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January 6, 2005

City Attorney
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Department of Transportation

RE: NOTE AND FILE THE DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION REPORT RELATIVE TO
STATUS REPORT ON THE ACTIVITIES OF THE BICYCLE ADVISORY COMMITTEE
STAFFED AND SUPPORTED BY THE DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

At the meeting of the Council held January 5, 2005, the following action
was taken:

Attached report adopted.....	_____X_____
Attached motion (-) adopted.....	_____
Attached resolution adopted.....	_____
FORTHWITH.....	_____
Mayor concurred	_____
To the Mayor FORTHWITH	_____
Motion adopted to approve communication recommendation(s).....	_____
Motion adopted to approve committee report recommendation(s)...	_____
Ordinance adopted.....	_____
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TO THE COUNCIL OF THE
CITY OF LOS ANGELES

Your

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COMMITTEE

reports as follows:

	<u>Yes</u>	<u>No</u>
Public Comments	<u>XX</u>	

TRANSPORTATION COMMITTEE REPORT relative to a status report on the activities of the Bicycle Advisory Committee (BAC) staffed and supported by the Department of Transportation (DOT).

Recommendation for Council action:

NOTE and FILE the DOT report dated August 17, 2004 relative to reporting the status of the BAC inasmuch as this report is for information only and no Council action is required.

Fiscal Impact Statement: Not applicable.

Summary:

The BAC is a citizen's advisory committee appointed by City Council and the Mayor to advise the City on matters relative to the encouragement and facilitation of bicycling as a regular means of transportation and recreation in the City of Los Angeles. The membership of the BAS is composed of appointees from each Council District and four appointees from the Mayor. The Mayor also appoints the chairperson. In addition, the BAC has four standing subcommittees: Planning, Bikeways, Education and Promotion, and Advocacy.

At its September 22, 2004 meeting, your Committee considered a DOT status report relative to the activities of the BAC as staffed by the DOT. After its review, the Committee moved to note and file the motion, inasmuch as this report is for information only and no Council action is required.

This matter is now forwarded to the Council for its consideration.

Respectfully submitted,

TRANSPORTATION COMMITTEE



MEMBER	VOTE
VILLARAIGOSA:	YES
SMITH:	YES
LABONGE:	ABSENT

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ADOPTED

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LOS ANGELES CITY COUNCIL

COUNCIL VOTE

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Items for Which Public Hearings Have Been Held - Items 14-37
Voting on Item(s): 14-16,18,20-21,23-36
Roll Call

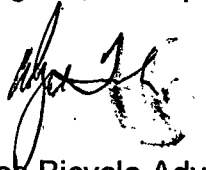
CARDENAS	Yes
GARCETTI	Yes
GREUEL	Yes
HAHN	Yes
LABONGE	Yes
LUDLOW	Absent
MISCIKOWSKI	Absent
PARKS	Yes
PERRY	Yes
REYES	Yes
SMITH	Absent
VILLARAIGOSA	Yes
WEISS	Yes
ZINE	Yes
*PADILLA	Yes

Present: 12, Yes: 12 No: 0

CITY OF LOS ANGELES
INTERDEPARTMENTAL CORRESPONDENCE

Date: August 17, 2004

To: The Honorable City Council
c/o City Clerk, Room 395, City Hall
Attention: Honorable Antonio Villaraigosa, Transportation Committee

From: Wayne K. Tanda, General Manager
Department of Transportation 

Subject: Status of Activities of the Los Angeles Bicycle Advisory Committee

Summary

The Transportation Committee requested a status report on the activities of the Bicycle Advisory Committee (BAC) staffed and supported by the City's Department of Transportation. This report provides the Transportation Committee with a history, overview, and the work of the BAC to date.

Recommendation

That the City Council Note and File this report, as this report provides information only with no Council action required.

