

City of Oakland, Bicyclist & Pedestrian Advisory Commission Minutes from the April 15, 2021 meeting Teleconference

Meeting agenda at https://cao-94612.s3.amazonaws.com/documents/April-2021-BPAC-Meeting-Agenda.pdf.

Chair Campbell presented and introduced the Oakland Bikeways timelapse map: https://www.oaklandca.gov/resources/city-of-oakland-bikeways-timelapse-map

Meeting called to order at 6:02 pm by BPAC Chair Andrew Campbell.

Item 1. Roll Call/Determination of Quorum/Introductions

At roll call, quorum was established with all nine commissioners present (X).

Commissioners	Present
Reginald K Burnette Jr	Х
Andrew Campbell (Chair)	Х
Grey Gardner	Х
Mike Lok	Х
Jesse Jones	Х
Phoenix Mangrum	Х
David Ralston	Х
Patricia Schader (Vice-Chair)	Х
Dianne Yee	Х

Introductions were made.

Other attendees: Danielle Dynes, Jeremiah Maller, LePen, Maire Lanigan, Midori, Natalie Mall, George Naylor, Robert Prinz, Chris Hwang, Rion Manning, Jeremiah Maller, Howard Matis, Kenya Wheeler, Tom Holub

Staff: Julieth Ortiz, Yvonne Chan, Craig Raphael, Noel Pond-Danchik, Ofurhe Igbinedion

Chair Campbell recommended looking at the BPAC blog (https://oaklandbpac.org).

Item 2. Open Forum / Public Comment

- Maire Lanigan requested support from the commission for the Caldecott Tunnel sidewalk project.
 The project is shovel ready and was first recommended as a mitigation project for Caldecott Tunnel
 construction years ago. It received an unfunded status as an Oakland Capital Improvement Program
 project. Lanigan is looking for alternative ways to fund the project.
- Commissioner Yee on behalf of Tim Courtney asked that traffic safety improvements be made at Peralta St and Mandela Pkwy.
- Commissioner Yee noted that flex posts were added as a raised separation in the buffer to the bike lane headed northbound on Embarcadero from Oak St to the Jack London Aquatic Center driveway and suggested they continue further east.

- Commissioner Jones updated the commission that the Safer 8th St Project, which Tim Courtney had announced during a previous BPAC Open Forum, was recommended to be funded as one of Oakland's Capital Improvement Program projects and that the community continues to ask for support for the project.
- Midori Tabata shared that the MacArthur Blvd project between High St and 35th Ave has been recommended to be funded through Oakland's Capital Improvement Program and asked commissioners to ask for support for the project from their Councilmembers.

Item 3. Approval of meeting minutes

→ A motion to *adopt the Bicyclist & Pedestrian Advisory Commission meeting minutes from March*18, 2021 was made (Schader), seconded (Jones), and approved by consent. Adopted minutes online at https://www.oaklandca.gov/boards-commissions/bicyclist-and-pedestrian-advisory-commission/meetings.

Item 4. Recent Bicyclist and Pedestrian Related Crashes

Vice Chair Schader noted that to her knowledge, there were no fatal crashes involving bicyclists or pedestrians since her announcement at last month's BPAC meeting. There was one non-fatal crash involving a pedestrian at 66th Ave and Bancroft Ave.

Speakers other than commissioners: none

Item 5. Affordable Housing Sustainable Communities (AHSC) Grant New Projects and Update on Previous Projects

Julieth Ortiz and Yvonne Chan, OakDOT Transportation Planners, provided an update on existing AHSC-funded projects and gave an overview of the proposed projects OakDOT is currently considering for Cycle 6. A copy of the presentation is attached.

Summary of Discussion:

- The decision to fund existing projects should be balanced with prioritizing first and last mile connections to the housing developments themselves.
- Maintenance costs are not usually considered eligible expenses for this grant.
- Applications receive points for either being able to leverage other funds or if the funds requested can cover the full cost of the project.
- The Alameda County Transportation Commission (ACTC) East Bay Greenway project has a \$1 million gap in funding which is what is being requested with this AHSC proposal. Additional funding for this project may come from the Metropolitan Transportation Commission (MTC).
- OakDOT is working to deliver the Lake Merritt cycle track project as part of a paving project. Staff
 are still determining the scope of the project, so it was not included in this AHSC cycle application
 because the project is too early in the development to match grant's timeline.
- The proposal included in this AHSC application is to fund the Telegraph Ave Complete Streets improvements. More information on the Telegraph Ave Complete Streets project at https://www.oaklandca.gov/projects/telegraph-avenue-complete-streets-redesign.

