



TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION

REGULAR MEETING

AGENDA

Thursday, March 17th, 2022, 7:00 pm

Mission: Advise Council on transportation policies, facilities, and services

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A. PRELIMINARY BUSINESS

1. Call to Order
2. Roll Call
3. Public Comment on items not on the Agenda
4. Approval of Draft Action Minutes of [February 17, 2022](#)*
5. Approval and Order of Agenda
6. Update on Administration/Staff
7. Announcements

B. DISCUSSION/ACTION ITEMS

- * Written material included in packet
- ** Written material to be delivered at meeting
- *** Written material previously mailed

The public may speak at the beginning of any item.

1. BerkDOT Update

Farid Javandel, Deputy Director of Public Works

2. Transportation Commission [Work Plan](#)

Review the 2021 work plan for items to be continued; add new or continue work items to create work plan for 2022

Discussion and Action, including a vote on meeting dates and times

3. Subcommittees

Review last year's subcommittee list and assignments; create new or extend subcommittees as needed for the 2022 work plan

Discussion and Action

C. INFORMATION ITEMS AND SUBCOMMITTEE REPORTS

Information items can be moved to Discussion or Action by majority vote of the TC.

1. Subcommittee Reports and Assignments: Verbal Reports from Subcommittees
2. Council Summary Actions 2021 and 2022*
3. Link to Council and Agenda Committee Agendas and Minutes
<https://www.cityofberkeley.info/citycouncil/>
4. Transportation Commission Mission Statement*
5. Transportation Commission Work Plan <http://bit.ly/BerkTCWorkPlan>
6. Transportation Commission Subcommittees and Liaisons*

D. COMMUNICATIONS


E. FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

F. ADJOURNMENT 9:30pm

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DRAFT MINUTES

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A. PRELIMINARY BUSINESS

1. Call to Order

Meeting called to order by Chair Ghosh at 7:01pm

2. Roll Call

Commissioners Present: Barnali Ghosh, Kate Gosselin, Beverly Greene,
Adrian Leung, Liza Lutzker, Karen Parolek,
Kim Walton

Commissioners Absent: Anthony Bruzzone

Staff Present Farid Javandel, Alisha Gard

3. Public Comment on items not on the Agenda: 1 speaker

Community member Tom Yamaguchi spoke to a recent article by Charles Siegel regarding bus service on the 72 line.

4. Approval of Draft Action Minutes of [January 20th, 2022](#)

Action: It was Moved/Seconded (Parolek/Gosselin) to approve the minutes.

Ayes: Ghosh, Gosselin, Greene, Leung, Lutzker, Parolek, Walton

Noes: None

Abstain: None

Absent: Bruzzone

Motion carried 7-0-0-1

5. Approval and Order of Agenda

Action: It was Moved/Seconded (Ghosh/Walton) to approve the order of the agenda.

Ayes: Ghosh, Gosselin, Greene, Leung, Lutzker, Parolek, Walton

Noes: None

Abstain: None

Absent: Bruzzone

Motion carried 7-0-0-1

6. Update on Administration/Staff

Public Works is working to reduce the vacancy rates within the department.

7. Announcements

- On March 3rd, 2022, there will be a public meeting regarding the Dwight to Russell pedestrian crossings and lighting improvements.
- City Council meetings may assume a hybrid format (in-person and virtual components) beginning as early as April.
- The Transportation Commission is waiting for the completion of the North Berkeley Senior Center in order to resume in-person meetings.

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- Hopkins Corridor Traffic and Placemaking Study update: the final public meeting will be held via Zoom on the following dates and segments:

Tuesday, 3/1, 6:00-7:30pm – Sutter St to The Alameda

Monday, 3/7, 6-7:30pm – The Alameda to McGee Ave

Monday, 3/14, 6-7:30pm – McGee Ave to Gilman St

Information about and registration for the upcoming public meetings may be found at www.cityofberkeley.info/Hopkins.

B. DISCUSSION/ACTION ITEMS

1. Chair and Vice Chair Nominations and Elections

Action: It was Moved/Seconded (Greene/Walton) to nominate Vice-Chair Parolek to become Transportation Commission Chair.

Ayes: Ghosh, Gosselin, Greene, Leung, Lutzker, Parolek, Walton

Noes: None

Abstain: None

Absent: Bruzzone

Motion carried 7-0-0-1

Action: It was Moved/Seconded (Ghosh/Walton) to elect Vice-Chair Parolek as Transportation Commission Chair.

Motion carried 7-0-0-1

Action: It was Moved/Seconded (Gosselin/Ghosh) to nominate and elect Kate Gosselin as Vice-Chair of the Transportation Commission

Motion carried 7-0-0-1

2. Commission Consolidation Update

Farid Javandel, Deputy Director of Public Works, informed the Commissioners that the City of Berkeley Council intends to keep the Zero Waste Commission as its own entity. Meanwhile, the fate of combining the Transportation and Public Works Commissions remains unclear, and the matter will go to City Council in April 2022. If the two Commissions are combined then the recommended number of commissioners will be set at nine individuals.

No action. No speakers.

3. BerkDOT Update

Farid Javandel provided the BerkDOT listening session report which has been published to the [Reimagining Public Safety Task Force website](#).

