



## BETTER STREETS PLAN – Community Advisory Committee

### MINUTES

December 3, 2007

1145 Market Street

**CAC Members present:** John Bela, Rene Bihan, Jason Patton (chair), Amy Tanner, Amy Tran, Pi Ra, Roger Rose, Nancy Strahan

**CAC Members absent:** Emily Drennen, Timothy Dunn, Jane Martin, Alexandra Hernandez, Jessie Lorenz

**City Staff present:** Adam Varat, Neil Hrushowy, Andres Power, Lisa Bender (Planning), Sarah Minnick (PUC), Kris Opbroek (DPW), Cristina Olea, Heath Maddox (MTA),

#### 1. Announcements And Committee Matters

- November meeting minutes accepted with attachment of Pi Ra's comments submitted by email on 11/19/2007
- Adam Varat from Planning presented a project management update
  - Rosi Bustamante has decided to step down from the CAC due to time constraints
  - The CAC may need to discuss adding new members

#### 2. Summary of Round 2 Outreach

- Neil Hrushowy presented a summary of the second round of public outreach;
  - Included user groups, stakeholder meetings and a walking tour
  - Strong themes emerged from different groups about priorities for streetscape design
- Committee members had the following comments and questions:
  - Is there going to be a section on community outreach in the plan? *It will be covered along with future institutional review.*
  - Were there any surprises in the group-targeted outreach? *There weren't surprises, but there was a bit of disagreement about the need for parking.*
  - One reason education might be a lower priority is that there has already been a lot of money spent on education. A DPH study found that people break traffic laws because they know they can get away with it in SF. Because there are limited resources for enforcement, infrastructure design becomes even more important.

### 3. Existing City street design process

- Kris Opbroek presented information on the existing process to design streets in San Francisco
- Adam Varat presented information on policy barriers to the delivery of better streets.
- Committee members had the following comments:
  - What is the role of the Board of Supervisors in this process?
  - Who participates in ISCOTT? *Parking and Traffic, Public Works, Police, Fire, Public Health, Municipal Railway, Port, City Planning and the Taxicab Commission*
  - ISCOTT doesn't take formal votes on projects, but recommends them for review to the Board of Supervisors. They also deal with street closures.
  - Where do agencies disagree about design?
  - Where do codes fit in? *In the design phase.*
  - What changes should be made to the current process? *Will be covered by institutional review.*
  - The City should look into a DOT model like San Jose or Los Angeles, because there is a lot of overlap in public works and transportation planning.