

City of Brisbane

Agenda Report

TO: Honorable Mayor and City Council

FROM: Randy Breault, Director of Public Works/City Engineer via City Manager

SUBJECT: Consideration of Bicycle and Pedestrian Master Plan

DATE: April 2, 2014

City Council Goals: To promote transportation opportunities that maximize safety, reliability, enhance circulation and create options thereby reducing reliance on the use of the automobile. (#5)

Purpose: To obtain Council's input on the proposed development of bicycle and pedestrian master plans; the enhancement of these transportation modes is consistent with the Council's goal of being environmentally progressive.

Recommendation: Provide guidance to staff on any of the following issues

- Whether or not the Council wishes to pursue publication of a Request for Proposals now or at some future date.
- Modifications or additions to the items proposed for inclusion in the Master Plans.
- Comments on proposed funding source for Master Plans.

Background:

Local, state and federal funding sources for bicycle and pedestrian projects all generally include the following requirements and weighted criteria; public involvement in the development of the proposed project, consistency with local, countywide and regional goals, and particularly in the Bay Area - compliance with the One Bay Area Grant Complete Streets Policies.

The city's development of a Complete Streets Safety Committee was a positive first step in creating an organization that could holistically consider multiple issues that were previously siloed during consideration. However, the most effective way to demonstrate compliance with a typical "Call for Projects" application is to have an adopted Master Plan that pre-identifies specific projects and their compliance with city Master Plans and technical elements, with countywide plans/goals, and with requirements imposed by the Metropolitan Transportation Commission.

Discussion:

If Council were to direct staff to move forward with development of an RFP, the following elements are identified as desired final outputs of the final scope of work:

Bike Plan:

- Confirmation of existing Class II bikeways (Bayshore, Sierra Point Parkway)
- Confirmation of support for Class I and II bikeways proposed through Baylands planning area (Bay Trail connection, Geneva Corridor east-west connection, re-establishment of Tunnel Avenue north-south connection)
- Discussion of viability and need/desirability for Class II bikeways on Valley Drive, Mission Blue Drive, Guadalupe Canyon Parkway
- Recommendations of bicyclist amenities (e.g., bike shelters at transit stops) for existing and proposed bikeways

Pedestrian Plan

- Overall – develop a plan that shows existing improved (i.e., sidewalks provided) pedestrian routes and recommended new construction
- An analysis of existing travel patterns from start points and desired end points (e.g., school, work, access to trail heads) that helps prioritize proposed capital improvement projects
- Discussion and recommendation on where sidewalks are proposed, recommended, or not required (including recommendations for Circulation Element as a piece of complying with Complete Streets Act)

Additionally, staff would suggest creating stakeholder group to work with the consultant, with the following initially identified membership:

Complete Streets Safety Committee (1)
Parks & Recreation Commission (1)
Open Space and Ecology Committee (1)
Mothers of Brisbane (1)
At-large Member (1 - preferably a representative from the bicycling community)
Ex officio staff members from Public Works, Police, Parks & Recreation

Fiscal Impact:

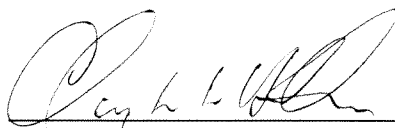
Staff proposes a budget of \$50,000 for this work. Two possible sources for this funding are; proceeds from the sale of city land adjacent to 201 South Hill, and the city's General fund. Over the last few years, grant funding has not been readily available for the development of Master Plans.

Measure of Success

Development of Master Plans that allow the city to successfully compete for and obtain grant funding for pedestrian and bicycle projects.



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