- Traffic calming spot improvements can not be used as a project for this grant due to the specific scoring criteria.
- Bike East Bay has provided bicycle related programming to previous AHSC awarded housing developments as part of AHSC grants and would be open to partnering on future applications.
- Bicycle parking in AHSC funded housing developments has been insufficient and should be high quality.
- Most awarded AHSC projects include transit cards and workforce development training for the occupants.

Speakers other than commissioners: Robert Prinz

Item 6. Transportation Demand Article (TDA) Projects Grant Applications and Previous Awardees Update

Julieth Ortiz, OakDOT Transportation Planner, gave an overview of existing Transportation Development Act (TDA) Article 3 projects and a draft project list for fiscal year 2021-22. A copy of the presentation is attached.

Summary of Discussion:

- There is a citywide stairs and path program that TDA is a major funder of, however, stair and path work has slowed due to a lack of staff capacity. Maintenance requests for stairs and paths can be submitted through 311.
- TDA should be used to fund more programs.
- Bicycle education programming was not on the list of recommended projects. Bicycle education programming through Bike East Bay has been funded through TDA for the past six years and funding will run out at the end of 2021. Support in the amount of \$25,000 or more is needed.
- Staff was unaware that bicycle education classes were missing from the list of proposed projects this year and that funding is due to run out. They will work to add this as an additional proposed program and will report back to the commission with updates.
- → A motion to support the proposed TDA grant applications and to recommend OakDOT seek at least \$25,000 for two years in funding for bicycle education programs through TDA or another funding source was made (Campbell), seconded (Mangrum), and approved by consent.

Speakers other than commissioners: Robert Prinz

Item 7. Bike to W(herever) Day Planning

Chris Hwang, Walk Oakland Bike Oakland (WOBO) Board President, presented on Bike to W(herever) Day and ways to get involved. The event will take place on Friday, May 21, 2021 at the Lake Merritt Pergola from 3-6pm. Other bicycle events will be happening all May. A copy of the presentation is attached.

Summary of Discussion:

- Other activities such as running around the lake may be added.
- WOBO will explore making rental bikes from bike share or other shared mobility companies available to East Oaklanders to access the event.

Speakers other than commissioners: none

→ A motion to *extend the meeting by 15 minutes* was made (Campbell), seconded (Lok), and approved by consent.

Item 8. BPAC Bike Rides with the Oakland Police Department and Police Relations Committee

Members of the Police Relations Committee led a discussion on community rides with Oakland Police Department (OPD). A copy of the presentation is attached.

Summary of Discussion:

- The request will be for OPD officers to join as civilians, out of uniform.
- It is an innovative idea with the goal of creating dialogue between bicyclists and OPD.
- An OPD staff member may join the May BPAC meeting.
- Optics could be an issue for this event.
- Planning a ride with OPD at Bike to Wherever Day seems rushed. A later date may be considered.

Speakers other than commissioners: George Naylor, Tom Holub

- → A motion to support the proposal to organize community rides with the Oakland Police **Department** was made (Campbell), seconded (Burnette), and approved by consent with Ralston abstaining.
- → A motion to extend the meeting by 15 minutes was made (Campbell), seconded (Schader), and approved by consent.

Item 9. Committee Report Back

Committees of the BPAC provided brief updates to the Commission. A list of active committees was included in the agenda packet and is posted at https://www.oaklandca.gov/resources/bicyclist-andpedestrian-advisory-commission-bpac-committees-and-liaisons.

Summary of Discussion:

- Commissioner Yee is now one of the leads of the Infrastructure committee along with Robert Prinz.
- The Legislative Committee is working to schedule a meeting with staff next week on AB550 and AB43, upcoming bills on automated speed enforcement and speed limit setting.
- There was a Roadway Safety Townhall yesterday evening on AB550 and AB43.
- There was an Infrastructure Committee meeting on April 1. They covered items on the W Grand bike/walk/bus project from Mandela to Maritime, the 14th Ave Phase 2 project from Foothill to E 27th, a Neighborhood Bikeways Guide update, and the High St paving project from Foothill to 580. Notes from the meeting can be found at https://docs.google.com/document/d/1qqS46y3dWNeAxMVwU3HTwjunj-b0pwANtZix-CisiWA/

Speakers other than commissioners: none

Item 9. Three-month look-ahead, suggestions for meeting topics, announcements

Three-month look-ahead

• See the attachment included in the meeting agenda packet.

Suggestions for meeting topics

- Bike and Pedestrian Plan Updates
- Follow-Up on Moving Traffic Enforcement to OakDOT
- OakDOT Budget Requests

Announcements

Announcements in the agenda packet should be reviewed and are found on page 10: https://cao-94612.s3.amazonaws.com/documents/April-2021-BPAC-Meeting-Agenda.pdf.

