City of Gilroy

Bicycle Pedestrian Commission

Strategic Plan 2020

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The Bicycle Pedestrian Commission is inviting the public to attend our monthly meetings where we are actively embracing and advancing ideas and projects that promote the concept of free-range people in the City of Gilroy.

On the 4th Tuesday of each month. Located at the City Council Chambers 6:00pm. You can see our current agenda and minutes on the City of Gilroy website under Commissions and Committees.

We are seeking your input whether you are a BMX rider, trail runner, recreational bike rider, MTB rider, walker, and hiker!

Commissioner-Zachary Hilton, Chair
Commissioner-Patrick Flautt, Vice-Chair
Commissioner-Chad Reeder
Commissioner-Sean Reedy
Commissioner-Lionel Gonzalez
2020 Goals

City Council 2020 Strategic Goals:
1) Ensure Financial Stability
2) Enhance Public Safety Capabilities
3) Revitalize Downtown
4) Focus on Revenue Driven Economic Development
5) Retain Stability in the City’s Workforce
6) Provide Opportunities for Meaningful Public Engagement
7) Ensure Neighborhoods Benefit Equally from City Services

#1 BMX Dirt Pump Track at Christmas Hill Park, work with Garlic City BMX Non-Profit or any organization, Gilroy Sports Park & Parks Master Plans to include BMX dirt track. City Council Strategic Plan Goal #2, #3, #4, #6

#2 Safe Routes to School Coordinator Position-- support use of Measure B Bicycle and Pedestrian Education and Encouragement funds to create a staff position to lead the Gilroy SRTS Task Force in carrying out the Gilroy SRTS Action Plan and to support staff in growing and sustaining active transportation education, encouragement, evaluation, engineering, enforcement, and funding activities. City Council Strategic Plan Goal #1, #2, #3, #4, #6, #7

#3 Electric Charging Stations for Alternative Modes of Transportation and help with public outreach. City Council Strategic Plan Goal #1, #3, #4
https://youtu.be/EbJ-pQEfTIs?t=74
https://youtu.be/iQG32zYGfLE?t=2

Advocate and pursue all mean of alternative and active transportation for Gilroy, CA while taking a leadership role in Santa Clara County. With the City Council continued support of tourism in Gilroy, an e-bike/e-scooter share program will enhance that goal. Participate and plan open streets events in Gilroy. Develop relationships with car share programs that have bike racks.
Building a Downtown network that encourages biking and walking, encourage bicycle parking at all public events

Complete Streets policy added to General Plan 2040 during GPAC

Design and build of a Bicycle Pedestrian Bridge from Hecker Pass Trail at Burchell Rd to Gilroy Gardens

Support the building of a 2nd Paseo Walkway, Conversion of Gourmet Alley St from 4th-5th into a Bicycle-Pedestrian Facility while enhancing it into a destination for food/shopping

Bike to Work Day/Bike to School Day continue to promote in May Annually, Energizer Station at Gilroy Train Station

Update Gilroy Trails Master Plan, Bicycle Pedestrian Transportation Plan, Parks Master Plan, Establish a Bike Parking Ordinance

Work closer with the Parks and Recreation Department. Promote more trails and trail running at Christmas Hill Park. Promote a trail building day. Outreach to people walking/biking to city parks and include material for Spanish speaking residents for outreach.

Work with any organization or group that hosts a bicycle or pedestrian event in Gilroy.

Be the conduit for community concerns about bicycle and pedestrian facilities. Work with Public Works and City Engineering in addressing concerns. Address the safety issues at the Orchard/10th Street crossing by Gilroy High School and figuring out a solution to make it safer.

