

**PEDESTRIAN-BICYCLIST SUBCOMMITTEE
TECHNICAL ADVISORY COMMITTEE (TAC)
MEETING AGENDA**

HOUSTON-GALVESTON AREA COUNCIL
3555 TIMMONS LANE, 2ND FLOOR CONFERENCE ROOM B
THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 15, 2018
9:30 AM

1. Introductions
2. Public Comments
3. Approval of Minutes for October 19, 2017 Meeting and January 18, 2018 Meeting

DISCUSSION

4. Investment Matrix and Call for Projects (Mr. Vishu Lingala, H-GAC) – **15 Minutes**
Mr. Lingala will provide an update on the investment matrix and future Call for Projects.
5. Interactive Web Tools (Mr. Jeff Taebel, H-GAC) – **20 Minutes**
Mr. Taebel will provide an overview of useful interactive web tools H-GAC has created.
6. Bike to Work Day 2018 (Ms. Diane Dohm, H-GAC) – **15 Minutes**
Ms. Dohm will open discussion to the group regarding Bike to Work Day and potential regional efforts.
<http://bikeleague.org/bikemonth>

INFORMATION

7. Report on Status of Pedestrian-Bicyclist Activities from Members – **2 Minutes Each**
Subcommittee members may briefly discuss current and future walking and bicycling efforts.
8. Next Pedestrian-Bicyclist Subcommittee Meeting: April 19 at 9:30 AM
9. Adjourn
10. Webinar

PEDESTRIAN-BICYCLIST SUBCOMMITTEE

MEETING SUMMARY

October 19, 2017

Houston-Galveston Area Council

3555 Timmons Lane, 2nd Floor, Houston, Texas 77027 (Agency Conference Room 2B)

<u>Organization</u>	<u>Primary Member Present</u>	<u>Alternate Member Present</u>
BikeHouston	John Long	Jessica Wiggins
City of Conroe		
City of Galveston	Tim Tietjens	
City of Houston	Matthew Seubert (Phone)	Anita Hollman
City of League City		
City of Pearland	Christopher Orlea (Phone)	
City of Sugar Land	Monique Johnson	
City of Webster	Evan DuVall, AICP	
Energy Corridor District	Clark Martinson, AICP, AIA	Kelly Rector
Fort Bend County		Tennille Jones
Harris County		
H-GAC		
Houston Parks Board	Thomas Gall	
METRO	Yuhayna McCoy	
TxDOT – Houston District	Ana Ramirez Huerta	Elaine Alvarado
The Woodlands Township	John McGowan (Phone)	
Westchase District	Louis Jullian, IV	

<u>Other Interested Parties Present</u>	<u>H-GAC Transportation Staff Present</u>
Robert Benz, TTI	Patrick Mandapaka, H-GAC
Peter Eccles, Energy Corridor	Diane Dohm, H-GAC
Inge Ford, Bike Houston	David Wurdlow, H-GAC
Megan Kennison, METRO (Phone)	Lucinda Martinez, H-GAC
Brandie Lockett, METRO	Thomas Gray, H-GAC
Steve, FHWA – (Phone)	Vishu Lingala, H-GAC
David Manuel, Walter P. Moore	

1. Call to Order/Certify Quorum and Introductions

Chair Clark Martinson called the meeting to order and confirmed that Quorum was met. The members of the Pedestrian-Bicyclist Subcommittee introduced themselves for the record. Also, Chair Martinson stated that he had to leave the meeting early and turned the meeting over to Monique Johnson, Vice-Chair, City of Sugar Land.

2. Public Comments

There were no Public Comments.

3. Approval of Minutes for June 12, 2017 meeting (Chair Clark Martinson)

The minutes of the June 12, 2017 meeting were approved as presented.