Meeting adjourned at 8:28 pm.

Attachments

- Affordable Housing Sustainable Communities (AHSC) Grant New Projects and Update on Previous Projects – Presentation
- Transportation Demand Article (TDA) Projects Grant Applications and Previous Awardees Update –
 Presentation
- Bike to W(herever) Day Planning Presentation
- BPAC Bike Rides with the Oakland Police Department and Police Relations Committee -Presentation

Minutes recorded by Noel Pond-Danchik, Transportation Planner, emailed to meeting attendees for review on April 19, 2021 with comments requested by 5pm, May 3, 2021 to NPond-Danchik@oaklandca.gov. Revised minutes will be attached to the May 2021 meeting agenda and considered for adoption at that meeting.

AHSC PROGRAM

JULIETH ORTIZ & YVONNE CHAN Strategic Planning & Administration

Contents

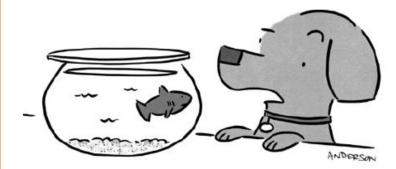
AHSC in a nutshell
Brief program overview & funding to date

Active AHSC projects
Recap and status of ongoing projects

AHSC Cycle 6
Proposed projects

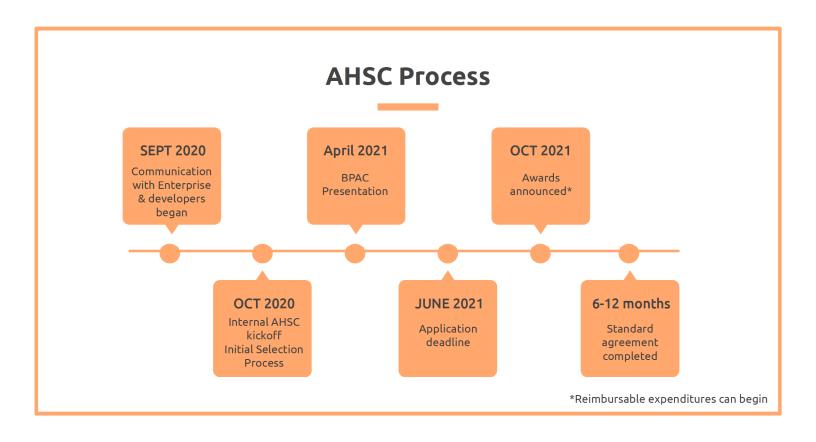
Overview

A State "Climate Investment" Program to fund affordable housing + sustainable transportation to direct investment towards the most disadvantaged communities in the state and maximize economic, environmental, and public health benefits



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"You make a good point; we both hate the cat.
I'm just not sure what it is you'd bring to a partnership."



Project Selection Process

OAKLAND PRIORITY

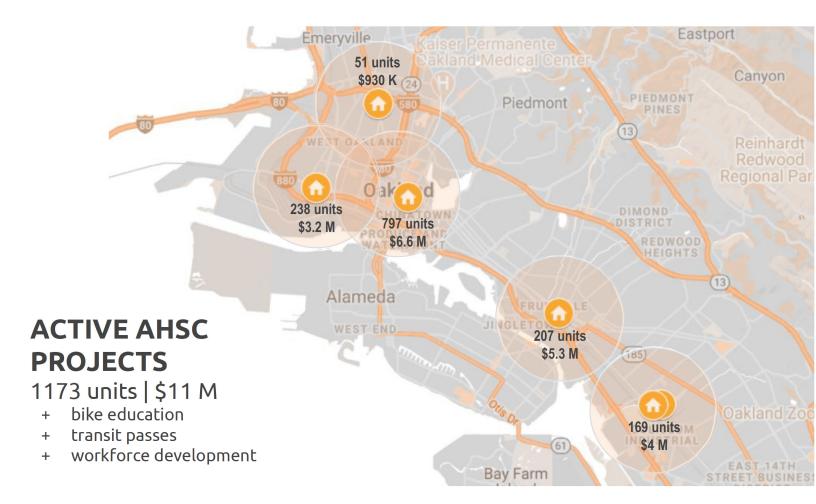
- CIP Score
- Funding Need
- Team Feedback
- AHSC criteria

GRANT CRITERIA

- Project Area
- Context Sensitivity
- ProjectType/Length
- Shovel Readiness
- Funding Leverage

COHESIVE NARRATIVE

- Completed Community Engagement
- Stakeholder
 Support/
 Coordination
- Overall connectivity