Get Gilroy ranked in Walk Friendly Communities
http://walkfriendly.org

Santa Clara County Healthy Cities Program: Endorse NACTO Street Design Guidelines, SRTS Joint GUSD/City of Gilroy Resolution, Incentives for Walking and/or Biking, Smoke Free Parks, Trails, Events, and Recreation Areas, Healthy Language in General Plan, Dedicated SRTS and/or Bike/Ped Coordinator
GRANTS/PROGRAMS

Santa Clara County Water District Access to Trails Grants-
We have contacted the SCC Water District grants program
https://www.valleywater.org/learning-center/grants-partnerships

Transportation Fund for Clean Air-

VERBS-
http://www.vta.org/projects-and-programs/call-for-projects The Metropolitan Transportation Commission (MTC) created a funding program Climate Initiative Safe Routes to School Program that focuses on reducing greenhouse gases (GHG) by promoting walking, biking, transit, and carpooling to school.

Bay Area Air Quality Management District/Bicycle Rack Voucher Program-
Here’s the http://www.baaqmd.gov/bikeways for BRVP. Signed up to receive notice for next fiscal cycle.

Bicycle Expenditure Program

Specialized Foundation Riding for Focus Grant

Metropolitan Transportation Commission (MTC)
http://mtc.ca.gov/our-work/plans-projects/bicycle-pedestrian-planning
Bike Share Capital Project

People For Bikes
http://www.peopleforbikes.org/pages/grant-guidelines?mc_cid=bd8953f6f1&mc_eid=be6c7a1944 Bicycle Infrastructure Projects. Calls for projects June and December.

Active Transportation Program
http://www.dot.ca.gov/hq/LocalPrograms/atp/
The purpose of the Caltrans ATP is to encourage increased use of active modes of transportation.
America Walks Community Change Micro Grants
Improving the public sphere for walking or otherwise helping to make walking more commonplace. This program awards up to $1,500 to fund or help to catalyze smaller-scale, low-cost projects and programs that increase the prevalence of walking, expand the diversity of people and organizations working to advance walkability, and help to make walking safer, easier, and more fun for all community members.

Urban Greening Grant Program
http://resources.ca.gov/grants/urban-greening/
Funds community-based green infrastructure projects, including bike and pedestrian paths. Opens January 26, 2019

Caltrans Transportation Planning Grant Program
http://www.dot.ca.gov/hq/tpp/grants.html September 2018 Call for projects/November 2018 Grant Deadline
- **Sustainable Communities Grants** ($29.5 million) to encourage local and regional planning that furthers state goals, including, but not limited to, the goals and best practices cited in the Regional Transportation Plan Guidelines adopted by the California Transportation Commission.
- **Strategic Partnerships Grants** ($4.3 million) to identify and address statewide, interregional, or regional transportation deficiencies on the State highway system in partnership with Caltrans. New for FY 2018-19 is a transit component that will fund planning projects that address multimodal transportation deficiencies with a focus on transit.
- **Adaptation Planning Grants** ($7 million) to support planning actions at local and regional levels that advance climate change efforts on the transportation system.

Department of Transportation (DOT BUILD Grant)
https://www.transportation.gov/BUILDgrants July 19 2018
BUILD Transportation grants replace the pre-existing Transportation Investment Generating Economic Recovery (TIGER) grant program. As the Administration looks to enhance America’s infrastructure, FY 2018 BUILD Transportation grants are for investments in surface transportation infrastructure and are to be awarded on a competitive basis for projects that will have a significant local or regional impact. BUILD funding can support roads, bridges, transit, rail, ports or intermodal transportation.

Safe Routes to Parks
https://www.saferoutespartnership.org/healthy-communities/saferoutestoparks
The Safe Routes to Parks Activating Communities program builds on the Safe Routes to Parks Action Framework and Safe Routes to Parks Pilot Site program, developed in collaboration with the National Recreation and Parks Association.

**Doppelt Family Trail Development Fund**  
Call for projects Jan 2019  
The Doppelt Family Trail Development Fund, launched in 2015, is managed by RTC and provides funding to support organizations and municipalities that are implementing projects to build and improve multi-use trails. In 2019, RTC will award $105,000 of the Doppelt Fund to organizations and local agencies that are working to improve and connect trails across the country.