The next steps include building up a comprehensive description of the vision of the BerkDOT program so that the City may advocate at the state legislature level for non-police enforcement activities.

No action. No speakers.

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4. **Transportation Commission Work Plan**

The Transportation Commissioners determined that they would gather ideas, review City Council referrals made in the last 9 months, and vote on a final work plan at the March 2022 meeting of the Transportation Commission.

2 speakers: Tom Yamaguchi and Ray Yep

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D. **COMMUNICATIONS**

E. **FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS**

Transportation Commission Work Plan
Meeting start time
Bike Plan
Commission Consolidation

F. **ADJOURNMENT 9:30pm**

Action: It was Moved/Seconded (Gosselin/Ghosh) to adjourn the meeting.

Motion carried 7-0-0-1

Public Present: 6

Speaker: 3

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City Council Referrals 2021-2022

March 9, 2021 – Regular Meeting

21. Budget Referral: Allocate Transportation Network Companies User's Tax Proceeds and other General Fund Revenues to Support Priority Protected Bicycle Boulevards and the Street Repair Program

From: Councilmember Harrison (Author), Mayor Arreguin (Author), Councilmember Robinson (Author), Councilmember Taplin (Author)

Recommendation:

1. Refer to the June 2021 budget process: a. The first \$500,000 in expected Transportation Network Companies (TNC) User's Tax General Fund revenue toward the construction and maintenance of 18.4 miles of priority protected bicycle boulevards; and b. \$410,000 in expected TNC Tax revenue as revenues become available and an additional \$90,000 from other General Fund revenue to supplement demonstration projects under the Street Repair Program that either directly or indirectly reduce greenhouse gas emissions.
2. Refer to the Transportation Commission to make recommendations to the Council as to allocation of TNC User's Tax in subsequent budget cycles.

Financial Implications: See report

Contact: Kate Harrison, Councilmember, District 4, (510) 981-7140

Action: Approved recommendation as revised in Supplemental Communications Packet #1 from Councilmember Harrison.

March 23, 2021 – Regular

9. Establish a Parking Benefits District (PBD) in the Adeline Corridor and Fiscal Year 2022 Budget Referral

From: Councilmember Bartlett (Author), Mayor Arreguin (Co-Sponsor), Councilmember Taplin (Co-Sponsor)

Recommendation: Refer to the City Manager to establish a Parking Benefits District (PBD) in the Adeline Corridor to finance and support neighborhood improvements-- such as landscaping, lighting, cleaning, pedestrian and transit infrastructure, and more--in South Berkeley and refer to the Fiscal Year 2022 budget process \$50,000 for city staff to hire and manage a consultant to assist in the formation and establishment of the PBD.

Financial Implications: See report

Contact: Ben Bartlett, Councilmember, District 3, (510) 981-7130

Action: Approved recommendation as revised in Supplemental Communications Packet #1 from Councilmember Kesarwani.

March 30, 2021 – Regular

21. Budget Referral: Funding STOP Signs at Dwight Way and California Street

From: Councilmember Taplin (Author)

Recommendation: That the City Council refers to the budget process the funding of two (2) STOP signs at the west and east ends of the intersection of Dwight Way and California Street and refers the City Manager to oversee the expedited installation of these STOP signs.

Financial Implications: See report

Contact: Terry Taplin, Councilmember, District 2, (510) 981-7120

Action: Councilmembers Harrison and Bartlett added as co-sponsors. Approved recommendation.

23. Discussion on East Bay Paratransit and the Transportation Needs of Berkeleyans with Disabilities

From: Councilmember Taplin (Author), Councilmember Bartlett (Co-Sponsor), Councilmember Harrison (Co-Sponsor), Councilmember Hahn (Co-Sponsor)

Recommendation: Refer the Disability Commission and the Transportation Commission to hold a joint public discussion on the use, effectiveness, and accessibility of East Bay Paratransit as well as the transportation needs of the members of our community with disabilities and seniors, and return recommendations to Council.

Financial Implications: See report

Contact: Terry Taplin, Councilmember, District 2, (510) 981-7120

Action: Approved recommendation as revised in Supplemental Communications Packet #3 from Councilmember Taplin to include the Commission on Aging as a cohost of the public discussion.

April 27, 2021 – Regular

18. Approving Proposed Projects Anticipated to be paid for by the State’s Road Maintenance and Rehabilitation Account (RMRA) Funds for FY2022

From: City Manager

Recommendation: Adopt a Resolution approving a proposed list of projects that will utilize funding from the State of California’s Road Maintenance and Rehabilitation Account, and authorize the City Manager to submit the proposed list to the California Transportation Commission.

Financial Implications: See report

Contact: Liam Garland, Public Works, (510) 981-6300

Action: Adopted Resolution No. 69,824–N.S.

21. Vision Zero Annual Report

From: City Manager

Recommendation: Adopt a Resolution: 1. Accepting the City of Berkeley Vision Zero Annual Report for 2020-2021; 2. Affirming the actions and priorities as stated in the 2020 Berkeley Vision Zero Action Plan; 3. Directing the City Manager to form a Vision Zero Coordinating Committee for guiding the implementation of the 2020 Vision Zero Action Plan, including coordinating with the ongoing Berkeley Department of Transportation (BerKDOT) referral response and the Reimagining Public Safety Task Force, with the goal of developing a Vision Zero Traffic Enforcement policy before proceeding with the “Safer Streets by Everyone: Enforcement” actions described in the Vision Zero Action Plan.