1 bikeshare station



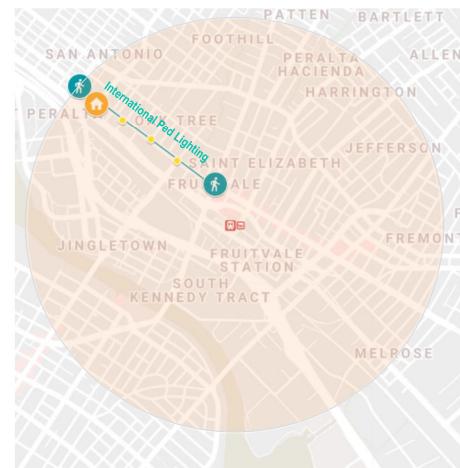
>0.5 mi of safe & accessible walkways



ped-scale LED lights



Cycle 1 (\$726K)



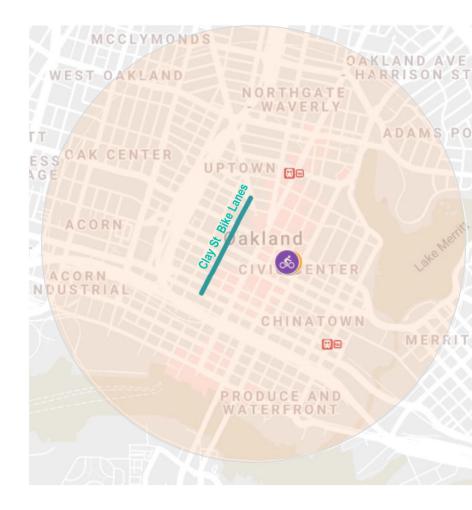


1 bikeshare station



>0.5 mi of class II







1 bikeshare station





>0.5 mi of safe & accessible walkways





50 ped-scale LED lights



UPTOWN Oakland 10th St Improvements TAILS INGTAING PAGE AST LAKE SANA







>0.5 mi of class II

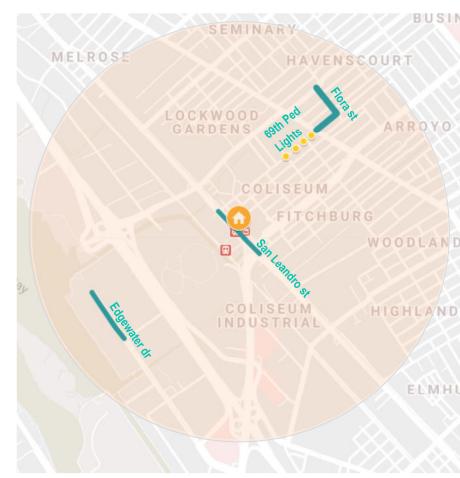




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Cycle 2 (\$412K)





2 bikeshare stations





>2 mi of class II

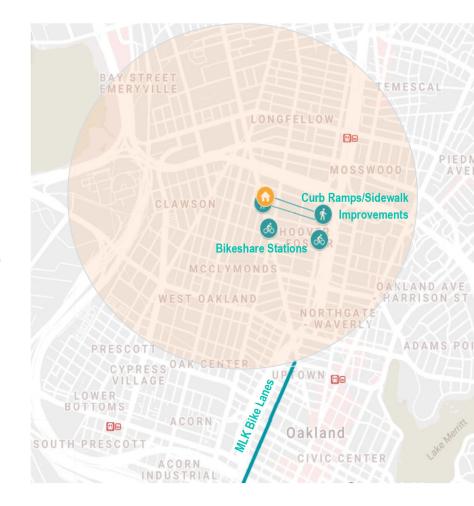




>1 mi of safe & accessible walkways



Cycle 3 (~ \$930K)





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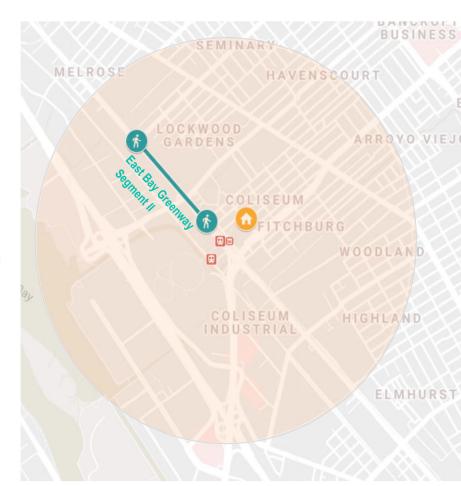
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Cycle 3 (\$3.1 M)









