



**MEETING MINUTES of the
San Mateo County Bicycle and Pedestrian Advisory Committee (SMCBPAC)
Thursday, April 16, 2026
7:00 P.M.**

500 County Center, Manzanita Hall, first floor
Redwood City, CA 94063

1. WELCOME

Chair Michael Barnes called the meeting to order at 7:00 PM.

2. ROLL CALL

Present:

Michael Barnes
Fred Zyda
John Langbein
Mark Lee
Elaine Salinger
Susan Doherty

Absent:

Cristina Aquino

County Staff: Tory A. Newman, Carter Choi, Chanda Singh, Jessica Moore, and Gina Luiz
Additional attendees: Sue-Ellen Atkinson (San Mateo County Transportation Authority)

3. PUBLIC COMMENT

Member of the public, Michael Swire thanked the BPAC committee for their service to the County.

4. ACTION TO SET AGENDA

Motion: Member John Langbein moved to approve/Member Susan Doherty seconded. The motion carried 6-0.

REGULAR AGENDA

5. Review and Approve February 16, 2026 Regular Meeting Minutes (Action)

Motion: Member Doherty moved to approve/Member Langbein seconded. The motion carried 6-0.

6. Remote Meeting Participation and Start Time (Action)

Member Doherty moved to approve occasional remote participation for BPAC committee members with the preference to continue meeting in person. Member Lee asked whether remote participation would require an emergency excuse and whether, if they joined remotely, would they be allowed to vote. Member Doherty confirmed both.

Motion: Member Doherty moved to approve/Member Elaine Salinger seconded, The motion carried 4-2.

The BPAC Committee confirmed meetings will begin at 6:00 p.m. instead of 7:00 p.m. moving forward.

Motion: Member Langbein moved to approved/Member Fred Zyda seconded. The motion carried 5-0, and Vice Chair Mark Lee abstained.

7. 101 Corridor Connect Program Updates ([Information](#))

Sue-Ellen Atkinson, San Mateo County Transportation Authority, presented on the 101 Corridor Connect Program Update.

Member Salinger asked for the total amount of seed money for the mini-grant program. Ms. Atkinson responded that the amount for the mini-grant is \$4 million. Member Salinger asked if there is an opportunity for additional funding for bicycle and pedestrian projects. Ms. Atkinson said \$4 million is a start, and the San Mateo County Transportation Authority Board of Directors may be interested in offering more funding in the future. Ms. Atkinson pointed out that the plan was to help identify multimodal transportation. Many of the projects are multimodal, and few are highway-focused. She continued to explain that transportation projects have become more expensive over time. The purpose of the program is to leverage funding opportunities. Ms. Atkinson stated they are determining which projects are priorities throughout the County and using that data to help leverage State, Regional, and perhaps Federal funding.

Member Salinger asked whether there is a plan to widen Highway 101 north of I-380. Ms. Atkinson said the San Mateo 101 Managed Lanes Project of North of I-380 is a priority project identified in the North County Multimodal Strategy and was a result of community input that traffic congestion and highway improvements are a priority. The project is in the environmental phase however that does not mean the project is funded or will move forward, that will be determined by the project sponsors.

Member Langbein stated that widening Highway 101 will reduce traffic for a few months, but that it will eventually attract more drivers and will return to the way it was before construction. He asked if the San Mateo County Transportation Authority was stepping back from that philosophy. Ms. Atkins responded that the San Mateo 101 Managed Lanes Project of North of I-380 is a congestion management project.

Ms. Atkins stated there were recent updates about the performance of the 101 Express Lanes, and offered to provide more information.

8. TDA Article 3 Complete Streets Application (Action)

Chanda Singh, San Mateo County Planning and Building – Senior Planner, presented on the TDA Article 3 Complete Streets Application.

Vice Chair Lee asked what EPC stands for, and Ms. Singh replied that EPC stands for Equity Priority Community and that is a designation made by the Metropolitan Transportation Commission (MTC). The area does not have an EPC.

Member Salinger asked if traffic calming techniques would be incorporated to keep active transportation safe. Ms. Singh said the roadway is one-way in each direction, and the posted speed limit is 25 MPH. The main traffic calming improvements are the curb extensions into Main Street and crossing 7th and 8th in Montara. The Connect the Coastside transportation has additional recommendations for bicycle improvements. Unfortunately, there are not enough resources in the grant application for all the improvements. Ms. Singh explained that for this grant, they are pursuing curb extensions, roadway surfacing, and sidewalk completion. They hope to implement other aspects of the project in the future.

Member Langbein asked Ms. Singh if people are in favor of the sidewalks. Ms. Singh responded that there are mixed feelings about sidewalks on the Coast. The project was presented to the Midcoast Community Council for review. Project information was posted on Nextdoor, and they asked the community for their thoughts. People noted the need for sidewalks, especially at the bus stop, and they recognize that this is not a residential area. Ms. Singh said sidewalks would provide access to local businesses, and there are portions of existing sidewalks, and this would create a continuous path.