Financial Implications: See report

Contact: Liam Garland, Public Works, (510) 981-6300

Action: Adopted Resolution No. 69,827–N.S.

26. Budget Referral: Urgent Remediation of Unsafe Ninth Street Traffic Conditions

From: Councilmember Taplin (Author), Mayor Arreguin (Co-Sponsor)

Recommendation: That the City Council refers to the budget process the funding of traffic calming, traffic diversion, and bike network improvements on Ninth Street between Gilman and Ashby Avenue including but not limited to:

1. Three traffic diverters, one within each collector/arterial segment that currently lacks a diverter: a. Gilman to Cedar b. University to Dwight c. Dwight to Heinz
2. Six permanent traffic circles, including a. Ninth and Page b. Ninth and Virginia c. Ninth and Channing d. Ninth and Parker e. Ninth and Grayson f. Ninth and Heinz
3. Two ADA-compliant, bicycle-friendly speed tables per block
4. Re-engineer the diverter at 9th and Delaware to prevent cut through traffic on 9th, particularly from casual carpool during morning rush hour
5. Initiate a community engagement process to elicit neighborhood feedback and prepare a pilot program for quick-build protected bike lanes along Ninth Street between Bancroft Way and Heinz Avenue
6. Green bike waiting spaces on Ninth Street at University Avenue, both northbound and southbound with loop detectors for bikes at the waiting boxes.
7. Three STOP signs on the north, east and west ends of the intersection at Ninth and Murray Street

Financial Implications: See report

Contact: Terry Taplin, Councilmember, District 2, (510) 981-7120

Action: Approved recommendation as revised by Councilmember Taplin in Supplemental Communications Packet #2.

May 11, 2021 – Regular

17. Support of AB 629 - Seamless and Resilient Transit Act

From: Mayor Arreguin (Author), Councilmember Kesarwani (Co-Sponsor)

Recommendation: Adopt a Resolution in support of AB 629 (Chiu), which would require the Metropolitan Transportation Commission to designate transit priority corridors to support fast and reliable transit service and to create a pilot of a multioperator transit fare pass. Send a copy of the Resolution to Assemblymembers David Chiu and Buffy Wicks, State Senator Nancy Skinner and Governor Gavin Newsom.

Financial Implications: None.

Contact: Jesse Arreguin, Mayor, (510) 981-7100

Action: Councilmember Harrison added as a co-sponsor. Adopted Resolution No. 69,851–N.S.

22. Budget Referral: Traffic Calming of West Berkeley Pedestrian and Cyclist Crossings

From: Councilmember Taplin (Author)

Recommendation: That the City Council refers to the budget process the funding of traffic calming improvements as follows: Rectangular Rapid Flashing Beacons: Ashby Way and California Street; Sacramento Street and Channing Way; Cedar Street and Ninth Street; Sixth Street and Channing Way. Pedestrian Hybrid Beacons: Sacramento Street and Russell Street; Channing Way and San Pablo Avenue.

Financial Implications: See report

Contact: Terry Taplin, Councilmember, District 2, (510) 981-7120

Action: Approved recommendation as revised in Supplemental Communications Packet #2 from Councilmember Taplin.

May 25, 2021 – Regular

Urgency Item: Budget Referral: Funding for Traffic Control Mitigations to Protect Pedestrian Access to Cragmont Elementary School

From: Councilmember Wengraf (Author), Councilmember Hahn (Author), Councilmember Taplin (Co-Sponsor) Mayor Arreguin (Co-Sponsor)

Recommendation: Refer to the Fiscal Year 2022/2023 Budget Process an allocation of \$150,000 for traffic control measures on streets surrounding Cragmont Elementary School, with an emphasis on Marin Avenue, and Spruce Ave to provide as much protection as possible to children, parents, teachers, staff and neighbors accessing the school.

Financial Implications: \$150,000

Contact: Susan Wengraf, Councilmember, District 6, (510) 981-7160

Action: Approved recommendation.

23. FY 2021/2022 Transportation Development Act Article 3 Fund Allocation

From: City Manager

Recommendation: Adopt Resolutions:

1. Authorizing the City Manager to: submit an allocation request to the Metropolitan Transportation Commission (MTC) prior to the May 28, 2021 deadline for \$450,000 of FY 21/22 Transportation Development Act (TDA) Article 3 funds for the Berkeley Bicycle Plan Update and Vision Zero Quick Build Program; accept the funds; execute any resultant agreements and amendments; and authorize the implementation of the project, subject to securing the funds; and

2. Declaring that: the City of Berkeley is eligible to request an allocation of TDA Article 3 funds pursuant to Section 99234 of the Public Utilities Code; there is no pending or threatened litigation that might adversely affect the project or projects described in Attachment B to this resolution, or that might impair the ability of the City of Berkeley to carry out the project; the project has been reviewed by the Bicycle Advisory Committee (BAC) of the City of Berkeley; the City of Berkeley attests to the accuracy of and approves the statements in Attachment A to this resolution; and a certified copy of this resolution and its attachments, and any accompanying supporting materials shall be forwarded to the congestion management agency, countywide transportation planning agency, or county association of governments, as the case may be, of Alameda County for submission to MTC as part of the countywide coordinated TDA Article 3 claim.