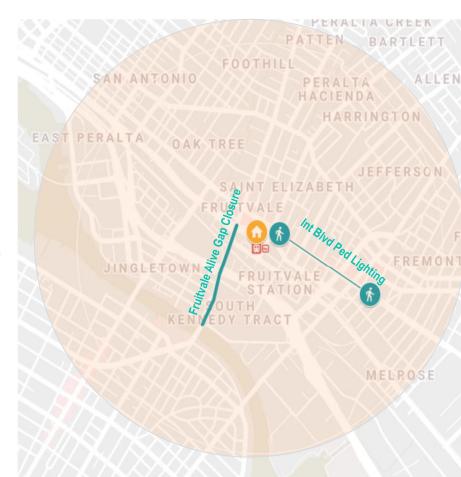
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Fruitvale Transit Village IIB

Cycle 5 (\$4.5M)





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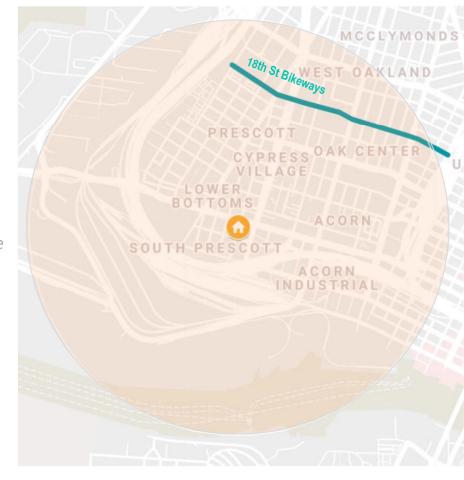




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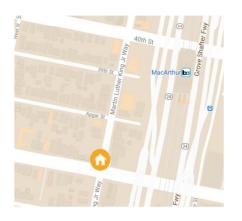
Cycle 5 (\$3.1 M)





CYCLE 6 PROPOSED AHSC PROJECTS

Cycle 6 AHSC Development Projects*



LONGFELLOW (RCD)

77 units | 100% affordable

\$12M AHD | \$7M STI | \$1M TRA (\$1M OakDOT)



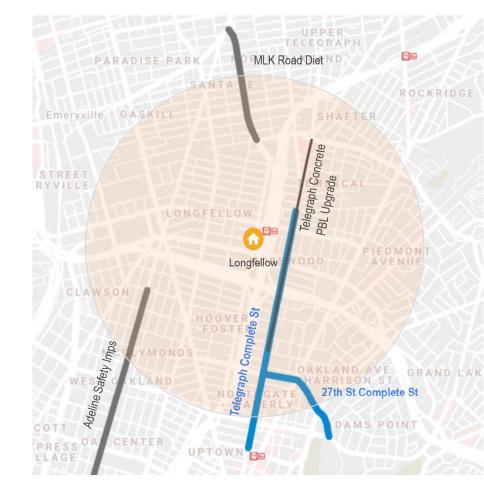
LAKE MERRITT SENIOR (EBALDC)

97 units | 100% affordable

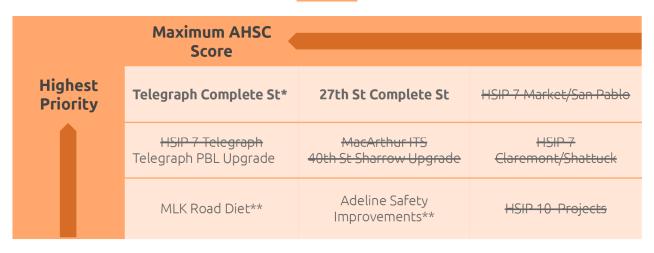
\$20M AHD | \$7.3M STI | \$1.5M TRA (\$1.3M OakDOT)

Longfellow Project Area

1-mile buffer from MacArthur BART



Longfellow Overview



^{*} Developer preference

^{**} Unfunded CIP Public Requests from FY19-21



Lake Merritt Project Area

1-mile buffer from Lake Merritt BART

Lake Merritt Overview

	Maximum AHSC Score		
Highest Priority	Webster/10th St Ped Scramble	19th St BART to Lake Merritt Urban Greenway	Lakeside Family Streets
	9th St Cycle Track & Ped Improvements* Segment of Final East Bay Greenway	14th St Safe Routes to the City	Lower Park Blvd Bicycle & Pedestrian Improvement Project
	Lake Merritt BART Access Improvements		Lake Merritt to Bay Trail Bike Ped Connector (TBD)

*Developer preference

\$3.3 MILLION

in Sustainable Transportation Infrastructure

3.3-5 mi

in New Bike Infrastructure

15,000-19,000+ ft

in Safe & Accessible Walkways

Thanks!