Discussion

Background

The Bicycle Advisory Committee (BAC) is a citizen's advisory committee appointed by City Council and the Mayor to advise the City on matters relative to the encouragement and facilitation of bicycling as a regular means of transportation and recreation in the City of Los Angeles. The BAC meets the first Tuesday of every even month (February, April, etc.) at 7 PM at the Department of Water and Power Board Room, 111 N. Hope Street, Los Angeles, California, 90012. The meetings are open to the public and an agenda is prepared in advance and posted on the City's website and at City Hall in accordance with the Brown Act. The BAC agenda packages are also mailed out to the City Council Offices and other relevant agency staff. Agendas and minutes are available to the public via email upon request.

The membership of the BAC is composed of appointees from each Council member with four appointees from the Mayor. The Mayor also appoints the Chairperson. In addition, the BAC has four standing subcommittees: Planning, Bikeways, Education and Promotion, and Advocacy. These subcommittees meet on the odd months when

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the BAC does not hold its regular meeting. These meetings are also calendared and open to the public. Currently, the BAC's membership stands at fifteen with four vacancies. Vacancies exist from one of the Mayor's appointees, as well as from Council members from the 9th, 10th and 14th Council Districts.

The BAC has a Charter (attachment 1) adopted by the membership of the committee on June 4, 2002. The Charter summarizes the purpose of the BAC, its basic structure, membership and meetings. The BAC is staffed by the Department of Transportation (DOT) and each meeting is attended by the Bicycle Coordinator and the Bikeways Engineer. DOT staff prepares and distributes the BAC agenda package, takes meeting minutes, prepares for and staffs sub-committee meetings, and prepares correspondence, maintains the BAC member roster (attachment 2), and responds to individual requests and concerns of the BAC members.

History

The Bicycle Advisory Committee was formed in 1975 as an outgrowth of the Bike Centennial movement to facilitate the inclusion of bicycle facilities on Los Angeles roadways. At that time Mayor Tom Bradley created the BAC and appointed the first Chairman, Alex Baum. Chairman Baum has subsequently been reappointed to the Chairmanship by Mayor's Richard Riordan and James Hahn. In May of 2002, the City Council recognized Mr. Baum for his extensive years of service to the bicycle as a mode of transportation and recreation, and the Los Angeles River Bike Path Bridge was named in his honor.

The BAC has played a pivotal role in the City, through various efforts, to make bicycling a more accepted mode of transportation and recreation. The BAC advocated for the City's first Bicycle Plan and continues to support efforts by City Planning to update the document in 2005. The BAC also supported the hiring of a Bicycle Coordinator to work directly with DOT's engineering staff on the development and implementation of bicycle projects citywide.

Current Status

The Committee responds to the needs of the bicycling community by holding special meetings to address engineering projects which impact bicyclists and its committee members support efforts of cycling groups to bring more visibility to bicycling as a transportation mode. BAC members are also involved with the City by serving on their Neighborhood Councils and many conduct meetings with other City Departments (LAPD, Recreation and Parks, Public Works, Planning) to ensure that the City's policies that affect bicycling are being supported and enforced. In addition, the BAC has been instrumental in the promotion of the bicycle to replace the automobile by working with the Environmental Affairs Department to secure funding for Park Rangers, Parking Enforcement and LAPD Officers Bike Patrols.

The Subcommittees of the BAC are also working on various projects designed to make the City a more viable place for bicycle transportation. Items in progress include an update of the City's bicycle parking ordinance, the development of a scooter ordinance for bicycle paths, a review of ongoing bikeway engineering projects, Bike-to-Work Day activities, and support and encouragement of the bicycle plan update.