Financial Implications: See report.

Contact: Liam Garland, Public Works, (510) 981-6300

Action: Adopted Resolution No. 69,884–N.S. (Berkeley Bicycle Plan Update); Resolution No. 69,885–N.S. (Vision Zero).

30. Budget Referral: Sixth Street Traffic Calming Improvements for the Improvement of Pedestrian and Cyclist Safety

From: Councilmember Taplin (Author)

Recommendation: That the City Council refers to the budget process the funding of traffic calming improvements as follows: 1. Rapid Rectangular Flashing Beacons (RRFB) and a median refuge island at Sixth and Channing Way; 2. A median refuge island at Sixth and Addison Street.

Financial Implications: See report

Contact: Terry Taplin, Councilmember, District 2, (510) 981-7120

Action: Approved recommendation.

33. Budget Referral: Increased Funding for Neighborhood Traffic Calming
From: Councilmember Wengraf (Author), Councilmember Hahn (Co-Sponsor), Councilmember Harrison (Co-Sponsor), Councilmember Droste (Co-Sponsor)
Recommendation: Refer to the Fiscal Year 2022/2023 Budget Process an annual increase in allocation for neighborhood traffic calming from the current 100 thousand dollars to 200 thousand dollars.
 Financial Implications: \$100,000
 Contact: Susan Wengraf, Councilmember, District 6, (510) 981-7160
Action: Approved recommendation.

June 1, 2021 – Regular

19. Adopt a Resolution Updating City of Berkeley Street Maintenance and Rehabilitation Policy
From: Councilmember Harrison (Author), Councilmember Bartlett (CoSponsor), Councilmember Taplin (Co-Sponsor) (Reviewed by the Facilities, Infrastructure, Transportation, Environment & Sustainability Committee)
Recommendation: 1. Adopt a Resolution updating the City’s Street Maintenance and Rehabilitation Policy dated June 1, 2021.
 2. Refer the exploration of potential bonding and funding opportunities for improving the Paving Condition Index (PCI) of streets and creating a Paving Master Plan back to the Facilities, Infrastructure, Transportation, Environment & Sustainability (FITES) Committee for further review.
 Policy Committee Recommendation: M/S/C (Robinson/Harrison) to move the Public Works supplemental item “City of Berkeley Street Maintenance and Rehabilitation Policy to Council” with a positive recommendation including amendments made during the meeting today, and ask Council to refer the exploration of potential bonding and funding opportunities for improving the PCI of streets and creating a Paving Master Plan back to the FITES Committee for further review. All Ayes.
 Financial Implications: Staff time
 Contact: Kate Harrison, Councilmember, District 4, (510) 981-7140
Action: M/S/C (Arreguin/Wengraf) to continue Item 19 to July 13, 2021, including supplemental materials from the Public Works Commission.
 Vote: Ayes - Kesarwani, Taplin, Bartlett, Harrison, Hahn, Wengraf, Robinson, Arreguin; Noes – None; Abstain – None; Absent – Droste.

October 26, 2021 – Regular

23. Budget Referral: Reckless Driving and Sideshow Deterrence Improvements
From: Councilmember Taplin (Author)
Recommendation: That the City Council refers to the FY2023 budget process the funding of sideshow deterrence infrastructure, traffic circles or botts’ dots, at the following intersections:
 Seventh Street and Addison Street, Eighth Street and Channing Way, Bonar Street and Allston Way, Bonar Street and Bancroft Way, additional intersections to be determined by the Transportation Division of the Public Works Department. The Transportation Division shall determine which intersections best qualify for bott’s dots and which qualify for traffic circles.
 Financial Implications: See report

Contact: Terry Taplin, Councilmember, District 2, (510) 981-7120

Action: Approved recommendation as revised in Supplemental Communications Packet #2 by Councilmember Taplin.

31. Budget Referral: Telegraph Shared Streets Feasibility Study

From: Councilmember Robinson (Author), Mayor Arreguin (Co-Sponsor) and Councilmember Hahn (Co-Sponsor)

Recommendation: Refer \$500,000 to the November 2021 AAO process for conducting a feasibility study of the Telegraph Shared Streets project.

Financial Implications: \$500,000

Contact: Rigel Robinson, Councilmember, District 7, (510) 981-7170

Action: Approved recommendation as revised in supplemental materials submitted by Councilmember Robinson at the meeting.

November 9, 2021 – Regular

12. Budget Referral: West Berkeley Residential Preferential Parking (RPP)

From: Councilmember Taplin (Author)

Recommendation: That the City Council refers to the FY2023 budget process the funding of increased staffing, new enforcement vehicles, and sign installations necessary for the expansion of the Residential Preferential Parking (RPP) Program out of its current boundaries into West Berkeley, in zones to be identified and authorized by the Traffic Division of the Public Works Department, as well as for the enhancement of enforcement in existing RPP zones.

Financial Implications: See report

Contact: Terry Taplin, Councilmember, District 2, (510) 981-7120

Action: Approved recommendation as revised in Supplemental Communications Packet #1 from Councilmember Taplin to add the exact streets to include in the RPP program.

