

MEMORANDUM September 13, 2013

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- To: Members, Pedestrian Mobility Advisory Committee
- From: Allison Blazosky, Bicycle/Pedestrian Transportation Planner
- Subject: Meeting Notice and Agenda

The next meeting of the **Pedestrian Mobility Advisory Committee (PMAC)** is scheduled for

Wednesday, September 18, 2013 at 3:30 p.m. at the MPO office located at 825 S. St. Mary's Street, San Antonio, Texas 78205.

The following agenda items will be discussed and action will be taken as appropriate.

Agenda

- 1. Roll Call
- 2. Discussion and Appropriate Action on the July 17, 2013 PMAC Meeting Minutes (Allison Blazosky/MPO)
- Discussion and Appropriate Action on Age Well Live Well (Kimberly Meyers/Age Well Live Well)
- 4. Discussion and Appropriate Action to Designate a Subcommittee to Draft a Unified Development Code (UDC) Amendment in Support of the Pedestrian Safety Action Plan (Allison Blazosky/MPO and Robert Hanley/PMAC Chair)
- 5. Discussion and Appropriate Action on re:Streets (Allison Blazosky/MPO)
- 6. Citizens to be Heard
- 7. PMAC Communications

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1. Roll Call

| Robert Hanley | Chairman | | 210-829-5858 |
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| Abigail Kinnison (Vice Chair) | Sr. Service Planner | VIA Planning | 210-362-2564 |
| Annette Prosterman | Transportation Coordinator Projects Manager | AACOG | 210-362-5213 |
| Brenda Williams (Alt) | | AACOG | 210-362-5246 |
| Daniel Ludwig | Citizen | Bexar ADA Council | 210-492-6554 |
| Adam Chavarria | Ped. Coord | Bexar County | 210-335-3840 |
| Brian Crowell (Primary) | At Large | Citizen | 210-798-1895 |
| Rachel Cywinski (Primary) | At Large | Citizen | 210-532-4123 |
| Chip Henderson (Alternate) | At Large | Citizen | 210-824-8758 |
| David Clear | Built Environ. Coord. | CSA Metro Health | 210-207-2002 |
| Martha Banda (Alt) | Sr. Mgt. Analyst | CSA Metro Health | 210-207-5262 |
| David Arciniega | Sr. Planner | CSA Parks & Rec. | 210-207-2886 |
| Rebecca Paskos | Sr. Planner | CSA Planning & Community Dev. | 210-207-7816 |
| Bill Cooper Tom Fraser | Representative | GBCCC | 210-684-5188 |
| Darcie Schipull | Ped. Coord. | TXDOT | 210-615-6003 |
| Bert Pickell | At Large | Walking Organization | 210-273-7983 |
| Ex-Officio | | | |
| Judy Babbitt | | CoSA Disability Office | 210-207-7957 |
| David Frost | | VIA ADA | 210-362-5101 |

2. Discussion and Appropriate Action on the July 17, 2013 PMAC Meeting Minutes

Issue

The draft July 17, 2013 meeting minutes are attached for your review.

Action Requested

A motion to approve the July 17, 2013 meeting minutes is requested.



Pedestrian Advisory Mobility Committee Meeting Minutes July 17, 2013

Voting Members Present:

Robert Hanley Abigail Kinnison (Vice Chair) Annette Prosterman Adam Chavarria Daniel Ludwig Brian Crowell David Arciniega Rebecca Paskos Darcie Schipull Bert Pickell

Chair VIA Metropolitan Transit Alamo Area Council of Governments Bexar County Bexar ADA Council Citizen CoSA Parks and Recreation Department CoSA Planning & Community Development TxDOT Walking Organization

Members Absent:

Rachel Cywinski Martha Banda Bill Cooper

Others Present:

Trish Wallace Allison Blazosky Jaclynn Cedillo Citizen CoSA Metro Health GBCCC

CoSA Planning & Community Development SA-BC MPO SA-BC MPO

1. Roll Call

Allison Blazosky called the meeting to order at 3:35 p.m. A quorum was present.