Chair Barnes asked for clarification on the relationship between the San Mateo County Transportation Authority, MTC, and C/CAG TDA Article 3 funding. Ms. Singh said the project is being funded by C/CAG but using the MTC checklist. Ms. Singh explained that C/CAG operates as a Joint Powers Authority and they administer funding that is passed through funding from the MTC. The MTC is regional and oversees nine Bay Area Counties. They receive funding from the State and Federal government. The MTC administers funds that are locally generated, such as Measure A and Measure W. C/CAG handles other types of funding. TDA Article 3 is money that is being distributed to various counties, and the counties are running their calls for projects. However, counties must comply with MTC policies if they receive funding.

Chair Barnes asked if the parallel path would connect to Moss Beach. Ms. Singh said the extents are to 14th street to Marine Blvd in Moss Beach. The parallel trail included in the project ends at Carlos Street, and the path needs to transition to Carlos Street, which is outside the Caltrans right of way. She explained they will have to look for additional resources and funding for the project. There will be a wide sidewalk from 16th Street to 14th Street in Montara along Highway 1. The vision is to have a Class 1 bikeway along Main Street to 11th Street in Montara and then transition to a Class 3 bikeway.

Michael Swire, member of the public, asked if an analysis was conducted on the average speed of drivers and whether that is compatible with someone riding a bike in the middle of the lane. Ms. Singh stated that there is not enough room for a Class 2 bikeway. She said advisory bike lanes are an experimental process and that they did not explore that process for this project. Ms. Singh stated the posted speed limit in the area is 25 MPH, and there is not a recent speed study. Ms. Singh noted there are no records of incidents or crashes involving cyclists or pedestrians. The curb extensions for traffic calming will narrow the visual field for drivers, they will take up parking spaces on either

side of the street, and cause turning vehicles to slow. They are also shortening the crossing distance for pedestrians.

Member Doherty asked for a link and contact information for the Multi-Asset Roadway Rehabilitation Project for Highway 1. Ms. Singh said she will provide that information to the BPAC committee.

9. BPAC Member Announcements and Discussion (Information)

Member Salinger continues to work on finding a San Mateo County Board member to champion the 1.2 mile gap connecting the Sawyer Camp and Cañada Road.

Member Langbein noted there are minor issues with the Santa Cruz Avenue and Alameda De Las Pulgas Improvement Project. He said when traveling northbound on Santa Cruz Avenue and continuing north on Alameda De Las Pulgas, there is a weave zone that is too short. He researched the CA Manual on Uniform Traffic Control Devices, and it specifies that the weave zone should be 100 feet. He stated it measures about 50 feet. Member Langbein also said the signal timing has changed at the “Y” intersection that splits downtown Menlo Park and Alameda De Las Pulgas. He would like to have it changed so it goes back to the original design specification that was described in the original Board of Supervisors report.

Chair Barnes stated that San Mateo County Board of Supervisors President, Noelia Corzo, is planning a forum on bicycle and pedestrian safety. Chair Barnes is invited, and they would like his perspective as chair of the BPAC committee. He said he will attend the meeting as a private citizen.

Vice Chair Lee said he would like to agendize a discussion on the ordinance on current state laws for the use of e-bikes. He would also like to discuss the enforcement of e-bike rules at the County level for age limits and speed. Jessica Moore, Senior Legislative Aide for Supervisor Jackie Speier, said she welcomes the BPAC committee’s feedback on the e-bike ordinance. She said there is an upcoming Study Session on the topic and invited BPAC committee members to provide input at the Study Session. The target date for the Study Session is May 5, 2026.

10. County Updates (Information)

Carter Choi provided an update on the Coleman Avenue Traffic Calming Project. He said a community meeting was held on March 11th to discuss the project. The County is planning to install speed cushions along unincorporated portions of Coleman Avenue. This is a pilot project with construction and installation planned for this summer.

Mr. Choi emailed the BPAC committee members the Reimagine Dumbarton presentation from the February 16th meeting prior to the start of the April 16th meeting.

Mr. Choi provided staffing updates on the Sustainability positions that were previously held by Joel Slavitt and Vanessa Castro. Public Works will offer a work-out-of-class opportunity to County staff. Vice Chair Lee asked for updates to the Public Works website, as there are still references to Sustainability.

Tory Newman was introduced as the new Director of Public Works, replacing Ann Stillman, who retired in March. Krzysztof Lisaj was announced as the Assistant Director of Public Works.

11. Adjournment

Motion: Member Langbein moved to adjourn/ Member Zyda seconded. The motion carried 6-0.

The meeting adjourned at 8:58 PM