

Pedestrian Safety Advisory Committee
Approved Minutes July 10, 2012

Meeting started at 5:30 PM.

Present: Robin Brasso, Child Advocate; R. Gary McCoy, D-11; John Ehrlich, D-2; James Rhoads, D-5; Thomas Rogers, D-10; Zach Marks, At-Large; Richard Rothman, Senior Advocate and Howard Strassner, Transit Advocate.

Excused: John Lowell, Disabled Advocate; Christopher Coghlan, D-7; Abigail Evans, Public Health and Paul Supawanich, Bicycle/Non-Motorized Org.

Unexcused Absent: Jay Lee, At-Large; Pi Ra, Ped Org; Raymon Smith, D-6; Kevin Clark, D-1; and Ken Frausto, Ped Org.

There are currently 17 appointed members.

Staff: Darcie Lim, SFMTA.

1. Minutes: PSAC approved the June minutes.

2. SFPD Traffic Company: Commander Mikail Ali and Sergeant Tobin

Report: A) The Commander manages Muni police and Traffic. B) SFPD is using Drug recognition experts to help deal with the cause of collisions.

C) Instituting Major Accident Investigation (MAI) process. D) Report on Trader Joe's collision and death next month. E) Using admonition on cell phone use for drivers, bicyclists and pedestrians. **PSAC Comments:** Wants timely collision data. Wants to know status of the use of hand held devices. Supports MAI and wants results of investigation to be released as early as possible and to be used to improve safety.

3. Pedestrian Strategic Action Plan: Frank Markowitz, DPH: distributed copies of the Plan's Strategies and Priorities. City has a grant to do some education. **PSAC Comments:** PSAC wants to get involved early on any new projects. Drivers and pedestrians need training to change habits. Ped Task Force should continue to meet. Plan should include support for the Ambassador program and traffic courts. **Public Comments: Herbert Weiner:** Wants info on traffic density and causes of collisions; TEP may extend walking distances to transit. **Odin:** Need to get public involved with strategies and need to know more about driver and pedestrian actions.

4. America's Cup People Plan: Peter Albert, SFMTA: A) Showed uses for Wharfs. B) Testing some new transit for the event: Including: Van Ness Limited buses; one lane on Embarcadero for bikes to remove bikes from sidewalk; E-line along the Embarcadero; Golden Gate bus picking up and dropping off passengers within SF; part of the Fisherman's Wharf pedestrian way and a bicycle route from Fort Mason to Crissy Field. **PSAC Comments:** Consider putting the bicycle way closer to the curb so that pedestrians will not have to cross the bicycles so frequently.

5. Prop AA Program: Chad Rathmann, SFTCA and Matt Brill, SFMTA:

A) Funds come from \$10 added to every SF auto registration, about \$5 million a year mostly for street repair and transit reliability B) Pedestrian portion is about 25% and will be mainly used to first help complete the pedestrian signals. **PSAC** comments: Bring proposals to Mayors Disability Council.

6. SFMTA Staff Report: Darcie: A) 42% of Pedestrian signals installed. B) Review of JFK bikeway will be on Saturday 7/14 at 1:00 PM, with disabled.

7) Public Comment: Ed Mason: Concerned about City requiring homeowners to maintain new trees planted for Masonic and other projects.

8. Chairs Report: A) Time to start work on annual report.

9. Adjournment: At 7:10 PM. Next regular meeting, August 14, 2012.
Howard was note taker.