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SITE: Bank of America Building (So. Van Ness @ Market) One South Van Ness Avenue, 7th Floor Union Square Conference Room, #7080

Minutes: February 19, 2015, 1 to 3 p.m.

Present:

Randall Glock, Daniel Catalan, Miro Kielbus, jakkee bryson, Les Clark, Jean Green, Justin Hamada, Lily Marshall-Fricker, Marty Smith, Dorothy Ramey, Byron Yan

Absent:

Heidi Seretan*, Bruce Morgan*, David Longa*, Roland Wong*, Katie Mazza*, Kevin Lee*, Jeanne Lynch*, Vernon Smith*, Ed Evans*, DeMian Williams

1. Approval of Agenda and Minutes

Mr. Smith motioned and Ms. bryson seconded an approval of the agenda and minutes. **Motion Carried.**

2. Public Comment

None.

3. SFPD SFMTA Traffic Company

Commander Manix provided a brief overview of the SFPD Traffic Company. The company is focusing on the following five violations as part of the Vision Zero Strategy:

- Speeding
- Red Light Running
- Fail to Stop at Stop Controlled Intersection
- Fail to Yield to Pedestrian in Crosswalk
- Fail to Yield to Pedestrian when Making a Right Turn

The SFPD Traffic Company also assists with enforcement related to Muni.

Ms. bryson asked about cyclists on sidewalks, and what measures are being taken to discourage this.

SFPD does cite cyclists on the sidewalk; this is a small percentage of all violations, around 3%. Most citations go to motorists (97%). SFPD also has reached out the Bike Coalition which provides classes to cyclists on the rules of the road.

Mr. Yan is also concerned about this, especially cyclists who have no brakes on their bike.

Mr. Kielbus asked about the distracted driving; how does one enforce this? It seems the fines for these infractions are very small; how does one get them to be larger?

Last year 5,500 citations were issued for distracted driving. Cell Phone use is the #1 issue. These citations have fines associated with them, but they do not count as a point on a person's driving record.

Mr. Smith commented on rolling stops; cyclists often do not yield at intersections, and instead perform a "Hollywood Stop".

This is a good point. SFPD is working with Walk SF and the SF Bike Coalition on education materials for all transportation modes. Greater education is needed.

Mr. Catalan asked about J-Walkers.

Ms. Green advocated for the licensing of cyclists. There needs to be more teeth in the enforcement of the rules, currently seems to be more of a slap on the wrist.

Education on the rules of the road for all modes needs to be strengthened. Discussions are also looking at mandatory classes for certain infractions.

Ms. bryson asked who sets the fines.

Best to start with local government, then move to State.

Mr. Kielbus asked about enforcement of illegal activity in shelters.

Report this, call non-emergency line.

4. Van Ness BRT Way Finding Study

Ms. McCarthy provided an overview of the Van Ness BRT project. She then proceeded to summarize a recent wayfinding report produced for the project; which provides guidance on several wayfinding treatments which could be used to assist people with visual disabilities.

Mr. Kielbus stated that the report looks very thorough; he asked about design treatments on Van Ness for cyclists.

Cyclists are encouraged to use Polk Street; both Van Ness and Pol are viewed in tandem. Polk is a better option for cyclists.

Ms. bryson asked about crossing times; will they be extended?

Yes.

Mr. Kielbus asked if Golden Gate Transit will share the transit lane.

Yes.

Mr. Kielbus went on to ask about the Nextbus predictions; will they include those for Golden Gate Transit?

SFMTA will need to confirm this, but the understanding is that NextMuni is only set up to predict Muni arrivals.

5. Items for Upcoming Agendas

Ms. bryson made a motion, which was not seconded, to have a discussion on the impacts of the stroller policy at an upcoming MAAC meeting. **Motion Failed.**

Mr. Smith made a motion, which was not seconded, to have two items on an upcoming agenda; to explore the need for additional cab stands, and to educate pedestrians and cyclists on safety. **Motion Failed.**

Mr. Glock made a motion, and Mr. Smith seconded, to amend the SFMTA MAAC Bylaws. **Motion Carried.**

Mr. Glock, Catalan, Kielbus, Clark, Smith, Hamada, Yan; Ms. bryson, Green, Ramey all in favor; Ms. Marshall-Fricker, abstaining.

Mr. Glock, Mr. Smith, Mr. Wong, Ms. Green, and Ms. Ramey are appointed to serve on the Bylaw Committee.

- 6. Meetings and Upcoming Events None.
- 7. Adjourned at 2:40pm.