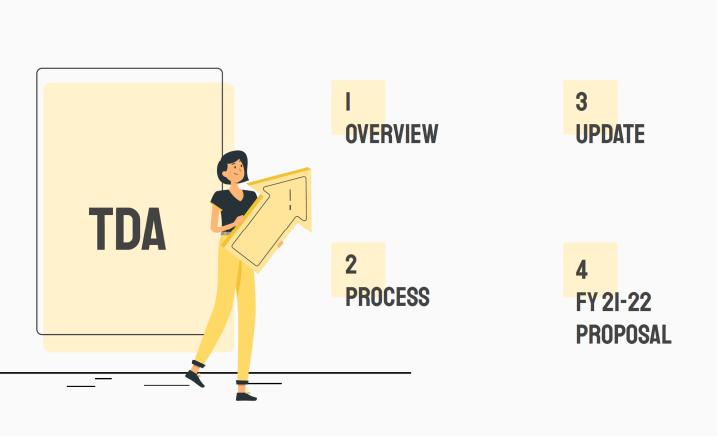
Does anyone have any questions?

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TRANSPORTATION DEVELOPMENT ACT (TDA)

Julieth H. Ortiz Strategic Planning & Capital Finance





OVERVIEW



- Construction/engineering of a bicycle or pedestrian capital project
- Maintenance of a multi-purpose path
- Bicycle **safety education** program
- Development of a comprehensive bicycle or pedestrian plans
- Restriping Class II bicycle lanes.
- Pedestrian **safety education** (February 24, 2016)





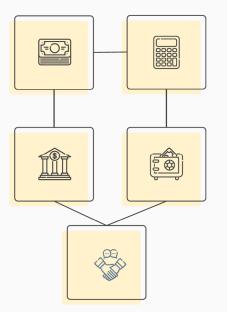
HOW DOES TDA WORK?

METROPOLITAN TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION

Administers TDA funds for the state. TDA 3 accounts for 2% of TDA funds collected in the county for bike & ped

PLANNING AREAS

Are informed of available funding for FY and CAN submit proposed projects in March OR banks funds



ALAMEDA COUNTY PUBLIC WORKS

Manages the allocation process in the county for MTC, based on population

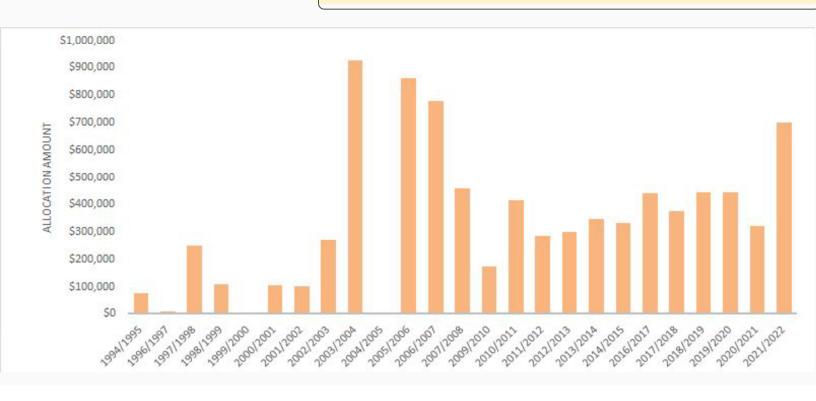
CITY COUNCIL APPROVAL

For proposed projects is required by the end of May

BICYCLIST & PEDESTRIAN ADVISORY COMMISION

Must review and approve OakDOT proposed projects for FY by March/April

25 YEARS OF TDA ALLOCATIONS - \$8.5 M



SUMMARY OF EXISTING TDA FUNDED PROJECTS

Project	Allocation	Funds Available
Alvarado Stairs-Path Rehabilitation	\$ 101,922.29	\$0
Bicyclist Safe Storm Drain Inlet	\$ 100,000.00	\$ 36,684.64
Bicyclist Safety Education Classes	\$ 25,000.00	\$ 0.00
CityRacks 12 Bike Parking Program	\$ 74,415.37	\$ 48,760.99
Bicyclist Signage Program	\$ 85,332.47	\$ 81,636.75
Chinatown Harrison Swift	\$ 107,811.00	\$0
Burr, Wilson & Palmer Stairs	\$ 233,143.14	\$ 116,189.14
Outlook to Hilmonth Stair-Path Program	\$ 120,204.00	\$ 120,204.00
E. 20TH Stair-Path Rehabilitation	\$ 100,000.00	\$ 100,000.00

Status Completed In Progress Fully Spent Ongoing Ongoing Funds Returned for Future Programming