November 16, 2021 – Regular

7. Amendment to the Agreement for Maintenance of State Highways in the City between the California Department of Transportation and City of Berkeley

From: City Manager

Recommendation: Adopt a Resolution authorizing the City Manager to execute an amendment to the Agreement with the California Department of Transportation (Caltrans) for maintenance of the State highways within the City of Berkeley. The amendment will address two new traffic signals; 1) the new traffic signal at the intersection of San Pablo Avenue and Parker Street which will be constructed by Kaiser Permanente as part of their project's mitigation measure, and 2) the new traffic signal constructed by Caltrans at the intersection of San Pablo Avenue and Bancroft Way.

Financial Implications: See report

Contact: Liam Garland, Public Works, (510) 981-6300

Action: Adopted Resolution No. 70,108–N.S.

14. Budget Referral: Curtis Street Traffic Diverters

From: Councilmember Taplin (Author)

Recommendation: Refer to the November Annual Appropriation Ordinance the funding of traffic diverters at the following intersections: 1. Curtis Street and Channing Way and 2. Curtis Street and Addison Street.

Financial Implications: \$100,000

Contact: Terry Taplin, Councilmember, District 2, (510) 981-7120

Action: Approved recommendation.

November 30, 2021 – Regular

21. Budget Referral and Resolution Establishing a Pilot Existing Building Electrification Installation Incentives and Just Transition Program with PreQualified Contractors Meeting Minimum Labor Standards to Assist New Property Owners, Renters and Existing Property Owners with Transition to Zero-Carbon Buildings (Reviewed by the Budget & Finance Policy Committee) From: Councilmember Harrison (Author), Councilmember Bartlett (CoSponsor)

Recommendation: 1. Adopt a Resolution establishing:

- a. a referral to Office of Energy and Sustainable Development (OESD) staff to design and launch a two-year Pilot Existing Building Electrification Installation Incentives and “Just Transition” Program, using pre-qualified contractors meeting minimum labor standards to assist new property owners, renters and existing property owners with transition to zero-carbon plumbing, HVAC, cooking, and related electrical systems, with a preference first for assisting existing affordable housing buildings and assisting households at or below 120% of the Area Median Income; and
 - b. an annual process for the Energy (or successor) Commission and the Facilities, Infrastructure, Transportation, Environment & Sustainability Policy Committee (FITES), in consultation with community and labor groups, to provide input to staff and Council about eligible categories of fund expenditures to maximize equitable emissions reductions and impacts for eligible households while leaving the mechanisms for doing so to staff discretion.
2. Send copies of the Resolution and letters to members of the California Public Utilities and Energy Commissions, Governor Newsom, State Senator Skinner, and Assemblymember Wicks conveying urgent support for a statewide approach to rapidly contract the natural gas distribution system in a way that is safe, economical for remaining customers, and that provides a just transition for affected workers, including gas utility and extraction workers.
3. Refer to the November, 2021 AAO budget process:
- a. \$1,500,000 of general fund monies from the American Rescue Plan Act allocation and other sources as appropriate as seed funding for the two-year pilot, inclusive of staff costs, for FY 2022.

Policy Committee Recommendation: On November 3, 2021 the Budget & Finance Policy Committee took the following action: M/S/C (Arreguin/Harrison) to send the item to Council with a qualified positive recommendation including the following amendments: Recommendation 2. That part of the recommended funding source is American Rescue Plan dollars and; Recommendation 1a. Modifying the end of the last sentence to “with a preference first for affordable housing projects and assisting households at or below 120% the area median income.”

Financial Implications: See report

Contact: Kate Harrison, Councilmember, District 4, (510) 981-7140

Action: Moved to Action Calendar. 6 speakers. M/S/C (Harrison/Arreguin) to refer the item to the December AAO Budget Process as revised by the Policy Committee recommendation.

Vote: Ayes – Taplin, Bartlett, Harrison, Hahn, Wengraf, Robinson, Arreguin; Noes – None; Abstain – Kesarwani, Droste.

23. Budget Referral to City Manager to Improve Pedestrian Safety where Sidewalks are Not Provided

From: Councilmember Wengraf (Author)

Recommendation: Refer to the Mid-Year Annual Appropriations Ordinance Budget Process \$100,000 to implement steps to promote increased safety for pedestrians of all ages, including seniors and children, on streets lacking sidewalks. This item is requesting the installation of signage to minimize pedestrian-vehicular conflict points at uncontrolled intersections, and to increase driver awareness of pedestrian activity by posting speed limit signs and other signage as a means to improving safe pedestrian access to schools, neighborhood parks, USPS mailboxes, and school and AC Transit bus stops in areas without the benefit of sidewalks. In addition, this item requests that the City Manager explore the implementation of AB 43 that allows cities to take the safety of vulnerable users into consideration when setting local speed limits. This item requests that the City Manager exercise her authority under the California Vehicle Code to allow for lowering the speed limit to 15 or 20 mph in residential districts where the roadway is less than 25 feet wide.

Financial Implications: \$100,000

Contact: Susan Wengraf, Councilmember, District 6, (510) 981-7160

Action: Councilmembers Droste, Taplin, and Kesarwani added as co-sponsors.

Approved recommendation.

December 14, 2021 – Regular

33. Budget Referral: Pedestrian Crossing Improvements at Ashby and Acton

From: Councilmember Taplin (Author)

Recommendation: That the City Council refers to the FY2023 budget process the funding of Rectangular Rapid Flashing Beacons (RRFB) at Ashby Avenue and Acton Street.

