

BART Bicycle Advisory Task Force (BBATF)

Meeting Minutes: December 5, 2016

Task Force Members Present: David Favello (Chair), Shirley Johnson (Vice-chair), Rick Goldman (Secretary), Craig Hagelin, Jon Spangler, Mary Ann Blackwell

Absent: None

Item 1 Introductions

BBATF members

Others: Bryan Geysler (Oakland resident), Jon Wong (Oakland resident), Robert Raburn (BART Director)

Item 2 General Discussion and Public Comments

- A. Discussion on new bylaws that have been discussed in previous meetings.
- B. Main change is to allow 3 representatives per county to the BBATF and to extend the term of each representative to 3 years.
- C. Motion submitted and approved to approve new bylaws.

Item 3 Minutes of previous meeting approved

Item 4 Bike Space Straps Test

- A. Steve Beroldo presented User comments about the straps that have been placed in about 30 BART cars.
- B. Almost all of the comments were positive, and wanted more cars equipped with the straps.
- C. Slight preference for the buckle than Velcro.
- D. Based on feedback and observation, will make minor modifications (i.e., buckle version will be shorter) before put in another 60 cars in Q1 of 2017.
- E. Suggestion made to put more than one strap in a car, of various lengths to accommodate multiple bicycles per bike space.

Item 5 Review of Bike Theft Summary Report

- A. Steve has classified bike theft reports from Director Raburn's monthly summary. Steve presented a tabulation for the past 7 months, by station and by type of lock.
- B. Station with most thefts was Dublin/Pleasanton with 19. That station has lots of overflow bicycles parking there - a good candidate for more bike lockers.
- C. 25% of stolen bikes were locked with U-Locks. 3% stolen from a bike locker.
- D. Would be nice to know if stolen bicycles were left overnight.
- E. Last month 4 arrests of attempted bike thieves.
- F. Trend is bicycle thefts are dropping
- G. Rick has volunteered to add earlier bike theft data to data already compiled by Steve. Shirley will then take the data and provide graphical summaries of the data.

Item 6 Bike Stair Channel Initial Design Guidelines

- A. BART has shown an interest in putting stair channels at new stations, and retrofitting stair channels into existing stations.
 - a. 19th Street Modernization plan includes stair channels
 - b. There are about 8 or 9 other stations queued up to get stair channels
- B. Problem is that there are no formal design guidelines
- C. Steve has worked with a consultant to create stair channel design guidelines – what are the optimal standards, and what are the minimum standards that should be met.
- D. For example – ideal channel is 11” wide (like at 16th Street), and given other constraints, a minimum width would be 4.5” (like at Warm Springs).
- E. Beside width, the design guideline also looked at tilt of the channel, transitions from the stairs to the landing zones in the middle of the stairs, location of the handrail, and lighting.
- F. Draft is published and was presented to the BBATF.
- G. A concern was voiced that the design plan did not consider the extra width needed to accommodate bicycles with panniers.

Item 7 Staff Updates.

- A. Walnut Creek Bike Pavilion will be completed in January. Room for 96 bikes.
- B. Pleasant Hill Bike Station – completed design, applying for permits.
- C. Bikeeep Racks (new bike locking system). In January, will install 10 at 16th Street, and 10 at Pleasant Hill.
- D. Bike East Bay theft prevention
 - a. Takes Hiatus over the winter months
 - b. Will resume in March
 - c. Talking 1-on-1 with bicyclists
 - d. Point out recommended locking techniques
 - e. Give out discounts for U-locks
- E. Bike Program Capital Plan
 - a. Steve is working on this
 - b. Identify 9-10 stations that the model predicts will have a need for additional bike parking
 - c. Identify funding sources to implement the plan.

Item 8 Adjournment. Next Meeting February 6, 2017