

PSAC Minutes
September 10, 2013

Meeting started at 6:00 PM.

Present: Howard Bloomberg, Walk Advocate; Robin Brasso, Child Advocate; Anyan Cheng, Student; Kevin Clark, D-1; Christopher Coghlan, D-7; John Lowell, Senior & Disability Org; Becky Hogue, Senior and Disability Org; Thomas Rogers, D-10; Zack Marks, At-Large; Howard Strassner, Transit Advocate; Christina Tang, D-3 and John Winston, SFUSD. Excused: Pi Ra, Pedestrian Safety Organization; Sonja Kos, At-Large and Devin Silvernail, D-9. Unexcused Absent: Gary McCoy, D-8; There are currently 16 appointed members. Staff: Neil Patel, SFMTA.

1. Minutes: PSAC approved the August minutes.

2. Opening Comments: Zachary: Recounted collisions and deaths, truck on Folsom including lack of SFPD investigation and RPD vehicle on park lawn.

3. Public Comment:

A) Mahendra Prasad: Rehab collection for collision victim; B) Morgan Fitzgibbons, Bicycle Advisory Committee, Rep. to PSAC: Presented editorial on failure to implement Folsom improvements as causing collisions and death.

4. Sgt. Mahoney, SFPD Traffic Company:

A) Pedestrian sting operations last month lead to 166 citations including 80 for failure to yield to pedestrians. B) The SFPD is working to improve their investigative efforts for bike and pedestrian collisions. The Traffic Company is being combined into an Investigative unit. C) SFPD is not now required to give press reports on pedestrian injuries. D) The BOS will discuss enforcement at a 10/3 meeting. E) Internal review is underway on 6th and Howard investigation. PSAC Comments: Reviewing local security videos should be required. Public Comment: Kimberley Jones: All aspects of our community need to be reset to change unsafe practices.

5. Pedestrian Strategy Update: Megan Weir, DPH:

A) They use Statewide Integrated Traffic Record System, SWITRS, based on police data. The results are usually about a year late because of tabulation time requirements. Events are under reported by 20%. B) Sixty percent of injuries occur on 6% of the streets, mostly arterials. C) Severe Injury is broken bones and laceration. D) Decreasing traffic volume is a good way to reduce collisions and injuries. E) Left turns cause 20% of injuries and this needs more study. F) SWITRS reports include location in the street data. G) Auto speed detectors require State action before they can be used for enforcement. H) City is beginning to look into better training for city function truck drivers. I) No data on injuries

caused by drivers not using left turn signals. Public Comment: Kimberley Jones: Requested information on traumatic brain injuries.

6. West Portal Pedestrian Safety Proposals: Matt Chamberlain, GWNPA: Presented. PSAC Voted: to support the proposals, per prepared letter after the elimination of a sentence on priority.

7. Monterey Boulevard: Jon, Friends of Monterey Boulevard: Requested support for a reduction in speed limit to 25 mph. This is a neighborhood street but there have been three injuries in a few years. PSAC will agenize for vote next month. PC: Karen Winston: Thank you for your work.

8. Kearny and Jackson: Christina, CCDC: Presented photographs showing why this intersection is considered so dangerous while it is used by so many. PSAC: This complex area will need a lot of work.

9. Daylighting and Bulbouts: Zachary: DPW doesn't have funds for bulbs. PSAC: This should be agenized for more discussion.

10. Education: Robin: Spoke to mayor about ambassador program.

11. SFMTA Update: Neil Patel: New with MTA. Updated current projects.

12. Coordination with BAC: Zachary: Can be accomplished with ample comments from BAC rep as public comment.

13. Future Agenda Items: PSAC: 7 and 9 - above and use of our additional meeting date.

14. Adjournment: At 8:20 PM. Next regular meeting, October 8, 2013.

Howard Strassner was note taker.