**Priority Conservation Areas (PCA) Grant Program**  
Call for projects due Feb 2019  
The State Coastal Conservancy (SCC), in cooperation with the Metropolitan Transportation Commission (MTC) and Association of Bay Area Governments (ABAG), is pleased to issue a call for proposals focused on the Bay Area’s Priority Conservation Areas designated under Plan Bay Area 2040.

**California River Parkways Grant**  
[http://resources.ca.gov/grants/california-river-parkways/](http://resources.ca.gov/grants/california-river-parkways/)  
The California Natural Resources Agency (Agency) will be accepting concept proposals for the California River Parkways grant program August 15, 2018 through September 27, 2018. Awards for River Parkways projects in the approximate amount of $7.0 million will be funded by Proposition 68 for purposes of the California River Parkways Act of 2004.

**Recreational Trails Program California Dept of Parks and Recreation**  
The Recreational Trails Program (RTP) provides funds annually for recreational trails and trails-related projects. The RTP is administered at the federal level by the Federal Highway Administration (FHWA). It is administered at the state level by the California Department of Parks and Recreation (DPR) and the Department of Transportation (Caltrans) Active Transportation Program (ATP). Non-motorized DPR projects are administered by the Office of Grants and Local Services and motorized projects are administered by DPR’s Off-Highway Motor Vehicle Recreation Division. February 3, 2020 Application Deadline  
OGALS is pleased to announce that Applications must be postmarked by February 3, 2020.  
[https://www.parks.ca.gov/?page_id=24324](https://www.parks.ca.gov/?page_id=24324)
Bloomberg Philanthropies  
https://asphaltart.bloomberg.org/grants/  (October)  
Supporting pilot projects to demonstrate the impact of these low-cost activations and encourage cities to develop their own processes for implementing effective asphalt art projects. The Asphalt Art Initiative grant program is designed to fund visual art interventions on roadways, pedestrian spaces, and public infrastructure in small- and medium-sized U.S. cities (with populations of 30,000-500,000) with the goal of:

- Improving street and pedestrian safety  
- Revitalizing and beautifying underutilized public space  
- Promoting collaboration and civic engagement in local communities  

The program will award ten (10) cities grants of up to $25,000 each. Each grant must be used to design and implement at least one project in the applicant city during calendar year 2020.

AARP Community Challenge Grant  
The AARP Community Challenge provides small grants to fund "quick-action" projects that can help communities become more livable for people of all ages. Applications are being accepted for projects to improve housing, transportation, public space, technology ("smart cities"), civic engagement and more.
City of Gilroy Bicycle Pedestrian Projects
(Developer Funded, Grant Funded, City Funded, Measure B Funded)

Name: 1st/Kern Ave Apartments
Architectural and Site Review Permit (AS 19-12) (Developer Funded) August 2019
Location: 1st/Kern Ave
Description: Supports minimum parking standards, recommend at a minimum there be visible bicycle parking (inverted “U” bike racks) for the visitors of the frontage buildings along 1st St. near the entrance to the leasing office/manager’s office. Having the same bicycle parking for the residents would also be highly recommended, where unused common space is located.

Name: AS18-27 (#18100043) Vergara Industrial Building (Developer Funded) April 2019
Location: 8885 Forest St.
Description: Bike racks. Bike lockers will trigger based on tenant occupancy loads, during permit process.

Name: 8955 Monterey Rd Apts (Developer Funded) March 2019
Location: 8955 Monterey Rd
Description: Bike racks and bike room for residents. Rear bike/ped access conditioned.

