final report that will be shared with the OCTA Board in December. Brian said there are a number of areas with insufficient class two bike lanes with inconsistent striping that need to be addressed. Barry said the key to promoting cycling is to make cyclists feel safe and that they belong on the road. Brian said more "Bicycles May Use Full Lane" signs and sharrows can be used to alert motorists to where a cyclist is allowed to ride. Jeff Thompson said being on the road is a challenge and his goal is to get to an off-street trail, but he thinks that continuous striping would be a big help as well.

Paul Martin, Active Transportation Coordinator

Paul Martin made several quick announcements:

- OCTA has been coordinating with the Southern California Association of Governments (SCAG) on an educational and safety campaign that will encourage more active transportation travel.
- Paul Martin encouraged the subcommittee members to check out the Wilshire Bike Boulevard demonstration project in the City of Fullerton, funded by SCAG, which will go live mid-October for a six-week timeframe.
- OCTA and OC Parks has been developing a simplified version of an engineering technical study about closing the gaps in the OC Loop that will be used to obtain state or federal funding and for public distribution.
- Paul Martin distributed a flyer for an upcoming OC Parks workshop on October 7th that will discuss creating a bikeway through Peters Canyon Regional Park.

- OCTA is waiting to see if it will be awarded funds from the state to help fund a larger active transportation plan within Orange County.
- Paul Martin distributed an article about a new campaign by the U.S. Surgeon General called Step It Up that encourages more walking throughout the U.S.

3. Active Transportation Campaigns

Nathan Wheadon, Marketing Administrator

Nathan Wheadon gave a recap of the Wrong Way Riding Campaign, which focused its efforts on a video, brochure and a webpage, and a preview of the upcoming Visibility Campaign, which will have a grassroots approach, emphasize hands-on education, and focus on reaching students, parents and educators.

4. Upcoming Events

Nathan Wheadon, Marketing Administrator

Nathan Wheadon reviewed upcoming events that OCTA will be involved in, including the Huntington Beach Green Forum and Expo, an event at Fairhaven Elementary School, the open streets event in Garden Grove (Re:Imagine Garden Grove), the Teen Driver Safety Fair in Mission Viejo, National Walk to School Day activities, the open streets event in Santa Ana (SOMOS), and the Cal Bike Summit in San Diego.

Paul Adams suggested materials used at these events and in campaigns be translated into Asian languages in addition to English and Spanish. Nathan said that, while the last video was produced in English and Spanish, handouts have been printed in English, Spanish, Korean, Chinese and Vietnamese. Paul Adams recommended OCTA also reach out to Mayor Tri Ta from the City of Westminster and Councilmember Michael Vo from the City of Fountain Valley. Roy Shahbazian said with the recent bicycle fatality in Santa Ana, he appreciates OCTA working with schools more moving forward.

5. Capital Projects Update

Paul Martin, Active Transportation Coordinator

Paul Martin provided the subcommittee with an update on the I-405 Improvement Project, including background, existing condition, planned overcrossing replacements, project schedule, and how public input has been incorporated into the design of the project. Paul Martin shared two representative examples, having to do with free-right turn lanes and option lanes, of how the design team is trying to accommodate cyclist and pedestrian safety.

Based on the second example that was shown (Talbert Ave.), Jeff Thompson suggested that since the option lane could not be eliminated due to traffic volume, OCTA and Caltrans consider additional striping and signage to alert motorists to the presence of cyclists and pedestrians.

Brian Cox suggested that in areas like the first example (Beach Blvd.), sharrows and “Bicycles May Use Full Lane” signs be used. He also suggested slower motorist speeds across these types of intersections. Caltrans staff talked about the use of sharrows and additional signage was also discussed as a viable option.

Roy Shahbazian said the “Bicycles May Use Full Lane” signs would be helpful for both types of intersections, but especially for ones like Talbert Ave. where there is an option lane.

Barry Duffin said as a cyclist he would not use the alternative bike path option outlined in blue on the Talbert Ave. example because it is challenging to cross two lanes of traffic going onto the freeway without any signal control. Barry suggested that implementing a signalized crosswalk is a worthy investment. Roy asked if engineers could use the knowledge of gaps in traffic to implement a signalized crosswalk that coordinates with the traffic patterns. Paul Martin said there may be a possibility to coordinate a pedestrian signal with the traffic signals downstream.

Paul Martin suggested OCTA hold a roundtable with any interested subcommittee members to discuss the plans in more detail. The subcommittee agreed that this was a good idea.

Leonard Lahtinen asked that the Caltrans *Complete Intersections: A Guide to Reconstructing Intersections and Interchanges for Bicyclists and Pedestrians* publication be distributed to all subcommittee members. Paul Martin said it is available to the public through the Caltrans website.

6. Subcommittee Member Comments

Roy Shahbazian, Chair

Paul Adams, Jeff Thompson, and Barry thanked OCTA staff for their work and Caltrans for actively participating in the dialogue.

Leonard Lahtinen said he found some great bicycling trails while in Kearney, Nebraska, many using abandoned railroad tracks, and that the community has implemented an amazing network for cyclists and pedestrians.

Brian Cox announced that Assembly Bill 902 (Traffic violations: diversion programs) is on the governor’s desk to be signed, which will allow cyclists of all ages who get tickets to go to bicycle training school.

7. Public Comments

Roy Shahbazian, Chair

Marina Ramirez, Santa Ana Active Streets Coalition, likes the Visibility Campaign, the idea of the quick cards to educate the community instead of ticketing people, and the humorous approach to the videos. She went on to mention that they will also be participating on a panel for the Cal Bike Summit and invited the subcommittee to come to a SOMOS event planning meeting tomorrow, September 16th. Marina also attended the OC Foothills roundtable the previous week and challenged OCTA staff and the subcommittee members to consider the more inexperienced cyclists moving forward.

8. Adjournment

Roy Shahbazian, Chair

The next meeting is tentatively scheduled for December 15, 2015.

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Bicycle/Pedestrian Subcommittee
Fiscal Year 2015-2016 Attendance Record

● = Present

⊙ = Absent

R = Resigned

Members	9/15/15	12/09/15	3/15/16	6/21/16
Adams, Paul	●			
Buck, Vince	⊙			
Cox, Brian	●			
Duffin, Barry	●			
Garner, Tom	⊙			
Kalmick, Dan	⊙			
Lahtinen, Leonard	●			
Reimer, Laurel	⊙			
Shahbazian, Roy	●			
Thompson, Jeff	●			