



**MEETING OF THE CITY OF CONCORD
BICYCLE, PEDESTRIAN AND SAFE ROUTES TO TRANSIT
PLAN ADVISORY COMMITTEE**

**Monday, October 19, 2015
5:30 p.m., Regular Meeting
PERMIT CENTER CONFERENCE ROOM
1950 Parkside Drive, Bldg. D**

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Plan Advisory Committee Members

Laura Hoffmeister, Chair and City Council Representative
Carlyn Obringer, Planning Commission Representative
Mark Sinclair, Parks Recreation and Open Space Committee Representative
Sergio Huerta, At-Large Representative
Clair Linder, At-Large Representative

AGENDA

PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD - NON-AGENDA ITEMS

ADDITIONS/CONTINUANCES/WITHDRAWALS

STAFF REPORTS / DISCUSSION ITEMS

1. Updated Vision Statement (Brief Item)

"The City of Concord envisions an environment that supports walking, bicycling and active living, and enables people of all ages and abilities to safely and comfortably access jobs, schools, recreation, shopping and transit as a part of daily life."

2. Project Evaluation Criteria Presentation (30 Minutes)

3. Project Status Update (Brief Item)

4. Next PAC meetings – Potential cancellation for November 23 or December 28

PUBLIC COMMENTS - AGENDA ITEMS

COMMITTEE MEMBER CONSIDERATIONS/ANNOUNCEMENTS

STAFF ANNOUNCEMENTS

Metropolitan Transportation Commission Public Forum
Thursday, October 22, 4 p.m. to 6 p.m.
Caltrans Auditorium, 111 Grand Ave, Oakland, CA 94612
<http://www.mtc.ca.gov>

The California Transportation Commission and Metropolitan Transportation Commission invite you to a public forum to learn more about the local, regional and state role in funding road projects and maintenance, the impacts and reasons for California's deteriorating transportation system, proposed short-term and long-term funding solutions, and the potential implementation of a road charge based on miles driven to stabilize road repair and maintenance funding.

ADJOURNMENT

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BICYCLE PEDESTRIAN AND SAFE ROUTES TO TRANSIT PLAN ADVISORY COMMITTEE MEMORANDUM

October 19, 2015

TO: Bicycle, Pedestrian, and Safe Routes to Transit Plan
Plan Advisory Committee (PAC)

FROM: Andrew J. Mogensen, AICP, Principal Planner
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SUBJECT: Project Evaluation Criteria

Background

Now that the Bicycle, Pedestrian, and Safe Routes to Transit Plan has completed the public outreach phase and established the Plan's vision and goals, the next step is to establish a recommended strategy for evaluating the individual infrastructure projects which will be identified in the plan, based on their effectiveness in meeting the Plan's vision and goals:

"The City of Concord envisions an environment that supports walking, bicycling and active living, and enables people of all ages and abilities to safely and comfortably access jobs, schools, recreation, shopping and transit as a part of daily life."

- Safety: Prioritize travel safety for all modes of transportation.
- Design: Design active transportation projects that are accessible and comfortable for people of all ages and abilities.
- Network: Identify and implement a complete and convenient active transportation network.
- Programs: Increase awareness and support of walking and bicycling through education, encouragement, and evaluation programs.

The Project Evaluation Criteria is a useful tool that uses a weighted scoring method to logically and objectively prioritize projects in a way that reflects the Plan's established vision and goals. All of the Plan's proposed infrastructure projects will be evaluated against the criteria and then organized into short, mid, and long-term tiers based on the logical breakdown of their scores and the complexities of their implementation. This resulting list of recommended prioritized projects in the plan will then be able to serve as guidelines for future projects.

It should be noted that the prioritization list can be revisited, updated, and adjusted over time to reflect changed conditions in walking and bicycling patterns, land use patterns, implementation constraints and opportunities, and the development of future transportation improvements. Regardless of these changes, the Project Evaluation Criteria can remain a consistent methodology.

Staff recommends the Plan Advisory Committee review the proposed methodology and requests their support for its incorporation into the Plan. Additional details will be provided by staff from Alta Planning and Design during their presentation at the October 19, 2015 PAC meeting, also attached with this memorandum.

Project Evaluation Criteria

Safety	20
Feasibility	20
Community Identified Challenge Area	20
Transit Connection	15
Activity Generator Connection	15
Estimated Demand	<u>10</u>
Total Possible Points	100



City of Concord Bicycle, Pedestrian and Safe Routes to Transit Plan

Plan Advisory Committee

Project Evaluation Criteria



October 19, 2015

Overview

- What are project evaluation criteria?
- Draft project evaluation criteria

What are Project Evaluation Criteria?

- A strategy for evaluating individual infrastructure projects based on their effectiveness of meeting the Plan's vision and goals.
- A quantifiable evaluation process that results in a prioritized project list.
- The resulting prioritized list will inform implementation based on:
 - Available funding opportunities
 - Development of other transportation projects
 - Council direction on CIP lists

The prioritized list is flexible, informed by the above.

Draft Plan Goals

- **Safety:** Prioritize safety
- **Design:** Design projects that are accessible and comfortable for all ages and abilities
- **Network:** Identify and implement a complete and convenient network
- **Programs:** Increase awareness and support through education, encouragement, and evaluation programs

Draft Project Evaluation Criteria

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Draft Project Evaluation Criteria

Criteria	Description	Points
Safety	<i>The project addresses safety concerns identified through reported collisions, based on the most recent five years of data for bicycle or pedestrian related collisions.</i>	20
	Projects are scored on a scaled ranking from zero to twenty with locations with the most collisions receiving the maximum score.	
Feasibility	<i>This evaluation is based on known factors regarding project implementation, required approvals, and estimated public right-of-way.</i>	20
	Projects within the public right-of-way and do not require further study will receive 20 points.	
	Projects that are not likely to require right-of-way but will require further study will receive 10 points.	
	Projects that will require right-of-way and will require study will receive zero points.	

Draft Project Evaluation Criteria

Criteria	Description	Points
Community Identified Challenge Area	<i>The project is at a location identified as challenging through the community workshop, survey, tours, or other comments submitted.</i>	20
	Projects in community identified challenge areas receive 20 points.	
	Projects that are not in community identified challenge areas receive zero points.	
Transit Connection	<i>The project improves or provides a connection to a transit stop or station.</i>	15
	Projects that directly connect to a transit stop or station receive 15 points.	
	Projects that do not connect to a transit stop or station receive zero points.	

Draft Project Evaluation Criteria

Criteria	Description	Points
Activity Generator Connection	<p><i>The project improves or provides a connection to an attractor identified in the Existing Conditions memo (health care facilities, parks, community centers, top employers, shopping centers, parks, and schools).</i></p> <p>Projects that directly connect to activity generators receive 15 points.</p> <p>Projects that do not connect to activity generators receive zero points.</p>	15
Estimated Demand	<p><i>The project is in a location of estimated high demand based on the BPSI Demand Analysis.</i></p> <p>Projects in locations that fall within areas of estimated high demand will be awarded 10 points.</p> <p>Projects in locations without estimated high demand receive zero points.</p>	10

Discussion

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	Projects within the public right-of-way & do not require further study receive 20 points. Projects that are not likely to require right-of-way but will require study receive 10 points. Projects that will require right-of-way and will require study receive zero points.	20
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	Projects in locations that fall within areas of estimated high demand receive 10 points. Projects in locations without estimated high demand receive zero points.	

Next Steps

- Public Draft Plan (Winter 2016)
- Community Workshop (April 2016)