Name: Nissan Dealership (Developer Funded) March 2019
Location: Auto-Mall Parkway
Description: Bike racks and bike room for employees
Name: Sumano’s Bakery (Developer Funded) March 2019
Location: Monterey Rd/10th St
Description: Bike racks and bicycle lockers

Name: The Patio (Developer Funded) Sept 2018
Location: Kelton/SR 152 1st St
Description: Bike repair station, bike racks, and bike lockers

Name: Gateway Park (Developer Funded) Sept 2018
Location: Santa Teresa Blvd/SR 152 1st St
Description: Class I bike path on SR 152 Hecker Pass ends here. 2 decorative bike racks, 4 standard bike racks, and a bike repair station. Access to water here too.

Name: Hampton Inn AS 14-46 (#14120015) (Developer Funded) Aug 2015
Location: Travel Circle/Monterey Rd
Description: Project improvement plans shall accommodate one bike locker for every 30 employees and 30 guest rooms on the site. Thus, the project should provide a total of four bike lockers on site, three for the 100 guest rooms and one for employees. Installation of a minimum 3 ½ foot sidewalk extension along the north side of Monterey Street under the Highway 101 Overpass to join the existing sidewalks. Refresh the existing white reflective paint on the median. Designation of a bike route along South Monterey Street between Circle frontage. Installation of bike route signage on each street light pole on Travel Park Circle.

Name: Hecker Pass Class I Bike/Ped Path (Developer Funded)
Location: Burchell Rd to Santa Teresa Blvd along HWY 152
Description: Class I bike path connecting Hecker Pass Development and along HWY 152 on the south side
Name: Llagas Creek Class I Bike/Ped Path Extension (Measure B Funded)
Location: HWY 101/6th St following Llagas Creek to 1351 Pacheco Pass HWY 152, crossing over HWY 152 to Luchessa Ave
Description: Class I bike path extending the existing Llagas Creek Trail

Name: Lions Creek Class I Bike/Ped Path Extension (Unknown Funding)
Location: Kern/Tatum along Lions Creek to Santa Teresa and Day Rd
Description: Class I bike path extending the existing Lions Creek Trail

Name: Lions Creek Class I Bike/Ped Path Extension (Unknown Funding)
Location: Santa Teresa/Day Rd along Lions Creek to Day Rd/Geri Ln
Description: Class I bike path extending the existing Lions Creek Trail

Name: Santa Teresa Class I Bike/Ped Path (Unknown Funding)
Location: Santa Teresa/Castro Valley Rd along Santa Teresa Blvd to First St
Description: Class I bike path

Name: Monterey Rd Class I Bike/Ped Path (Unknown Funding)
Location: Monterey Rd/Buena Vista going north out of Gilroy along Monterey Rd
Description: Class I bike path
Name: Uvas Creek/Gilroy Gardens Bike/Ped Bridge (Grant Funding & City Funding)
Location: Hecker Pass Development Uvas Creek Class I Trail
Description: Bike/Ped Bridge to connect Uvas Creek Class I trail to Gilroy Gardens

Name: 10th St Bridge (Unknown Funding/Design City Funded) Nov 2019 Provided Letter on Updated Recommendations
Location: 10th St/Uvas Parkway
Description: Bridge for all modes of transportation/incorporating bicycle lanes

Name: Ronan Class I Trail Project (Federal Funding, Santa Clara Water District Funding, City Funding)
Location: East 6th St along the water district storm channel to Leavesley Rd, West Branch Llagas Creek
Description: Class 1 Trail with pedestrian/bike bridge at 6th St

Name: Las Animas Veterans Memorial Park (CDBG Funding)
Location: Las Animas Park
Description: Pathway Rehabilitation

Name: Cohansey Bridge (Unknown Funding)
Location: Cohansey/Nightingale Dr
Description: Bridge for all modes of transportation/incorporating bicycle lanes
Name: Greenfield Dr Development (Developer Funded)
Location: Greenfield Dr
Description: Located behind the development will be a Class I trail connecting from existing path on Riverview Circle to Greenfield Dr

Name: Gilroy Sports Park Uvas Creek Trail (Unknown Funded)
Location: Gilroy Sports Park to Gavilan College
Description: Uvas Creek Trail extension and bridge to Gavilan College