



Public Works & Transportation **TO:** Committee

FROM: Councilmember Gallo and Bicyclist and Pedestrian Advisory Commission

SUBJECT: 2024 BPAC Annual Report

DATE: January 7, 2025

RECOMMENDATION

Councilmember Gallo Recommends That The City Council Receive An Informational Report On The Bicyclist And Pedestrian Advisory Commission's 2024 Activities.

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

The Bicyclist and Pedestrian Advisory Commission (BPAC) presents the attached informational report (*Attachment A*) to the Public Works and Transportation Committee per <u>Ordinance No.</u> <u>13215 C.M.S.</u>: "The Commission shall provide annual reports to the Public Works Committee of the City Council to summarize the Commission's work over the course of the year and to identify key policy issues affecting the safety of and access for bicyclists and pedestrians in Oakland."

BACKGROUND / LEGISLATIVE HISTORY

The BPAC was established per Council Ordinance No. 13215 C.M.S. in February 2014 and first met in September of that year. The nine commissioners are appointed by the Mayor and confirmed by the City Council. The Chair of the Public Works and Transportation Committee is named in the Ordinance as the liaison between the BPAC and the City Council, and this informational report has been prepared at the Chair's request. The BPAC is staffed and supported by the Oakland Department of Transportation, Safe Streets Division, Bicycle & Pedestrian Program.

According to its establishing Ordinance, the BPAC's duties are:

- 1. Review and advise on proposed projects for Transportation Development Act Article 3 funding;
- 2. Provide input to staff on the expenditure of Measure B and Measure BB Bicycle & Pedestrian Pass through funds;
- 3. Provide input to staff in the implementation of the City's Bicycle Plan, the Pedestrian Plan, and other related Plans;

4. Identify projects and plans that are pertinent to the Commission's purpose and prioritize those projects and plans for design review by the Commission.

Additional information on the Bicyclist and Pedestrian Advisory Commission is available at www.oaklandca.gov/boards-commissions/bicyclist-and-pedestrian-advisory-commission.

ANALYSIS AND POLICY ALTERNATIVES

Please refer to **Attachment A** for the 2024 Annual Report from the City of Oakland's Bicyclist and Pedestrian Advisory Commission, summarizing the Commission's work and recommendations for the 2024 calendar year.

The work of the Bicyclist and Pedestrian Advisory Commission supports the Citywide policy priorities for: 1) holistic community safety, 2) housing, economic, and cultural security, 3) vibrant, sustainable infrastructure, and 4) responsive, trustworthy government. Traffic safety is of critical importance to the Commission, as is the design and maintenance of transportation infrastructure to support multimodal transportation and improve Oaklanders' quality of life. The Commission seeks out opportunities to amplify the concerns of under-represented groups and works to direct transportation investments to priority equity neighborhoods. The Commission is a resource to City staff and a forum for the public's participation in and review of the City's efforts to improve the safety and access of walking and bicycling in Oakland.

FISCAL IMPACT

There is no cost to the City of Oakland associated with this informational report.

PUBLIC OUTREACH / INTEREST

The BPAC holds public meetings every third Thursday of the month at 6:00 PM in City Hall.

ACTION REQUESTED OF THE CITY COUNCIL

Councilmember Gallo recommends that the City Council receive this informational report on the Bicyclist and Pedestrian Advisory Commission's 2024 activities.

For questions regarding this report, please contact Grey Gardner, 2024 Chair of the Bicyclist and Pedestrian Advisory Commission, at <u>greygardner@gmail.com</u>. For questions regarding the administration of the Commission, please contact Jason Patton, Bicycle and Pedestrian Program Supervisor, at <u>jpatton@oaklandca.gov</u>, (510) 238-7049.

Respectfully submitted,

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Councilmember Gallo

Prepared by: Grey Gardner, 2024 Chair of the Bicyclist and Pedestrian Advisory Commission

Attachments (1):

A. 2024 Annual Report from the City of Oakland's Bicyclist and Pedestrian Advisory Commission