DISCUSSION

4. Outcomes from Safety Workshops (Ms. Diane Dohm, H-GAC)

Ms. Diane Dohm, H-GAC, briefed the committee on the outcome of two Safety Workshops that occurred in July and September. Some key issues brought up by attendees were regarding safety and the differences in bicycle and pedestrian crashes, injuries, time of day, day of week and location. Ms. Dohm provided a preliminary list of high crash areas. Ms. Dohm mentioned plans for two FHWA Workshops in 2018 with locations to be determined and future work with FHWA to develop a Regional Pedestrian and Bicyclist Safety Plan in 2018-2019.

5. Safety Outreach (Ms. Jessica Wiggins, Bike Houston)

Ms. Jessica Wiggins, Bike Houston, briefed the committee on Bike Houston's mission and described their outreach efforts to improve safety for bicyclists in the City of Houston and the surrounding area. Ms. Wiggins requested committee members to provide suggestions on how to improve safety for bicyclists at intersections. Some suggestions from members included:

- Enhanced striping or bike lane designation at or through intersections and underpasses
- Coordination between City of Houston and TxDOT on bike lane striping at intersections
- Enhanced signals or lights that would designate safe bike lanes to motorists

6. Nonmotorized Safety Measure and Target (Mr. Patrick Mandapaka, H-GAC)

Mr. Patrick Mandapaka, H-GAC, discussed nonmotorized safety measures and targets for the Houston-Galveston Area Council region for 2022. MPO targets are due to the state by February 2018.

7. Priority Investment Matrix (Mr. David Wurdlow, H-GAC)

Mr. David Wurdlow, H-GAC, discussed Regional Transportation Plan investment strategies and options in the Houston-Galveston including First Mile/Last Mile Gaps, Pedestrian Safety Treatments, ADA Improvements of the Pedestrian Network, and Expansion of the Regional Bikeway System. Group discussion followed the presentation.

8. Strava Data (Ms. Diane Dohm, H-GAC)

Ms. Diane Dohm, H-GAC, discussed workshops held by TxDOT in September regarding Strava data. Ms. Dohm also briefed the subcommittee on what the requirements are for local agencies to gain access to the full dataset and where to get more information. Ms. Dohm described what information local agencies could share after accessing Strava data and other resources.

9. Regional Pedestrian & Bicycle Plan Update (Ms. Diane Dohm, H-GAC)

Ms. Diane Dohm, H-GAC, discussed the key tasks in the Regional Pedestrian and Bicycle Plan Update, including updating and printing the Regional Bicycle Map. Ms. Dohm provided a timeline on those efforts, which will finalize in the Fall of 2018. Ms. Dohm requested volunteers from the committee to form an advisory workgroup to help with the update. Ms. Dohm also discussed the use of a partner outreach survey and public outreach survey that will occur in early 2018. Ms. Dohm suggested the use of local partners to assist in the distribution of the public outreach survey. Group discussion followed the presentation.

10. Regional Pedestrian-Bicyclist Traffic Monitoring Program (Ms. Diane Dohm, H-GAC)

Ms. Diane Dohm, H-GAC, described H-GAC's Regional-Bicyclist Traffic Monitoring Program, including the locations for permanent and temporary counters. Ms. Dohm requested members to contact her if they wished to install a permanent counter in their jurisdiction. Group discussion followed the presentation.

INFORMATION

11. Report on Status of Pedestrian-Bicyclist Activities from Members

Vice-Chair Johnson invited subcommittee members to briefly discuss current and future walking and biking efforts in their communities and members provided updates.

12. Next Pedestrian-Bicyclist Subcommittee Meetings: January 18, 2018

13. Meeting Adjourned

14. Webinar – APBP “Designing Transit to Support Active Transportation and Vice Versa”

PEDESTRIAN-BICYCLIST SUBCOMMITTEE

MEETING SUMMARY

January 18, 2018

Houston-Galveston Area Council

3555 Timmons Lane, 2nd Floor, Houston, Texas 77027 (Agency Conference Room 2B)

<u>Organization</u>	<u>Primary Member Present</u>	<u>Alternate Member Present</u>
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City of Houston		
City of League City		
City of Pearland		
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<u>Other Interested Parties Present</u>	<u>H-GAC Transportation Staff Present</u>
Robert Benz, TTI	Patrick Mandapaka, H-GAC
David Manuel, Walter P. Moore	Diane Dohm, H-GAC
Clint McManus, H-GAC	Lucinda Martinez, H-GAC
Kei Ashizawa, Powis Firm	Thomas Gray, H-GAC
Ellen Feisinger, UT	Vishu Lingala, H-GAC
Katie Chenessi, Harris County Public Health	Alan Rodenstein, H-GAC
Mark Salerno, Harris County Public Health	Eric Gayetsky, H-GAC