Financial Implications: See report

Contact: Terry Taplin, Councilmember, District 2, (510) 981-7120

Action: Approved recommendation.

34. Budget Referral: Russell Street Bicycle and Pedestrian Improvements

From: Councilmember Taplin (Author)

Recommendation: That the City Council refers to the FY2023 budget process the funding of the following bicycle and pedestrian improvements along Russell Street:

Traffic Circle at Russell & King Street

Cycle Track Crossing at Russell & San Pablo Avenue

Pedestrian Hybrid Beacons at Russell & Sacramento Street

Financial Implications: See report

Contact: Terry Taplin, Councilmember, District 2, (510) 981-7120

Action: Approved recommendation.

35. Commit the City of Berkeley to a Just Transition from the Fossil Fuel Economy (Reviewed by the Facilities, Infrastructure, Transportation, Environment & Sustainability Policy Committee)

From: Councilmember Taplin (Author), Councilmember Bartlett,

Councilmember Hahn, and Mayor Arreguin (Co-Sponsors)

Recommendation: Adopt a resolution (1) committing the City of Berkeley to a Just Transition from the fossil fuel economy, that secures a livable future for all Berkeleyans, combats environmental racism, ensures access to good paying jobs, and cultivates economic and social prosperity for Berkeley in the 21st century and beyond and (2) requiring that all Council reports related to climate include a Just Transition section.

Policy Committee Recommendation: On June 2, 2021, the Facilities, Infrastructure, Transportation, Environment & Sustainability Policy Committee took the following action: M/S/C (Harrison/Robinson) to send the item to Council with a positive recommendation as submitted in the supplemental material and further revised to include a recommendation that all Council reports related to climate include a just transition section.

Financial Implications: None

Contact: Terry Taplin, Councilmember, District 2, (510) 981-7120

Action: Adopted Resolution No. 70,171–N.S. as revised by Councilmember Taplin in Supplemental Communications Packet #2, and further revised at the meeting to be renamed West and South Berkeley Green New Deal.

38. Consideration of Expansion of Paid Parking to Support the Parking Meter Fund and Improved Pedestrian and Bicycle Facilities

From: Councilmember Hahn (Author), Councilmember Harrison (Co-Sponsor), Councilmember Taplin (Co-Sponsor), and Councilmember Robinson (CoSponsor)

Recommendation: 1. Refer to the City Manager and the Transportation Commission to consider the extension of paid metered parking to include all days of the week, paralleling the calendar for off-street parking garages.
2. Consider a pilot, phasing-in, and/or exempting certain areas, and conduct broad outreach to merchants, faith-based and other institutions and organizations, neighborhood groups, and others potentially supported or impacted by change.
3. Consider allocation of potential additional revenues to help offset losses to the Parking Meter Fund incurred during COVID. Once the Fund has recovered, consider allocations to support pedestrian and bicycle facilities to help achieve Berkeley's Climate Action and Vision Zero goals on an accelerated basis.

Financial Implications: See report

Contact: Sophie Hahn, Councilmember, District 5, (510) 981-7150

Action: Approved recommendation.

January 18, 2022 – Regular**18. Refer to the City Manager to Establish a Framework for Parking Benefits Districts in the Gilman and Lorin Commercial Districts**

From: Councilmember Kesarwani (Author), Councilmember Bartlett (Author), Mayor Arreguin (Co-Sponsor), Councilmember Taplin (Co-Sponsor)

Recommendation: Refer to the City Manager to create a basic framework for establishing a Parking Benefits District (PBD) in the Gilman and Lorin Commercial Districts. This framework should include:

(a) A map establishing the boundaries of the Gilman District PBD. Suggested borders of the district should include: (1) on the west, the east side of Eastshore Highway from Page Street to the Albany border; (2) on the north, the Albany border from Eastshore Highway to the east side of San Pablo Avenue; (3) on the east, the

east side of San Pablo Avenue from the Albany border to Gilman Street, both sides of Gilman Street from San Pablo Avenue to Kains, and the east side of San Pablo Avenue to the north side of Page Street; and (4) on the south, the west side of San Pablo Avenue from Page Street to Camelia Street, the north side of Camelia Street from San Pablo Avenue to Sixth Street; the west side of Sixth Street from Camelia to Page; the north side of Page Street from Sixth Street to Eastshore Highway. See map in Attachment 1. (b) A map establishing the boundaries of the Lorin District PBD. Suggested borders of the district should include: (1) on the east, both sides of Shattuck Avenue from Carleton southward to Alcatraz Avenue; (2) on the south, the north side of Alcatraz Avenue from Shattuck Avenue to Martin Luther King Jr. Way; Martin Luther King Jr. Way southward to 62nd Street; 62nd Street to King Street; (3) on the west, King street to Russell Street; (4) on the north, Russell Street to Grant Street; Grant Street north to Carleton Street; and Carleton Street to Shattuck Avenue. See map in Attachment 1. (c) Consideration of expanding the goBerkeley parking program to include installation of paid parking within a subsection of the defined Gilman and Lorin Parking Benefit Districts only where warranted based on parking demand using a demand-based pricing model. (d) Consideration of amending the goBerkeley program to allow net parking revenues to be reinvested within the Gilman and Lorin Parking Benefits Districts where the revenue is generated for the purpose of funding improvements, such as trash removal, sidewalk cleaning, enhanced lighting, signage, beautification like landscaping or other improvements based on input from an advisory board of stakeholders—in alignment with policy requirements of PBDs. (e) Consideration of transportation-related amenities targeted to employees that may include: annual transportation passes to incentivize public transit use, annual memberships in shared electric micro-mobility programs, special employee parking permits, etc. (f) A strategy for conducting outreach to Gilman and Lorin Commercial District stakeholders prior to implementation, including outreach to property and business owners and employees. Financial Implications: See report

