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**BICYCLE/PEDESTRIAN ADVISORY COMMITTEE  
STANCOG BOARD ROOM  
1111 I STREET, SUITE 308  
MODESTO, CA  
March 6, 2012 (TUESDAY)  
5:30 PM**

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**AGENDA**

- 1. CALL TO ORDER**
- 2. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**
- 3. ROLL CALL**
- 4. PUBLIC COMMENTS**

*These matters may be presented only by interested persons in the audience. Discussion is limited to five minutes or at the discretion of the Chair.*

**5. CONSENT CALENDAR**

- A. Motion to Approve Minutes from January 3, 2012

**6. PRESENTATIONS**

- A. 2012 Non-Motorized Transportation Update by Fehr & Peers

**7. PUBLIC HEARINGS-None**

**8. DISCUSSION/ACTION ITEMS**

- A. Appointment of BPAC Secretary
- B. Appointment of Alternate Representative for Sustainable Communities Strategy (SCS) Committee
- C. "Share the Road" Signs
- D. Survey Update
- E. Bicycle Flyer Update
- F. Pedestrian Survey/Flyer

**9. MEMBER REPORTS**

**10. ADJOURNMENT**

**Next Regularly Scheduled BPAC Meeting:**

**May 1, 2012 (Tuesday) @ 5:30pm**

**StanCOG Board Room**

**1111 I Street, Suite 308**

**Modesto, CA 95354**



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**TO:** Policy Board

**Staff Report**  
Information

**THROUGH:** Vince Harris, Executive Director

**FROM:** Carlos Yamzon, Senior Planner  
Charles Turner, Associate Planner

**DATE:** February 7, 2012

**SUBJECT:** Bicycle/Pedestrian Advisory Committee meeting – January 3, 2012

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### **Background**

The BPAC is to be made up of one representative from each of the cities and the County. BPAC members provide the Policy Board and their respective jurisdictions with ideas, suggestions, and comments on issues of concern to the bicycle and pedestrian community, seek regional solutions to the needs of bicyclists and pedestrians, and review/comment on StanCOG's Non-Motorized Transportation Plan. The BPAC currently has openings on the committee for the cities of Waterford and Hughson.

### **Discussion**

During the Public Comments portion of the January 3, 2012 meeting, a member of the community has several questions concerning the function of the BPAC and why they were not given the same packet as the Citizen Advisory Committee. A discussion followed to explain the duties and function of the BPAC. The individual was provided with a copy of the BPAC By-Laws which shows the parameters under which the BPAC operates and encouraged to work with the local jurisdictional planning commissions and Planning Departments.

There was a discussion of the selection of the consultant to update the Non-Motorized Transportation Master Plan and why the firm that developed the plan in 2008 was not selected to complete the update. He was informed of the make-up of the review panel and Chairman Lennox Harris provided some insight of the reasons for the recommendation forwarded to the StanCOG Executive Director.

There was also a discussion of funding sources and grant opportunities. It was explained that the local jurisdictions determined their individual projects. As a result of his concerns, a copy of the FTIP Monthly Project Status Report will be sent to each member of the BPAC. It was also announced that there will be a CMAC call for projects starting on January 20<sup>th</sup> and ending February 21<sup>st</sup>.

After the Public Comment period, we continued with the Agenda:

**A. Bike Survey Prize Drawing Presentations** – Prize winners were notified by email. One prize was awarded but there was no response from the other prize winners. Additional emails will be sent to re-notify those who have won.

**B. Appointment of Alternate Representative to the SCS committee** – Item was tabled until the February meeting

**C. Survey Update** – There was good response to the survey flyer that was initiated during the AmGen Tour. Approximately 3,000 flyers were distributed to schools, sporting goods stores, libraries, and other various merchants throughout the Stanislaus County. We received responses from 293 individuals. The BPAC will now look at developing a Pedestrian Survey and updating the Bicycle Survey and flyer.

**D. Bicycle Lane Width Issues** – Concern with bicycle lane width lead to research into the requirements by CalTrans. Information was provided to the committee which indicated that lane width is a major factor. The State cites a 3 foot minimum between a motor vehicle and bicycle. Where there is not a sufficient buffer, a bicycle may use a full lane until such time that a buffer exists. This is consistent with existing California Vehicle codes and proposed SB 910 (see attachment). SB 910 was vetoed by Governor Brown.

**E. Bicycle Road Signs** – Since the adoption of a new bike lane sign (see attachment), there is renewed interest in assisting the County and local jurisdictions post the new signs. Several bicycle clubs are willing to provide the signs if the local jurisdictions will post them. Estimates are being developed to determine costs.

**F. Road Projects Discussion** – Per committee request to have additional information regarding road projects in Stanislaus County, StanCOG will now provide committee members with the latest FTIP Project Status Report. The report will provide the committee with information regarding road projects in their local jurisdictions.

**G. Revised Meeting Schedule for Calendar Year 2012** – The committee was provided with he revised meeting schedule for 2012. This included a change that will permit the regularly scheduled BPAC meeting in July.

Advisory Committees comments: There were no questions or comments from the Advisory Committees

**Attachment:**

Newly adopted MUTCD bicycle lane sign