



MINUTES

MOBILITY COMMISSION

Wednesday-February 19, 2020, 7:00pm
Development Center – Niles Conference Room
39550 Liberty Street, Fremont CA 94538

These notes are draft in nature and will not be final until approved by the Mobility Commission on a future date

CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order at 7:00 pm by Noe Veloso

ROLL CALL

Members Present:

Nisar Ahmed (arrived at 7:10 pm)
Melissa Avery
Julie Huang
Flavio Poehlmann
Mark Spencer
Stephen Tu
Erin Vaca
Ken Wu

Members Absent:

None

Staff Present:

Hans Larsen, Public Works Director
Noe Veloso, Assistant City Engineer
Bronwen Lacey, Senior Deputy City Attorney
Matthew Bomberg, Senior Transportation Engineer
Natalie Khwaja, Management Analyst II
Eliza Villaluz, Senior Office Specialist

SCHEDULED ITEMS

1. Election of Chair and Vice Chair

Noe Veloso explained the roles of Chair and Vice Chair. Commissioner Spencer volunteered to be Chair, seconded by Commissioner Tu. Following discussion, the commission unanimously approved Commissioner Spencer as Chair.

On a motion by Commissioner Wu, seconded by Commissioner Poehlmann and following discussion, the Commission unanimously approved Commissioner Tu as Vice Chair.

2. Approval Of Minutes

The Commission unanimously approved the January 15, 2020 regular meeting minutes noting the change of the Work Session with City Council as moving from April 14, 2020 to April 21, 2020.

3. Review of Policies

Bronwen Lacey reviewed the Brown Act and Commission attendance policy. A handout was provided and questions from the Commission were addressed.

4. Work Plan and Working Groups

Hans Larsen provided a presentation on the suggested working groups based on City Council and community priorities that were identified through the Mobility Action Plan process. The Commission agreed to the working groups shown below with the associated Commission volunteers.

- Safe Route to Schools - Commissioners Avery (lead), Huang, Poehlmann, Vaca
- Communications – Commissioners Vaca (lead), Poehlmann, Tu, Wu
- Mode Shift – Commissioners Spencer (lead), Ahmed, Poehlmann, Wu

Public Comment - Andreas Kadavanich asked that the Commission review Fremont's Municipal Code 2.20.040 regarding citizen working groups. Kadavanich provided comments on the benefits of the open forum process used by the former Bicycle and Pedestrian Technical Advisory Committee's.

5. Public Communications

Andrew Sass provided information on the 47th Annual Primavera Century ride on April, 19, 2020. He also shared his concerns regarding the Walnut Avenue Bikeway Project.

William Yragui (Mission Peak Conservatory) expressed concern with the lack of discussion on the Trail Strategy Plan.

Steve Skala stated that traffic congestion and mode shift must be addressed and the importance of getting community feedback on upcoming projects. He noted that he participated in BPTAC since 2003.

Kelly Abreu commented on lack of funding for bicycle and pedestrian infrastructure with large regional transportation projects.

Andreas Kadavanich (Bike Fremont) provided his support for projects like the Walnut Avenue Bikeway Project. He encouraged the Commission to be active in the community and attend community meetings.

6. Staff Report

Hans Larsen provided a slide presentation and briefly updated the Commission on the following:

- Fremont Mobility Summit
- BART Extension to Silicon Valley
- I-680 Express Lane at Sunol Grade
- Traffic Signal Modernization
- Warm Springs BART West Access Bridge
- Walnut Avenue Bikeway & 2020 Bike Month
- Emerging Technology and the launch of the Pony.ai “Robo Taxi” pilot
- AC Transit Service Modernization
- Fremont awarded the national “Vision Zero” for Youth leadership award
- Traffic Safety and proposed City Council action to reduce speed limits
- Trails Strategy Plan
- Major Transportation Projects
- Plan Bay Area 2050

7. Adjournment

Meeting was adjourned at 9:25 pm