



Pedestrian Safety Advisory Committee Draft Action Minutes July 8, 2014

Meeting started at 6:00 PM.

Present: Howard Bloomberg, Walk Advocate; Robin Brasso, Child Advocate; Kevin Clark, D-1; Christopher Coghlan, D-7; Todd Henry, At-Large; Becky Hogue, Senior and Disability Org; Sonja Kos, At-Large; John Lowell, Senior & Disability Org; Trevor McNeil, D-4; Gary McCoy, D-8; Thomas Rogers, D-10; Howard Strassner, Transit Advocate and John Winston, SFUSD. Excused: Christina Tang, D-3 and Kevin Stull, D-6. Absent: Morgan Fitzgibbons, Bicycle; Pi Ra, Ped Org; Anyan Cheng, Student; and Devin Silvernail, D-9. There are currently 19 appointed members. Staff: Neal Patel, SFMTA.

1. Minutes: PSAC approved the June minutes.

2. Street Width Resolution, Thomas: Presented update: The Board of Supervisors accepted a compromise for some streets to be widened to 26 feet, in the Hunters Point project area, to limit the angle of fire ladders. The wider streets resulted in some narrower sidewalks and less housing. Our resolution stands but there is no need for a press release.



3. Public Comment: Herbert Weiner: Concerned about street width of Castro, which was narrowed to widen sidewalks. PSAC: The Castro changes illustrate the need for PSAC to get involved early on projects that effect pedestrians.

4. SFMTA Update: Neil Patel: Forty projects will be part of Vision Zero. There will be some education included. PSAC can review projects early with some notice. Normally PSAC will be invited to neighborhood meetings. Polk Street is not final yet. Planning for Embarcadero improvements are necessary due to reports of pedestrian and bicycle conflicts. Meeting will be on July 24 at Pier One, from 6 to 8. Sunset Boulevard will get a new pedestrian signal at Yorba. PSAC: Will need some early details along with notice of neighborhood meetings.

5. Vision Zero (VZ): Natalie Burdick, WalkSF, Membership and Volunteer Director, Presented: Thirty neighborhood groups are working on VZ. At least three people are hit by a car every day. One quarter of trauma cases in SF General are due to collisions. In the past enforcement against collision injuries has not been a priority. Six percent of streets have 60% of collisions. Engineering solutions, left turn control, more crossing time and others, can reduce collisions by about 50%. Reducing speeds reduces collisions by 30%; Targeted enforcement (stings) reduces collisions by 23% and appropriate



education reduces collisions by 23%. WalkSF is funded by: member dues; event fees; foundation grants, public agency contracts and corporate sponsors. WalkSF is developing a curriculum for training drivers of large vehicles. Public Comments: Herbert Weiner: Concerned about bicyclists harming pedestrians and themselves. PSAC: Switer data takes two years. This is too long. DPW only has one painting truck for crosswalks. This is not enough. Need curriculum for all drivers. Want to see curriculum for drivers before release.

6. Future Meeting Items: A) Revised Bylaws are ready, Becky. B) DPW should cover pedestrian safety at construction sites, John. C) Who is coordinating cross-roads? D) Check for attendance at future neighborhood meetings. E) POLK Street, John. Previous Items: June: B) Changing meeting starting time to 5:30, if possible, Sonja. C) Brown Act discussion with City attorney. PSAC members are invited to submit questions to Sonja. D) Sunday metered parking, Pi. E) Day lighting resolution, Morgan and Howard S. F) Treasure Island, Becky. G) Early Collision Summary of Injuries and Deaths, Howard B. H) Environmental review relative to pedestrian Safety. I) Speed signs.

7. Adjournment: 7:25 pm. Next regular meeting August 8, 2014. Howard S. was note taker.