Bicycle Advisory Committee Accomplishments

The following is a summary of some of the major accomplishments of the BAC to date:

- Establishment of the BAC by Mayor Bradley through the efforts of BAC Chairman Alex Baum.
- Encouragement of the development of the Bicycle Corridor Plan developed by City Planning.
- Establishment of DOT school children's bicycle education program (School Bicycle Safety and Transit Education Program) in conjunction with LAUSD.
- Encouraged the development of a Los Angeles River Bicycle Path through the establishment of a steering committee established through Mayor Bradley's office.
- Encouraged the establishment, and participated in the selection, of the City's Bicycle Coordinator position.
- Support of, and technical advice provided, to the development of City's Bicycle Plan, a section of the City's Transportation element of the General Plan, adopted by City Council in 1996.
- Developed and supported the establishment of the Bicycle Parking and Shower ordinances within the municipal code (LAMC 12.21 A 16, LAMC 91.6307.1, LAMC 91.6307.2, and LAMC 91.6307.3) which require bicycle parking and showers in new and renovated development over 10,000 square feet.
- Supported the development of, and ongoing funding for, LAPD Bicycle Patrols.
- Encouraged the establishment of the Bike Rack on Buses program established by the Los Angeles County Metropolitan Transportation Authority.
- Worked with the Environmental Affairs Department for the provision of new bicycles to the LAPD, LADOT and Recreation and Parks Rangers Bicycle Patrols using clean air funding provided by the South Coast Air Quality Management District.
- Recommended, encouraged, and supported multiple bicycle lane projects throughout the City.
- Encouraged the development of the Mayor's Neighborhood Bicycle Ride which hosted over 60 community bicycle rides by Mayor Richard Riordan.
- Encouraged and supported the City Attorney's Neighborhood Bicycle Rides which are ongoing.

Fiscal Impact Statement

No impact on the General Fund.

Coordination

No coordination required, as this report provides information only with no Council action required.

attachments

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City of Los Angeles Bicycle Advisory Committee

Charter

adopted by the membership on June 4, 2002

I Name

This committee, established in 1973 by the Mayor of the City of Los Angeles, shall be named the Bicycle Advisory Committee (BAC).

II Purpose

The purpose of the BAC is to act in an advisory capacity to the Mayor, City Council Members, and the various agencies of the government of the City of Los Angeles in the encouragement and facilitation of the use of the bicycle as regular means of transportation and recreation.

The charge of the BAC is to serve at the pleasure of the Mayor and City Council in an advisory capacity on bicycling in the City of Los Angeles. To that end the BAC may:

A. Establish an ongoing **Planning Subcommittee** of the BAC to review the objectives and programs of the Bicycle Plan (a part of the Circulation Element of the City General Plan and the Community Plan process) and other planning related activities to make recommendations on updates to the Mayor's Office, City Council, and affected city departments.

B. Establish an ongoing **Bikeways Subcommittee** of the BAC which will review preliminary bikeway plans with Bikeway Engineering staff for the implementation of bikeways in the City of Los Angeles.

C. Establish an ongoing **Education and Promotion Subcommittee** of the BAC which will review and support educational, promotional, and law enforcement programs related to bicycle use and safety.

D. Establish an ongoing **Advocacy Subcommittee** of the BAC which will inform the public and work with advocacy groups regarding existing and proposed bikeway and bicycle programs as well as legislation pertaining to bicycling; as well as encourage public participation in identifying problem areas, reviewing existing facilities, and planning and supporting new ones.

III Membership

BAC membership is established by the appointment of four nominees representing the Mayor's Office and one nominee representing each Council District. Each BAC member is expected to regularly communicate in writing with their respective council member and staff as well as the Mayor's Office and staff. Copies of such correspondence should be forwarded to the Bikeways Section of LADOT to be filed accordingly.

IV Officers

A Chairperson shall be appointed by the Mayor.

V Meetings

Regular meetings of the BAC shall be held on the first Tuesday of the month during the even months of February, April, June, August, October and December in a public room open and accessible to members of the public. Subcommittees shall meet during a regularly established time and place open and accessible to the public. Minutes of the full BAC meetings and of any correspondence authorized by the committee shall be the responsibility of the Bikeways Section of the LADOT. Records of the minutes and any correspondence authorized shall be made available in response to written requests by the general public. Agendas for BAC meetings and BAC Subcommittee meetings will be posted and made available to the public.

Bicycle Advisory Committee of the City of Los Angeles

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