

Solana Beach Bicycle and Pedestrian Advisory Committee Meeting
Minutes from Monday, 7 Nov 2011

Attendees

Douglas Alden

Roger Boyd

Kristine Schindler

Carol Carr (San Diego County Bicycle Coalition)

Dan Goldberg (City of Solana Beach Engineering Department)

We were joined at this meeting by Carol Carr. She is a member of the Oceanside Bicycle and Pedestrian Advisory Committee and the SDCBC. She is writing an article for the SDCBC on grass root efforts to improve cycling in north county.

Since Dan Goldberg was in attendance we were able to address a number of agenda items from the 3 Oct 2011 meeting.

Bike lanes on Stevens Avenue were discussed. Dan said there is a development project that has been submitted to the city that would include striping Stevens from Academy Drive to Lomas Santa Fe.

Discussions were made about putting sharrows on northbound on Stevens Avenue between Valley and Nardo, San Rodolfo between Stevens Avenue and Solana Hills Drive, and South Cedros.

Dan was asked about what could be done about marking the loop sensors so bicyclists would know where to place their wheels so as to trigger the sensors. Carol talked about an effort in Oceanside that included a survey of the intersections and their sensitivity level to bicycles. This was done with the help of Oceanside city staff. It was proposed that a similar effort take place in Solana Beach.

Roger and Douglas brought up the issue of a pedestrian path between Lomas Santa Fe Drive and Marine View at the west side of Lomas Santa Fe Plaza that had been promised by American Assets as part of the Lifestyles renovation project. Dan said this project is currently on hold and that the applicant has filed for an extension of the permit. It was noted that American Assets had recently installed a segment of the path from Lomas Santa Fe to the service road behind Baskin Robbins. The path is missing a curb cut to make it wheelchair accessible where it meets the service road. Douglas requested to Dan that should the Lifestyle project ever start, that the city has American Assets follow through on their commitment to installing the path as well as adding the requested bike parking around the center. Some discussion was also given to the need for a sidewalk on the east side of the signalized entrance to the center from Lomas Santa Fe. This had been raised by the community at the council meeting when the renovation plan was shown to the public but was not made part of the plan by the city council.

The issue of placing bike racks at all city properties was raised. Douglas noted that the city removed the rack outside city hall during renovations a number of years ago and has yet to replace it. Dan said he would look into it. Douglas suggested that new racks be checked for

the ease of locking a bike and the utility to lock a number of bikes on the same rack. Comments were made about the rack outside the La Colonia community center being placed too close to the shrubs, and that the racks in front of Belly Up Tavern and Clare's while being artistic lack the ability to lock more than one or two bikes. Carol noted that the city of Oceanside has been working with businesses to install more bike racks around the community.

An effort was made to cover the City of Solana Beach Bicycle Master Plan. Roger and Kristine both had issues downloading the various PDFs from Google Docs. It was suggested to place it on the forthcoming committee website. The 1993 version had a number of interesting goals that were covered including appointing a city bicycle coordinator. Dan was asked if there is anyone with this title on city staff. He responded that there is not. Carol suggested that we ask the city to appoint a go to person for bicycle and pedestrian related issues. Dan was also asked if San Diego County Crime Prevention Unit still performs bicycle rodeos at Skyline as was mentioned in the 1996 revision. He did not have any knowledge of it.