In Design | December 2022

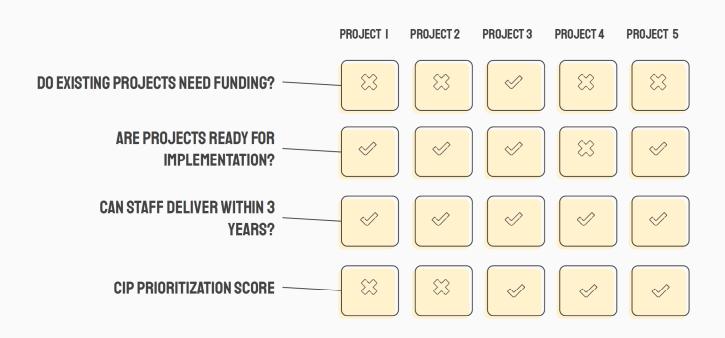
In Design | December 2022

In Design | December 2022

FY 2I-22 TDA 3 PROPOSAL



FY 2021-22 APPROACH



\$802,581

Total Funds Programmed

\$700,000

Total Allocation Request

\$102,581

Funding Carryover FY 2021-22

The program ranks projects based on: • physical condition (40%) • proximity to schools/transit (30%) • equity/communities of concern (30%)

Legend

Low
Lowest
No Data

Schools Stairs & Paths (not in Ped Plan 2002) Ped - Stairs and Paths (all) Paths Stairs Priority Equity Neighborhoods Highest High

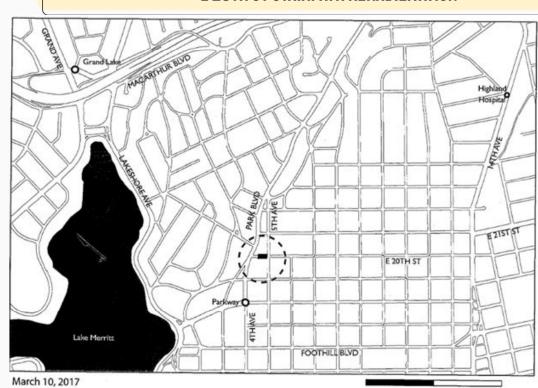
RESULTS

E 20TH ST STAIRPATH REHABILITATION

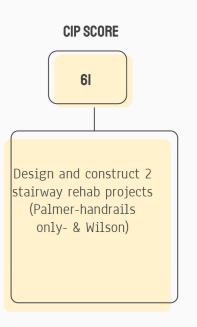
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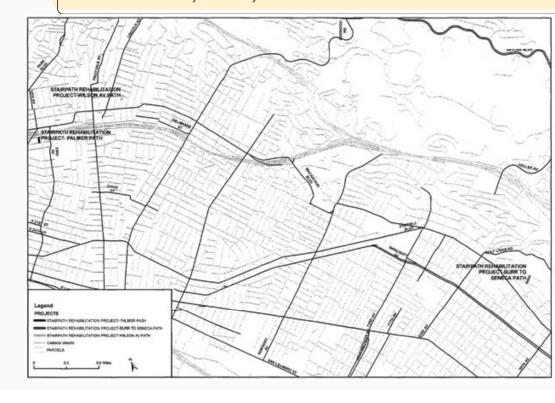
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Reconstruct
deteriorated
stairs/landings and
install handrails for
this stairpath along E
20th St connecting
Park Blvd to 5th Ave.



BURR, WILSON, AND PALMER STAIR/PATH REHAB



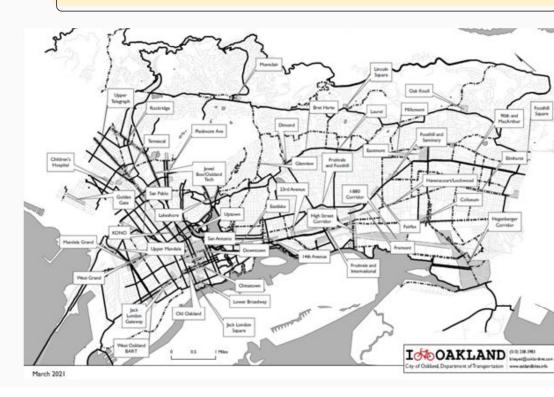


CITYRACKS BICYCLE PARKING PROGRAM

56

CITYWIDE

Install approximately
150 new bike parking
racks along public
streets throughout
Oakland, or new
e-Locker sites and a
smaller number of bike
racks.