Contact: Rashi Kesarwani, Councilmember, District 1, (510) 981-7110

Action: Approved recommendation including revised material in Supplemental Communications Packet #2 from Councilmember Kesarwani.

**19. Budget Referral: Allocate Projected Revenues from Voter-approved Transportation Network Company User Tax to Support Priority Mobility Infrastructure, Including Tier 1 Protected Bicycle Lanes and Crossings, Pedestrian Street Crossings, and Quick-build Public Transit Projects
From: Councilmember Harrison (Author)**

Recommendation:

1. Refer to the June FY 23-24 budget process approximately \$1.4 to \$1.8 million in projected Transportation Network Company (TNC) User Tax General Fund revenue for FY 23 and FY 24, and the actual FY 2022 TNC Tax revenues (projected at \$576,786), toward the construction and maintenance of: i. Tier 1 protected bicycle lanes and crossings identified in the 2017 Bicycle Plan, including but not limited to quick-build projects; and ii. Priority pedestrian street crossings identified in the 2020 pedestrian plan, including but not limited to quick-build projects; and iii. Priority quickbuild public transit projects under the Street Repair Program.
2. Refer to the Public Works and Transportation Commissions (or Successor Commission) in consultation with City staff to provide recommendations to the Facilities, Infrastructure, Transportation, Environment, and Sustainability and Budget and Finance Policy Committees by the end of March 2022 as to the specific

allocation among the priorities in Recommendation 1 to equitably maximize transportation emissions reductions and to enhance mobility and public safety.

Financial Implications: See report.

Contact: Kate Harrison, Councilmember, District 4, (510) 981-7140

Action: Councilmembers Hahn, Bartlett, and Taplin added as co-sponsors.

Approved recommendation.

February 8, 2022 – Regular

16. Budget Referral and Resolution Establishing City Process for Siting and Developing Public Electric Vehicle DC Fast-charging Hubs

From: Councilmember Harrison (Author), Mayor Arreguin (Co-Sponsor), Councilmember Bartlett (Co-Sponsor), Councilmember Wengraf (Co-Sponsor)

Recommendation:

1. Adopt a Resolution in support of a non-binding term sheet between the City of Berkeley and East Bay Community Energy (EBCE) to establish a network of publicly available electric vehicle (EV) fast-charging hubs in municipally-owned parking lots and garages in areas with a dense concentration of multifamily housing.
2. Refer to the June, 2022 FY 23-24 budget process \$600,000 in General Fund revenues to fund Berkeley's annual maximum Service Fee of \$100,000/year per fastcharging hub for three hubs. Once revenues from charging exceed the annual service fee, a portion of revenues will be remitted to the City. Over the 10-year agreement, the City will realize a net gain. Under either a low and high hub utilization scenario, EBCE estimates the City will likely see net profits from Site License Agreement revenue over the ten years estimated at between \$50,000 and \$851,000. In addition, EBCE estimates that the City is already on track to realize an additional \$400,000-\$600,000 in Utility User Tax proceeds annually over next 2-3 years under the Renewable 100 portfolio, and that number could grow to up to \$1.3 million per year by 2025 assuming EV adoption goals are met.

Financial Implications: See report.

Contact: Kate Harrison, Councilmember, District 4, (510) 981-7140

Action: Moved to Action Calendar. 6 speakers. M/S/C (Hahn/Arreguin) to adopt Resolution No. 70,216–N.S.

Vote: All Ayes.

February 22, 2022 – Regular

21. Budget Referral: Channing Street Bike Boulevard Improvements

From: Councilmember Taplin (Author)

Recommendation: That the City Council refers to the FY2023 budget process the funding of the following bicycle and pedestrian improvements along Channing Street:

1. Approx. \$200,000 for four (4) Traffic Circles at Seventh Street, Ninth Street, Browning Street, and Bonar Street
2. Approx. \$50,000 for one (1) Traffic Diverter at Tenth Street
3. Approx. \$500,000 for two (2) Pedestrian Hybrid Beacons (PHB) at San Pablo Avenue and Sacramento Street
4. Approx. \$70,000 for Rapid Rectangular Flashing Beacons (RRFB) and a median refuge island at Sixth and Channing Way

Financial Implications: See report.

Contact: Terry Taplin, Councilmember, District 2, (510) 981-7120

Action: Approved recommendation.

27. Southside Complete Streets Project Conceptual Designs

From: City Manager

Recommendation: Adopt a Resolution approving the conceptual designs for the Southside Complete Streets Project on Dana Street from Dwight Way to Bancroft Way; Bancroft Way from Milvia Street to Piedmont Avenue; Fulton Street from Dwight Way to Bancroft Way; and Telegraph Avenue from Dwight Way to Bancroft Way, and directing the City Manager to direct staff to proceed with the detailed engineering design of the project.