2. Discussion and Appropriate Action on the May 15, 2013 PMAC Meeting Minutes

Daniel Ludwig moved to approve the May 15, 2013 PMAC meeting minutes. Annette Prosterman seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

3. Discussion and Appropriate Action on an update regarding the Pedestrian Safety Action Plan

Allison Blazosky reviewed to whom the PSAP has been presented as of July 17, 2013, which includes the following mayors/and or representatives of the Greater Bexar County Council of Governments in the region:

- City of Converse
- City of Balcones Heights
- City of Castle Hills
- City of Fair Oaks Ranch
- City of Helotes
- City of Kirby
- City of Leon Valley
- City of Live Oak
- City of Schertz
- City of Shavano Park
- City of Somerset

The PSAP has also been presented to the following agencies and organizations:

- Regional members of the Institute of Transportation Engineers (October 2012)
- Northeast Partnership (January 10, 2013)
- CoSA Development Services Department's Traffic and Right of Way Engineering Division (March 7, 2013)
- American Institute of Architects' San Antonio Chapter (April 22, 2013)

Upon discussion among the committee members, it was decided that Blazosky should reach out to City of San Antonio Council District 5 and Leon Valley City Council about presenting the PSAP.

Blazosky reviewed the goals and implementation strategy for the PSAP (Ch. 4 & 6). PMAC members agreed that a systematic tabulation of pedestrian safety improvements made throughout the region since PSAP was published is needed. This could be accomplished through:

- VIA ridership information by corridor Abigail Kinnison has agreed to provide this data. Blazosky stated this could be compared to the number of pedestrian crashes to produce a measure of pedestrian crash trends, as mentioned in the PSAP.
- Any pedestrian improvements completed in San Antonio and other jurisdictions since the PSAP - Blazosky agreed to work with CoSA's Public Works and Planning & Development departments to obtain this

information as well as reach out to other jurisdictions for their improvements.

- TxDOT projects with pedestrian improvements completed in the last year
 Darcie Schipull will serve as first contact.
- Bexar County's recently completed projects Daniel Ludwig and Adam Chavarria agreed to follow up with Blazosky.

Allison will organize data and provide PMAC members an update at the next PMAC meeting. It is desired that an update on the progress of pedestrian accommodations within the region can be made to TAC and TPB in the coming months.

Committee members discussed the Unified Development Code (UDC) as another option to further the goals of the PSAP. Robert Hanley requested that a discussion about UDC amendments be placed on the next agenda so that PMAC can work on writing UDC verbiage that would serve as a best-practice example to regional jurisdictions.

For information and discussion only.

4. Discussion and Appropriate Action on an upcoming Walkable Community Workshop for the Wheatley Choice Neighborhood.

Blazosky stated the San Antonio Housing Authority (SAHA) approached the MPO with a request to hold a Walkable Community Workshop (WCW) for the Wheatley Choice Neighborhood (also known as Eastside Choice Neighborhood) on San Antonio's Eastside. Blazosky stated this is an opportunity for PMAC members to discuss how goals and project improvement criteria outlined in the Pedestrian Safety Action Plan coincide with the study area of the upcoming WCW and provide input for the workshop planning process to revitalize the community.

PMAC members suggested the following plans could be helpful in Blazosky's preparation of the workshop: ULI's Eastside design charrette, the MPO's East Corridor Multi-Modal Alternatives Plan and SAHA's application to HUD (Eastside Choice Neighborhood Transformation Plan). Bert Pickell stated he would forward contact information of walking contacts he has on the Eastside.

For information and discussion only.

5. Citizens to be Heard

There were none.

6. **PMAC** Communications

Allison Blazosky introduced herself to PMAC members. Allie joined the SA-BC MPO in June 2013. As the Bicycle/Pedestrian Transportation Planner, she works to increase awareness of and participation in active transportation modes through outreach, community education and facility planning. Allison coordinates the Bicycle and Pedestrian Mobility Advisory Committees (BMAC and PMAC) and leads the MPO's Walkable Community program. Allison holds a Masters of Urban Planning from Texas A&M University and a Bachelor of Arts in English from Trinity University.

