

**San Francisco Bay Trail  
Steering Committee Meeting Minutes  
ABAG Metro Center  
February 14, 2008**

**Call to Order**

Meeting was called to order at 1:30 PM.

**Attendance**

Steering Committee

Rick Parmer  
Stana Hearne  
Brian Wiese  
Cathy Woodbury  
Julie Bondurant  
Joe LaClair  
Leo DuBose

Bay Trail Staff

Laura Thompson  
Maureen Gaffney  
Patrycja Bossak  
Lee Huo

Board

Bruce Beyaert

**ACTION Adoption of 02/14/08 agenda and approval of 12/13/07 minutes.**

Revisions to the minutes requested by LaClair and Beyaert:

- The motion for approval of the Moffett Field construction grant was made by Miller, not LaClair
- In announcements, the Marina Bay Brochure was also funded by Signature Properties and Republic Services
- Leo DuBose's name was misspelled on the list of attendees

Hearne moved, DuBose seconded adoption of agenda and approval of minutes as revised. Motion passed.

**Announcements by Chair and Boardmembers**

-Wiese Announced that the East Bay Regional Park District approved the draft Measure AA expenditure plan. The extension of Measure AA will be on the November 2008 ballot. Completion of the Bay Trail between Martinez and Fremont is listed as one project for \$11.2 million. The District will host six regional open houses in April for public discussion about Measure AA.

-LaClair Informed the committee that BCDC, ABAG, the Bay Area Air Quality Management District and the National Estuarine Research Reserve will

host a local government forum on April 16, 2008 about preparing for rising sea levels. The forum will focus on adaptation and mitigation strategies that can be used by local jurisdictions to assess vulnerability to climate change impacts.

- Beyaert Distributed a January 2008 San Francisco *Chronicle* article written by Gail Todd about touring the Bay Trail along Marina Bay in Richmond and suggested following up with the reporter to cover a series of tours along the Bay Trail. Also announced release of TRAC's New Year Report with the goal to complete six miles in 2008.
- Parmer Informed the committee that the East Bay Regional Park District is looking for people interested in serving as caretaker in residence on Brooks Island.

### **Staff Announcements**

- Huo Announced that Bay Trail staff continues to work with Chevron to complete the Bay Trail gap between Point Richmond and Point Molate and Caltrans has agreed to move forward with an Advanced Planning Study for this area. Also mentioned that MTC is currently updating the Regional Bike Plan and staff is working to strengthen the policy language about bicycle and pedestrian access on toll bridges.
- Thompson Informed the Committee that Caltrans announced it will not support the moveable barrier alternative to accommodate bicyclists and pedestrians as well as expanded vehicle access on the Richmond San Rafael Bridge. A Bay Area Toll Authority subcommittee has been formed to continue to work with Caltrans on this issue.

In Bay Trail Board news, Jim McGrath has been appointed by the Regional Water Quality Control Board to the BCDC Commission, Steve McAdam has retired from BCDC, and Joan Cardellino will step down from the Bay Trail Board to focus on Conservancy projects in Southern California. She will be replaced by Moira McEnespy.

### **Proposition 84 - \$3 Million Grant Program Overview**

- Thompson Provided an overview of the \$3 Million Proposition 84 grant program and distributed a summary of awarded projects and applications under consideration. The Committee will consider eight grant requests at this meeting.

### **Coyote Point Park Bay Trail (\$152,000)**

-Bossak Presented the San Mateo County Parks Department grant request and recommended approval of funds in the amount of \$152,000 to improve and construct 1.3 miles of Bay Trail through Coyote Point Park. This grant will supplement a previously awarded Proposition 40 grant in the amount of \$348,000.

**ACTION LaClair moved, Wiese seconded the motion to award a grant in the amount of \$152,000. Unanimous approval.**

### **San Leandro Slough Crossing (\$300,000)**

-Huo Presented the grant request from the City of San Leandro and recommended approval of funds in the amount of \$300,000 to complete construction of a bridge and trail connecting Oyster Bay Regional Shoreline to existing trail along the Metropolitan Golf Course in Oakland.

**ACTION DuBose moved, Bondurant seconded the motion to award a grant in the amount of \$300,000. Unanimous approval.**

### **Oakland Waterfront Trail – Derby Avenue to Lancaster Street (\$300,000)**

-Huo Presented the City of Oakland grant request and recommended approval of a reduced grant award in the amount of \$150,000 to complete 0.10-miles of trail behind the Women’s Museum Board Warehouse along the Oakland Estuary. The Committee discussed the importance of this small but crucial segment and recommended a grant of \$200,000, slightly higher than the staff recommendation.

**ACTION DuBose moved, Woodbury seconded the motion to award a grant in the amount of \$200,000. Unanimous approval.**

### **Oakland Waterfront Trail – Cryer Boathouse Site (\$300,000)**

-Huo Presented the City of Oakland grant request and recommended approval of a reduced grant award in the amount of \$150,000 to complete 0.10-miles of trail at the Cryer Boathouse site adjacent to Union Point Park. The Committee discussed the importance of this small but crucial segment and recommended a grant of \$200,000, slightly higher than the staff recommendation.

**ACTION DuBose moved, LaClair seconded the motion to award a grant in the amount of \$200,000. Unanimous approval.**

### **Shipyard III Bay Trail Construction (\$289,000)**

-Huo Presented the Port of Richmond grant request and recommended approval of a grant award in the amount of \$289,000 to complete construction of 2.4 miles of Bay Trail at the Shipyard III/Rosie the Riveter/World War II Home front National Historical Park.

**ACTION LaClair moved, Hearne seconded the motion to award a grant in the amount of \$289,000. Unanimous approval.**

### **Point Gateway Bay Trail Improvements (\$17,600)**

-Huo Presented the Point Richmond Gateway Foundation grant request and recommended approval of a reduced grant award in the amount of \$8,600 to complete sidewalks and bike lanes at the entrance to Point Richmond. The Committee requested that staff bring this recommendation to the next meeting with more information about:

- how agreements between the Foundation and the City of Richmond are arranged
- how the project links to existing trails, sidewalks and bike lanes in the area
- whether Class II bike lanes or a Class III bike route is more appropriate along West Richmond Avenue
- whether the road surface on West Richmond Avenue is in good enough condition to allow installation of bike lanes
- details about the proposed interpretive signage and artwork

**ACTION Woodbury moved, Bondurant seconded the motion to bring the grant request back to the Committee with answers to these questions. Unanimous approval.**

### **American Canyon Feasibility Study – Kensington Way to Kimberly Park (\$70,000)**

-Gaffney Presented the City of American Canyon grant request and recommended approval of a grant award in the amount of \$70,000 to complete feasibility and engineering analysis for the Bay Trail alignment in Southern American Canyon.

**ACTION Wiese moved, Hearne seconded the motion to award a grant in the amount of \$70,000. Unanimous approval.**

**Regional Bay Trail Sign Installation Plan (\$90,000)**

-Gaffney Presented the proposal from Bay Trail staff for a grant in the amount of \$90,000 to complete a regional sign plan for existing Bay Trail segments.

**ACTION LaClair moved, DuBose seconded the motion to award a grant in the amount of \$90,000. Unanimous approval.**

**Adjournment**

The meeting was adjourned at 3:30 PM.