Financial Implications: None

Contact: Liam Garland, Public Works, (510) 981-6300

Action: Moved to Consent Calendar. Adopted Resolution No. 70,241–N.S. as revised in Supplemental Reports and Communications Packet #2 by the City Manager; to adopt the City Manager referral as submitted in Supplemental Reports and Communications Packet #1 from Councilmember Robinson; and to refer the comments from the DBA and the TBID to the City Manager.

March 22, 2022 – Regular

31. Budget Referral: [West Berkeley Transportation Plan](#)

From: Councilmember Taplin (Author)

Recommendation: That the City Council refer \$300,000 to the FY23-24 budget process for the hiring of a consultant to conduct a study and draft a comprehensive plan for transportation in West Berkeley through 2050.

Financial Implications: \$300,000

Contact: Terry Taplin, Councilmember, District 2, (510) 981-7120

City of Berkeley
Transportation Commission

Statement of Mission of Transportation Commission:

To be published with each agenda packet per TC action on 2/21/2019

The Berkeley City Council established this Transportation Commission to advise the City Council on matters related to transportation policies, facilities, and services in the City. We are empowered to hold hearings, gather information, and provide recommendations to the City Council in order to help them make informed transportation decisions. The Transportation Commission's work is guided by several transportation-related documents and policies implemented by the City Council, including the Transportation Element of the General Plan, Bike Plan, Pedestrian Plan, Climate Action Plan, West Berkeley Circulation Master Plan, Complete Streets Policy, and BeST Plan.

Related Plans and Policies:

- A. [Transportation Element](#) (2001) of the [General Plan](#) (2003)
 - a. Transit-First Policy (General Plan Policy T-4 "Transit-First Policy")
- B. [Bike Plan](#) (2017)
- C. [Pedestrian Plan](#) (2010, update in process)
- D. Vision Zero
- E. [Climate Action Plan](#) (2009, 2018 update)
- F. [West Berkeley Circulation Master Plan](#) (2009)
- G. [Complete Streets Policy](#) (2012 Council Resolution)
- H. [BeST Plan](#)(2016)
- I. [Berkeley Bike Boulevard Design Guidelines](#) (2000)

| TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION – Ad Hoc Subcommittee Assignments | | |
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| Subcommittee | Appointees | Assignment/Due Date |
| ACTC/MTC Review (Transportation Commission may also fill the MTC- required role of Bike/Pedestrian Advisory Committee) | Ghosh | Review TDA Article 3-funded Bike & Ped project plans as assigned in 2019 (Staff: advise in advance if BPAC needs to meet) |
| Bicycle Plan Implementation | Greene, Parolek | Monitor Bike Plan projects through 6/2019 |
| Fossil Fuel Free Berkeley | | Develop recommendations for Council; report to TC by 5/2019 |
| Pedestrian Plan Update | Ghosh | Follow, coordinate Ped Plan issues, attend public meetings; report to TC by 6/2019 |
| Vision Zero | Ghosh, Greene | Develop recommendations for VZ policy to supplement Ped Plan and Complete Streets Policy; Report to TC by 6/2019 |
| Legislative Body | Liaison | |
| Alameda CTC (Ashby/I-80 interchange) | Ghosh (Alternate) | Attend ACTC meetings re Emeryville's Ashby/I-80 Project; Update TC |
| Energy Commission | | Attend EC meetings re electric mobility; provide comments; Update TC |
| Public Works Commission | Bruzzone | Attend PWC meetings re Undergrounding Utility wires, paving, Lighting, and Measure T-1 projects |
| goBerkeley Advisory Group | Ghosh Bruzzone (Alternate) | Attend meetings; Report to TC re: value-priced parking program |
| Commission on Disability | Leung | Report to TC on issues of common concern |
| Council Policy Committee on F.I.T.E.S. | Parolek Ghosh | Attend meetings; Report to TC re: Transportation issues |

Ad Hoc Subcommittees (there are no standing subcommittees):

- Must have at least two commissioners present to hold a subcommittee meeting, but never a quorum of the current total TC membership
- **Must be reviewed annually by the Commission to determine if a subcommittee is needed, to specify work assignments, and to establish response times. (Reso. 60,504-N.S.)**
- Do not have officers or submit minutes
- May submit their recommendations as written or verbal reports to support an Action or Discussion item. [The Commission Secretary needs to receive written material 10 days before the meeting date for inclusion in the agenda packet. Late arrivals will be delivered at meeting and published with next agenda.]
- May submit written summary meeting notes for inclusion in the TC agenda packet under Information item or as a Communication.
- Provides staff secretary with agenda content based on TC adopted Work Plan and/or specific assignment by full commission.

Commission Secretary

- Is directly responsible to the Public Works Department Director and City Manager
- Assists the commission by providing available information, ensuring compliance with Brown Act requirements, but is neither a voting member nor an employee of the commission
- Maintains agenda subscription lists, if any; formats, publishes and (e)mails agendas; reserves meeting room
- Coordinates communications between commission and staff, the public, and other commissions
- May attend, but not required to attend subcommittee meetings