RBPAC Meeting Minutes - Thursday, October 16th, 2014

**Attendance:** Najari Smith, Marilyn Langlois, Steven Dorst, Adrienne Harris, Jim Zahradka, Barry Bergman, Ann Killebrew, Lina Velasco, Cynthia Armour, Patrick Phelan,

The meeting was called to order at 1:30pm by Chair Najari Smith. The agenda was modified to include a Treasurer's Report.

**Treasurers Report - Adrienne Harris**
The Richmond BPAC has two websites with service that has been renewed by Adrienne. The website are RichmondBPAC.org and BikeCS.org. She was reimbursed for both sites.

**Bicycle, trail and pedestrian Zoning Amendment. - Lina Velasco**
A draft of the Amendment was passed out. Requirements are sometimes missed and easements neglected and we want to make sure that all necessary improvements are made and included.
The language will be adjusted. This would not include miniscule residential developments. only for major construction.

This really about providing improvements to bicycle to support Safe and Accessible Bicycle parking.

A draft of the Amendment was passed out. It was noted that requirements are sometimes missed and easements neglected and this zoning amendment is meant to further ensure that all necessary improvements are made. Developer would require funding for these improvements. This will start as a resolution 1st and then it will become an ordinance. Both of these steps have been planned out. The ordinance was placed on the City Council Agenda for October 21st.

Adrienne stated that the terminology must be clear and that words such as trail need to be well defined. Barry added that the improvements should include sidewalks and street repaving. Patrick said the the amendment should include a bicycle parking ordinance.
There was a discussion around what is considered residential development and a concern was voiced that this should not tax or negatively affect the residents.

Amenities such as Bathrooms and Bicycle Fix it stations will likely be incorporated in the requirements for the zoning amendment. The fixit station cost between $600 - $1200. Barry stated that the distance should be reduced from a mile to half a mile for these amenities. The facilities would be privately maintained and concern was raised around the security of the bicycle tools.

Lina will do some additional research on other city ordinance to pull and compare for use in the draft language.

**Motion: Richmond’s Caltrans Sustainable Transportation Planning Grant Program Application to continue the complete streets plan.**
The motion was **Second by Adrienne Harris** and passed unanimously.

**Update: Rumrill Boulevard/13th Street Corridor Mobility Plan - Cynthia Armour**
An update from the Rumrill Boulevard meeting was presented by Cynthia Armour. She mentioned that bike lanes were being strongly considered for the section of Rumrill but closer to Contra Costa College. The entire plan would go from Harbour Way, just before the overpass to San Pablo Ave.

The next step will be a meeting on Tuesday, Feb 10th. possibly at the same place at 5 or six. where 3 options will be presented.

**Staff Report - Patrick Phelan**
Patrick announced the Yellow Brick Road Live Preview event that was happening Friday, October 17 1pm – 4pm and Saturday, October 18 10am – 1pm at Elm Playlot.

**Bike Rack Project Update:**
3 of the racks have been installed. We decided not to install a rack by the Annex Senior Center. We’re getting 5 double and 30 single racks. We received 20 single racks one will go to the main post office.

**More Interest and Locations**
Kieron and Andrew butt are interested in installing bike parking corrals.
Patrick gave out a map with the suggested location.

**Potential Funding**
There is bike parking rack funding from wcctac.
If we did the corrals we would have to pay for the additional cost of creating a corral
The Richmond Greenway: How to keep it clean?
It was suggested that we talk to the City Manager and write a letter advocating for support to maintain the Greenway. We should explore the possibility of using the streetsweepers to maintain the trail. Can we add our off street trail for the pavement management network or maybe code enforcement?

Jim recommended using community service hours to aid in the clean up. There may be school programs that can help with this. Cynthia said that she would look into maintenance programs from other cities that we could mirror.
It was suggested that we develop a workplan to implement and plan a study session to create a work plan to follow up and

Cutting and Carlson - Ann Killebrew
There was an open discussion on plans to make this intersection safe. Patrick Phelan stated that there is a plan for Cutting and Carlson but it is more focused on pedestrian improvements than bike. It has been around for 4 years but it hasn’t moved forward because of the railroad.

A roundabout was considered or doing a grade separation. There are plans for a lot more cargo traffic to be coming through. Adriene mentioned that a grade separation has been a Hot Topic because of the businesses that would be affected by the construction.