

Pedestrian Safety Advisory Committee

Minutes October 8, 2013

Meeting started at 6:05 PM.

Present: Howard Bloomberg, Walk Advocate; Robin Brasso, Child Advocate; Kevin Clark, D-1; Christopher Coghlan, D-7; Sonja Kos, At-Large; John Lowell, Senior & Disability Org; Becky Hogue, Senior and Disability Org; Pi Ra, Ped Org; Alex Reese, D-5; Thomas Rogers, D-10; Zack Marks, At-Large; Howard Strassner, Transit Advocate; and Christina Tang, D-3. Excused: Gary McCoy, D-8. Unexcused Absent: Anyan Cheng, Student; John Winston, SFUSD; and Devin Silvernail, D-9. There are currently 17 appointed members. Staff: Neil Patel, SFMTA.

1. Minutes: PSAC approved the September minutes.
2. Opening Comments: Zach: A) Recounted collisions and deaths. Few collisions result in charges. B) Requested minutes of Ped Strategy meeting. C) Sloat has new ped operated crossing and signal lights. D) Very few PSAC members were willing to attend a second monthly meeting.
3. Public Comment: A) Kimberley Jones: Survivor of 2010 collision is still dealing with it. B) Karen Paine, First Cong. Church: Repeatedly see police cars not stop for her in the cross walk. She has complained to the Police citizens complaint office. Police should set the example for drivers. C) Ed Mason: Use street tree funds for sidewalk maintenance. D) Madeleine Sabida: Concerned about Polk Street serving peds and bikes.
4. Education: Robin: Still working on the ambassador program.
5. Transportation Plan, Ryan Greene-Roesel, SFTCA: They spend most of transportation construction funds. She distributed copies of near term projects. Pedestrian enhancements are possible during repaving. Most money is already programmed. PSAC: Make some money available for education and fixing sidewalks. Population and business growth will lead to more congestion.
6. Sgt. Mahoney, SFPD Traffic Company: A) Five pedestrian sting operations produced 500 citations including 166 for failure to yield to pedestrians. B) They are preparing the case for the DA on a DUI fatality. C) They have to provide security for

visiting VIPs even though this hampers their other efforts.

7. Monique Porsandeh: Was severely injured in February by a hit and run driver at Fillmore and Green, early in the morning, and is continuing costly rehabilitation. She presented nine suggestions to improve safety and help identify these drivers. Clifford Cook, SFPD case inspector: Still working. Many DUIs at this time. PSAC: A) Cameras on Muni might show cars. B) Supervisor Yee is very concerned with pedestrian safety. Public Comment: Brian..., Monique's lawyer: Intersection has many faults.

8. Carla Johnson, Mayor's Office on Disability: A) Better Market will include many pedestrian improvements on the north side and fifteen foot clear walking width, both sides. B) Pedestrian refuge should be designed as a physical barrier to cars. C) They work with City systems to get the details necessary for the disabled.

9. Day Lighting and Bulbouts: Howard: A) Building a bulb out while constructing an ADA ramp would be similar to how the City provides pedestrian improvements during repaving. B) Day lighting should be discussed separately. PSAC: It is too late, 8:15, to allow time for the necessary discussion of bulb outs. We should schedule this issue early on the agenda for next month.

10. SFMTA Update: Neil Patel: Updated current projects.

11. Adjournment: At 8:25 PM. Next regular meeting, November 12, 2013. Howard was note taker.