1. **Call to Order/Certify Quorum and Introductions**
Due to the absence of Chair Martinson and Co-Chair Johnson, Past-Chair Evan DuVall called meeting to order.

2. **Public Comments**
There were no Public Comments.

3. **Approval of Minutes for October 12, 2017 meeting (Past Chair Evan DuVall)**
The minutes of the October 12, 2017 were not approved due to a lack of quorum. Approval

of minutes was deferred to the next meeting of the subcommittee.

DISCUSSION

4. Investment Matrix and Call for Projects (Mr. Vishu Lingala, H-GAC)

Mr. Vishu Lingala, H-GAC, provided an update on the 2045 RTP investment strategy and investment matrix and future call for projects. Mr. Lingala mentioned that this update had been provided to the Transportation Policy Council, Technical Advisory Committee and other committees and many public comments were received but no major changes were made.

5. Regional Transportation Plan Public Outreach (Mr. Joshua Shideler, H-GAC)

Mr. Joshua Shideler, H-GAC, provided an update on the 2045 RTP Public Outreach efforts to promote the 2045 RTP. Mr. Shideler provided a handout to the subcommittee of the scheduled 2045 RTP Public Meetings in March through April 2018.

6. Regional Pedestrian & Bicycle Plan Update (Diane Dohm, H-GAC)

Ms. Diane Dohm, H-GAC, provided an update for the Regional Pedestrian and Bicycle Plan. Ms. Dohm let the committee know that she will be attending all of the 2045 RTP public meetings. Also Ms. Dohm will provide posters, answer questions and enable attendees to provide comments regarding regional pedestrian and bicycle efforts in the 2045 RTP. Ms. Dohm also updated the committee on the Bicycle Advisory Workgroup discussion that took place in December 2017. One suggestion by the workgroup was to rename the Regional Pedestrian & Bicycle Plan the “Regional Active Transportation Plan” as well as fun branding to the plan. Beginning in February 2018, two surveys will be released, one to this subcommittee asking specific questions about the plan and what the members would like to see in the plan. The public survey will ask questions regarding the pedestrian and bicycle system throughout the region as well as locally. Question and answers followed.

7. Safe Routes to School (Ms. Katie Chennisi, Harris County Public Health)

Ms. Chennisi made a presentation on on-going efforts to promote the City of Pasadena’s Safe Routes to School (SRTS) program and provided a short video with examples of two events at local schools in the Pasadena School District.

8. Bike to Work Day (Ms. Diane Dohm, H-GAC)

Ms. Dohm provided an update to the subcommittee on the dates of May 14th through May 18th as National Bike Week and May 18th is National Bike to Work Day. Ms. Dohm also discussed the potential re-scheduling of Bike to Work Day from May to April in 2019 due to high temperatures in Houston in May. Ms. Dohm also discussed potentially adding another Bike to Work Week in October when temperatures are cooler. Ms. Dohm asked members to talk about what they did in 2017 for Bike to Work Day in their communities and what they hope to do in 2018. Members provided some information regarding their outreach efforts and biking activities. Discussion followed.

INFORMATION

9. Report on Status of Pedestrian-Bicyclist Activities from Members

Past Chair DuVall invited subcommittee members to briefly discuss current and future walking and biking efforts in their communities, and subcommittee members provided updates.

10. Next Pedestrian-Bicyclist Subcommittee Meetings:

April 19, 2018 and potential Special Meeting in February - TBD

Meeting Adjourned