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## **OAKLAND CITY COUNCIL**

ORDINANCE NO.\_\_\_\_\_C.M.S.

Ordinance Creating the Bicyclist and Pedestrian Advisory Commission and Specifying the Terms and Responsibilities of its Commissioners

WHEREAS, Metropolitan Transportation Commission Resolution 4108 requires each jurisdiction to have a City Council-appointed Bicycle and Pedestrian Advisory Committee as a prerequisite to receiving funds from Transportation Development Act Article 3, and

WHEREAS, Transportation Development Act Article 3 is a portion of state sales tax revenues dedicated to bicyclist and pedestrian projects and awarded to jurisdictions for eligible projects based on review and prioritization by a Bicycle and Pedestrian Advisory Committee, and

WHEREAS, the City seeks to receive Transportation Development Act Article 3 funds as a means for implementing the City's Bicycle Master Plan and Pedestrian Master Plan, both part of the Land Use and Transportation Element of the Oakland General Plan, and

WHEREAS, the City's Bicycle and Pedestrian Advisory Committee was formed in 1994 as an informal advisory body to the Public Works Agency and the committee has met monthly since 1995, and

WHEREAS, a City Council-appointed Bicyclist and Pedestrian Advisory Commission will satisfy these requirements and improve the City's competitiveness for discretionary grants, and

WHEREAS, Section 601 of the City Charter reserves to the City Council the authority to reate boards and commissions by ordinance, and to prescribe their function, duties, powers MFETING OF THE jurisdiction and the number of board and commission members, their terms, compensation and commission members, their terms, compensation and CITY COUNCIL JAN 21 2014

THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF OAKLAND DOES ORDAIN AS FOLLOWS:

Section 1 The City Council hereby creates the Bicyclist and Pedestrian Advisory Commission

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Section 2. The purpose of the Bicyclist and Pedestrian Advisory Commission is to advise City Council and staff on bicyclist- and pedestrian-specific policies, projects, and programs, and on the accommodation of bicyclists and pedestrians in all transportation plans, policies, projects and programs. The Commission shall serve as 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. The duties and functions of the Commission are as follows.

- a Review and advise on proposed projects for Transportation Development Act Article 3 funding,
- b Provide input to staff on the expenditure of Measure B Bicycle & Pedestrian Pass-through funds
- c Provide input to staff m implementation of the Bicycle Master Plan, the Pedestrian Master Plan, and other related Plans
- d Identify projects and plans that are pertinent to the Commission's purpose and prioritize those projects and plans for design review by the Commission

Section 3. The Commission shall consist of five commissioners appointed by the Mayor subject to confirmation by the City Council Three commissioners shall constitute a quorum and votes shall carry by a majority of the five commissioners

Section 4. The minimum qualifications for membership are that an individual must live in Oakland and have a demonstrated history of professional and/or community involvement with bicyclist and/or pedestrian issues. In selecting commissioners, the Mayor will strive for geographic representation of Oakland's neighborhoods

Section 5. Commissioners shall be appointed to three year terms that begin on January 1 Commissioners shall serve no more than six consecutive years. Individuals who serve for six consecutive years may be reappointed to the Commission after one year of not serving as a commissioner. The terms shall be staggered such that one of the commissioners' terms will conclude on December 31 of the first year, two will conclude on December 31 of the second year, and two will conclude on December 31 of the third year. If a commissioner does not complete her or his term, a new commissioner shall be appointed for the duration of that term

Section 6. The inaugural commissioners shall be appointed as follows. Subject to confirmation by the City Council, the Mayor will appoint five commissioners with the following terms one commissioner with a term ending December 31, 2014, two commissioners with terms ending December 31, 2015, and two commissioners with terms ending December 31, 2016

Section 7. In the event an appointment to fill a vacancy has not occurred by the conclusion of a

commissioner's term, that commissioner may continue to serve on the Commission during the following term m a holdover capacity for a period not to exceed one year to allow for the appointment of a commissioner to serve the remainder of said following term. However, commissioners shall serve no more than six consecutive years

Section 8. A commissioner may be removed for failing to meet attendance standards. The standards are based on a monthly meeting schedule and apply to regular meetings only, and not to special meetings of the Commission. A commissioner may be removed by a majority vote of the commissioners if in a calendar year that commissioner has four or more excused absences, or three or more unexcused absences, or three or more consecutive absences

Section 9. The Chair of the Public Works Committee of the City Council shall serve as a haison between the Bicyclist and Pedestrian Advisory Commission and the City Council 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

Section 10. The Commission shall establish additional rules of operation and procedures for conducting its business by a majority vote of the commissioners

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