There will be no PMAC meeting for the month of August. Allison invited PMAC members to attend the Alamo Region Livability Summit on August 21, 2013 from 8:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. at the Pearl Brewery, AIA Center for Architecture. Please visit <u>www.sametroplan.org</u> for additional meeting materials. Registration is free.

Bert Pickell stated he appreciated all the great opportunities to get outside and walk. Pickell informed PMAC members that a newly designed website is in the works. More information can be found at <u>www.fitcitySA.com</u>.

Darcie Schipull introduced herself to PMAC members. Darcie stated she has worked with TxDOT, including work in Austin, TX on bicycle and pedestrian issues, over the last 23 years. Darcie stated she is looking forward to working with this committee.

Annette Prosterman stated the Alamo Area Council of Governments (AACOG) will conduct the annual Walk & Roll Challenge from September 1st through October 31st. Annette stated businesses and/or organizations that would like to participate in the Walk & Roll Challenge should contact her directly at <u>aprosterman@aacog.com</u> or (210) 362-5213.

With there being no other business, Robert Hanley entertained a motion to adjourn.

Darcie Schipull moved the meeting be adjourned at 4:55 p.m. Abigail Kinnison seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

Robert Hanley Chair Pedestrian Mobility Advisory Committee

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3. Discussion and Appropriate Action on Age Well Live Well

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Kimberly Meyers will provide a brief presentation on the Age Well Live Well (AWLW) program, an initiative of the State of Texas' Department of Aging and Disability Services that focuses on improving the physical health of Texans and promotes volunteerism. The Bexar Area Agency on Aging is working to implement an AWLW program in the Bexar County region.

Action Requested

No action is requested this month.

4. Discussion and Appropriate Action to Designate a Subcommittee to Draft a Unified Development Code (UDC) Amendment in Support of the Pedestrian Safety Action Plan (Allison Blazosky/MPO and Robert Hanley/PMAC Chair)

Issue:

One of the performance measures listed in the Pedestrian Safety Action Plan (PSAP) to evaluate its progress toward achieving Year 2021 targets is tracking the extent to which land-use recommendations (Chapter 5) are incorporated into the Unified Development Code (UDC) and land-use codes of area jurisdictions.

During discussion of a general update regarding the PSAP at the July 17, 2013 PMAC meeting, committee members requested that discussion and appropriate action regarding this performance measure be added to the agenda of its next meeting on September 18th. The committee proposes forming a sub-committee to draft amendment(s) to the City of San Antonio's UDC, making it more supportive of pedestrian accommodations.

Hanley attended the August 14th meeting of the Bicycle Mobility Advisory Committee (BMAC), presenting the discussion and proposed sub-committee to its members. Hanley invited BMAC to designate members to serve on a jointsubcommittee to draft the UDC amendment(s). At BMAC's September 11th meeting, BMAC members approved Julia Murphy/City of San Antonio Office of Sustainability, John Osten/City of San Antonio Planning and Community Development Department and Jack Sanford/BikeTexas as BMAC representatives to PMAC's discussion of a UDC subcommittee on this September 18th meeting agenda.

Action Requested:

Discussion may determine the action taken.

5. Discussion and Appropriate Action on re:Streets (Allison Blazosky/MPO)

Issue:

At the Alamo Region Livability Summit held August 21, 2013, the re:Streets project was presented as a multi-disciplinary collaboration focused on reconsidering our streets and inclusive design for the public realm. Information about re:Streets can be found at <u>www.restreets.org</u>.

The purpose of this item is to spread awareness of the re:Streets project among PMAC members and to invite discussion of how the 2012 Pedestrian Safety Action Plan overlaps the re:Streets' best practice guidelines.

Action Requested:

No action is requested this month.

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6. Citizens to be Heard

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