

## RPC Meeting Summary

February 21, 2008  
9:30 – 11:30 am

### Intros:

Sean Co  
Michelle DeRobertis  
David Grant  
Marshall Loving  
Rochelle Wheeler  
Brad Beck  
Beth Thomas  
Jason Patton  
Bob Planthold  
Sara Woo  
Robert Guerrero  
Sabrina Merlo  
Rogam Bazeley  
Sam

### Summary of last meeting:

Rochelle Wheeler took notes at previous meeting

### Vice Chair Election:

Heath Maddox was elected as Vice Chair

### Elderly/Disabled Advisory Committee Representatives:

The Chair and Vice Chair of the Elderly and Disabled Advisory Committee (EDAC) discussed their interest any potential overlap of efforts with the RPC. Sam and David Grant's primary goal was to identify information, resources, community partners, and plans to help address pedestrian safety. The group provided various comments and suggestions:

- UCSF – observational tool
- Accident/injury data to identify hotspots
- EDAC has a pedestrian safety advisory committee
- SF Department of health made maps of accident areas
- CHP has data
- CHP is considering revising form 455 to clarify the definition of a pedestrian (Bob)
- Accident data is not done by counties but more on a city level (Michelle)
- Contact County paratransit coordinating councils (Robert)
- Alameda County would be interested in working with EDAC (Rochelle)
- Scale project concepts so that they are practical (Nancy)

RPC encouraged EDAC to continue to participate in RPC meetings.

### Regional Ped Plan – Planning Needs:

Brad Beck and Rochelle Wheeler facilitated a discussion about their work with the “Implementation” chapter. The group discussed the need to extend pedestrian districts. Nancy reminded the group to consider how the Plan would be a useful tool and who its users will be. Jason stated the importance to appropriately define what responsibilities would be more compelling for MTC to operate (i.e. funding and encouragement, what MTC’s roles could be). It was discussed that it will be important to set up the framework for this.

Michelle suggested including program needs, stating the need to specify where estimates will come from. The group agreed to keep in mind the “big picture” of finding a way to explain the most effective way to make change, given that there isn’t enough money.

The group discussed clean air quality and environmental concerns. A way to measure/evaluate the benefits of walking will be important (see Toronto and San Francisco). The group could come up with some criteria. Sean mentioned using the limited data/tools available and connecting it to policy may be used as a tool instead of looking to where tools don’t exist. Robert asked if the priorities would be local choices or choices based on policies that may come out of the document.

### Work Plan:

Jason, Sean, and Nancy met to discuss the work plan for 2008 and 2009. The following changes were suggested for the Work Plan:

1. “Provide input to MTC staff on how pedestrian needs fit...”  
Consider a another word for “provide” (i.e. persuade, provide comment, collaborate with)
2. “~~Conclude~~ Complete draft of regional pedestrian planning needs...”
3. No change to #3
4. “Establish a ~~link~~ an open forum/communication...”
5. No change to #5
6. No change to #6
7. No change to #7

Committee agreed to submit comments to Sean to bring back to next meeting.

### Evaluating the Regional Bicycle and Pedestrian Program in T-2035:

Sean talked about the review of the RBPP and all other programs as part of the T-2035 update. He discussed the “performance based” evaluation criteria for the Regional Bicycle and Pedestrian Program (i.e. delay, environmental impact, safety, equity, and others).

The concern at the meeting was that there is limited quantitative analysis. Since the RBPP is new with limited information to evaluate the benefits of bicycle and pedestrian programs, the review could become a qualitative/policy review instead.

### Info Sharing:

Federal Safe Routes to School – no info about SRTS call for project; anticipating early April  
Trade off discussions for RTP will take place in June

\*Provide RPC with a timeline for T-2035

Notes by Sara Woo