



**Caltrans District 4 Pedestrian Advisory Committee (PAC)  
September 26, 2012, 10:00 AM – 12:00 PM  
Meeting Summary**

The meeting was attended by the following PAC members:

Wendy Alfsen, California Walks  
Rocky Birdsey, Marin Center for Independent Living  
Kenneth Chin, City of San Mateo  
Michelle DeRobertis, Santa Clara Valley Transportation Authority (by phone)  
David Grant, San Francisco resident  
Erick Guerra, Alameda County resident  
Carol Levine, Alameda County resident  
Robert (Bob) Planthold, Chair, San Francisco resident  
Sofia Recalde, Contra Costa County resident  
David Simons, Santa Clara County resident  
Rochelle Wheeler, Alameda County Transportation Commission

Agenda Item #1: Welcome and Introductions

Agenda Item #2: Review and Approval of Summary of November 2011 Meeting

The notes were approved without edits.

Agenda Item #3: Development and Adoption of FY 2012-13 Work Plan

The Work Plan was edited and then adopted by vote. The final version is attached.

Agenda Item #4: Discussion of Response from Caltrans Headquarters Division of Design on PAC Resolution Requesting the Formation of a Multimodal Design Experimentation Oversight Committee and Next Steps

The PAC members learned that the Caltrans Headquarters Division of Design had declined the PAC request to form a multimodal design experimentation oversight committee on the grounds that this was unnecessary because Caltrans already has an internal process for experimentation on the State Highway System (SHS), called the Caltrans Construction Evaluated Program for Experimental Features. The PAC further learned that the Division of Design would be moving

forward with developing a committee for oversight of experimentation and data collection for bikeways on local streets because State Statute had already required Caltrans to work with local agencies to develop bikeway guidance that applied to both the SHS and local streets, which had been interpreted as meaning that the California Highway Design Manual provides such guidance, and because AB 819 requires Caltrans to develop a process for advancing new treatments if found to be sound. While Caltrans has a process in place for experimentation on the SHS, most local agencies lack such a process to apply to their own streets. After hearing this information, the PAC developed a resolution requesting that the Division reconsider their previous request for the oversight committee to have a multimodal scope that applies to both local streets and the SHS. The resolution was passed with 10 ayes and one abstention. It is attached.

#### Agenda Item #5: Results of the National Household Travel Survey California Add-On

This item was tabled until the next meeting due to time constraints.

#### Agenda Item #6: Updates on Policies/Guidance/Issues Previously Presented

Beth Thomas gave an update on the anticipated process for the California Traffic Control Devices Committee to review comments previously submitted on the California Manual on Uniform Traffic Control Devices.

#### Agenda Item #7: Nomination and Election of Chair and Vice Chair

Kenneth Chin was elected Chair and David Grant was elected Vice Chair.

#### Agenda Item #8: Public Comment

No public comments were made.

#### Agenda Item #9: Topics for Next Meeting, Announcements and Information Sharing

Topics suggested for future meetings were the following: current project initiation documents to prioritize for review by the PAC according to pedestrian relevance, the US 101 pedestrian overcrossing near Lucky Drive in Corte Madera (Marin County), collaboration with the District 4 Bicycle Advisory Committee, and State and regional plans for the MAP-21 Transportation Alternatives funding.