FOOTHILL BLVD PEDESTRIAN SAFETY IMPROVEMENTS

77

FOOTHILL BLVD FROM 23RD AVE TO 42ND AVE

Traffic signals or Pedestrian Hybrid Beacons, Rectangular Rapid Flashing Beacons, bulb outs and pedestrian medians, curb ramps, ped lighting, crosswalks, daylighting at intersections



FY 2021-22 ALLOCATION SUMMARY

Project	Prior TDA Allocation	FY 21-22 Allocation	Total Allocation
Foothill Blvd Pedestrian Safety Improvements	N/A	\$360,000	\$360,000
E 20th St Stairpath Rehabilitation	\$250,000 (2017-18)	\$150,000	\$400,000
Burr, Wilson, and Palmer Stairpath Rehabilitation	\$136,001 (2018-19)	\$115,000	\$351,001
CityRacks Bicycle Parking Program	N/A	\$75,000	\$75,000
	\$386,000	\$700,000	\$1,186,001



Does anyone have any questions?

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Oakland Bike To W(herever) Day 2021

Bicyclist and Pedestrian Advisory Commission April 15, 2021 Chris Hwang, Walk Oakland Bike Oakland WOBO.org FRIDAY
5/21/2021
#BTWD2021





Lake Merritt Pergola 3pm - 6pm

Bike Bags

Bicycling / Micromobility Orgs

City & Community Resources

Climate Action Partners

2021

Celebrate at Lake Merritt Ride from WHEREVER - to Pergola @ El Embarcadero #BTWD2021













Bike Bags

Ride in Community

Contact-less Bike Bag

Library Locations in Oakland & at Lake Merritt

Bring your friends and family

Grab a bite or beverage from a local shop

Meet WOBO and others at the Pergola

~5:30pm - special speaker at Pergola

Ride all May Long

East Oakland Ride & Celebration

Mother's Day Ride and Picnic

Choose / Lead Your Own Bicycling Adventure

Take a Bicycle Skills Class

PLEDGE TO RIDE

- Try out Oakland rides
- Visit slow streets, new bikeways

VOLUNTEER

- Commissioner Rides with Councilmembers, Mayor, Electeds
- Bike Bag and Bikeway Maps distribution
- Put up signs on popular bicycling routes
- Media Digital Storytelling
- Tell your friends and neighbor to join you!

SHARE SOCIALLY

@walkoakbikeoak @bikeeastbay
#BTWD2021

Media Kits and Photos will be available at wobo.org/bike-to-work-day-2021



wobo.org/bike-to-work-day-2021

Proposal for BPAC Community Bike Rides with the Oakland Police Department

Presented by the BPAC Police Relations Committee at the April 15, 2021 BPAC Meeting

Overview

- The BPAC Police Relations Committee is proposing that BPAC implement community rides with members of the bicycling community and the Oakland Police Department (OPD).
- We want to bring down barriers to understanding that keep us from participating as bicyclists and pedestrians free of intimidation and fear.
 - Bicyclists and pedestrians face day to day safety issues, especially from vehicles.
 - Address the dynamic of different perspectives, especially with regards to safety.
 - Address the implicit bias bicyclists and pedestrians of color face from the OPD.

'3 Feet Is The Law' Community Rides



Our First Planned Ride

- We want to roll-out our first community ride with OPD during the Bike to Wherever Day Pedal Pools on May 21st.
- The community rides will be coordinated with the full BPAC, the BPAC Police Relations Committee, OakDOT, OPD and the public. Members and staff of the Oakland City Council could also be included.
- BPAC would use the **BPAC Blog** https://oaklandbpac.org/ to advertise events to the public and local community organizations and their networks.
- Other details would need to be developed, including ride leaders, routes, duration and protocols.

Concerns during COVID-19 Pandemic

- At this time, Alameda County is under health directives mandated by the Centers for Disease Control (CDC), the State of California and the Alameda County Health Department to address the COVID-19 pandemic. As of April 15, 2021, Alameda County is designated to be at High Risk, or Orange Tier designation, allowing activities with restrictions in place.
- Governor Newsom has scheduled complete reopening of business and social activities in the state by June 15th. Mask mandates are still expected to be in place.
- While group bicycle rides are currently allowed and groups are riding, there are still significant risks that may be involved for participants. The associated risks would need to be carefully considered before BPAC decides to have community rides.
- Several large social bicycling clubs in the greater Bay Area have been holding large recreational bike rides and have developed protocols BPAC can adapt for use.

Next Steps...

- Proposal submitted to the full BPAC for consideration at the April BPAC meeting. We respectfully request a
 Motion to Approve the proposal and BPAC support.
- The BPAC Police Relations Committee would meet and coordinate with OPD management during April/May
 as well as coordinate with BPAC leadership and local community organizations.
- · Report back at the May BPAC and invite OPD representatives to attend
- Expanding group rides to include group walks.
- While ambitious, again, it is hoped that the first community rides with the OPD happen on Bike to Wherever Day on May 21st.

Thank You!