

City of Fresno

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Meeting Minutes Active Transportation Advisory Committee

Laura Gromis, Chair
Sean Zweifler, Vice Chair
Paul Marquez, Member
Edna Pedroza, Member
Mohammad Shaikh, Member
Diana Durham, Member
Vacant, Member
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Wednesday, August 27, 2025

5:30 PM

In Person and/or Electronic; Fresno City Hall, Room 2165

Regular Meeting

The Active Transportation Advisory Committee (ATAC) met in regular session in the Conference Room #2165 at Fresno City Hall on the date and time above written.

1. CALL TO ORDER.

Chair Laura Gromis called the meeting to order at 5:30 pm. Board Member Shaikh arrived at 5:38 PM. Board Member Pedroza arrived at 5:56 PM.

Present 6 - Chair Laura Gromis, Board Member Paul Marquez, Board Member Mohammad Shaikh, Vice Chair Sean Zweifler,
Board Member Edna Pedroza, and Board Member Diana
Durham

2. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Discussion included reinstating the Ordinance Task Force to the agenda but Staff advised to include the discussion to Member Reports and Comments.

On motion of Chair Gromis, seconded by Vice Chair Zweifler, the AUGUST AGENDA was APPROVED. The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye: 5 - Chair Gromis, Board Member Marquez, Board Member Shaikh, Vice Chair Zweifler and Board Member Durham

Absent: 1 - Board Member Pedroza

3. APPROVAL OF MINUTES.

3.A. ID 25-1135 Approval of the regular meeting minutes of July 23, 2025.

On motion of Vice Chair Zweifler, seconded by Board Member Marquez, the JULY MEETING MINUTES were APPROVED. The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye: 5 - Chair Gromis, Board Member Marquez, Board Member Shaikh, Vice Chair Zweifler and Board Member Durham

Absent: 1 - Board Member Pedroza

4. UNSCHEDULED COMMUNICATIONS/PUBLIC COMMENT.

Upon call, no member of the public addressed the Committee during unscheduled communication.

5. OTHER BUSINESS.

5.A. ID 25-1140 Hearing to adopt a resolution to establish the Biannual Report Task Force, a subcommittee of the Active Transportation Advisory Committee, and define committee roles, responsibilities, and membership.

Committee discussion included: the resolution adoption process, the length of term for a subcommittee; the intent of the Biannual Report Task Force work; and Board Members interested in serving on the subcommittee.

Chair Gromis appointed Vice Chair Zweifler to the Biannual Report Task Force.

On motion of Chair Gromis, seconded by Board Member Shaikh, that the above Action Item be APPROVED. The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye: 6 - Chair Gromis, Board Member Marquez, Board Member Shaikh, Vice Chair Zweifler, Board Member Pedroza and Board Member Durham

5.B. Hearing to adopt a resolution to establish the Protected Bicycle Parking Task Force, a subcommittee of the Active Transportation Advisory Committee, and define committee roles, responsibilities, and membership.

Committee discussion included: the intent of the Protected Bicycle Parking Task Force work, and Board Members interested in serving on the subcommittee.

Chair Gromis appointed Vice Chair Zweifler and Board Member Shaikh to the Protected Bicycle Parking Task Force.

On motion of Vice Chair Zweifler, seconded by Board Member Marquez, that the above Action Item be APPROVED. The motion carried by the following vote:

- Aye: 6 Chair Gromis, Board Member Marquez, Board Member Shaikh, Vice Chair Zweifler, Board Member Pedroza and Board Member Durham
- **5.C.** Hearing to adopt a resolution to establish the World Day of Remembrance 2025 Task Force, a subcommittee of the Active Transportation Advisory Committee, and define committee roles, responsibilities, and membership

Committee discussion included: clarification needed from city clerk on including community members to ad hoc committees, the intent of the World Day of Remembrance Task Force work; and Board Members interested in serving on the subcommittee.

Chair Gromis appointed Board Member Shaikh, Board Member Durham, and Board Member Marquez to the World Day of Remembrance 2025 Task Force.

On motion of Chair Gromis, seconded by Vice Chair Zweifler, that the above Action Item be APPROVED. The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye: 6 - Chair Gromis, Board Member Marquez, Board Member Shaikh, Vice Chair Zweifler, Board Member Pedroza and Board Member Durham

6. TASK FORCE REPORTS.

7. MEMBER REPORTS AND COMMENTS.

DISTRICT 1 - VICE CHAIR ZWEIFLER REPORTS AND COMMENTS: reported on almost getting hit on Class IV bike lanes and being sympathetic for those who dislike them; shared displeasure with high-speed rail infrastructure on the Belmont overcrossing with bike lanes and Tulare underpass' narrow bike lanes and multiple drains along them; commented on the vehicular murder of a women on First and Olive; reported on the Light Up the Night program with Fresno County Bicycle Coalition (FCBC).

DISTRICT 2 - CHAIR GROMIS REPORTS AND COMMENTS: reported on loving the Class IV bike lanes; shared losing funding for bicycle education in collaboration with the County Health Department; organized a bike rodeo at King Elementary and recognized a great need for bicycle education in schools; reported on the Ordinance Task Force and requested staff for an update.

Andreina Aguilar with Public Works provided an update on the current process of the recommended ordinances and inquired if ATAC would want to create an ad hoc committee to review pedestrian regulations in the Fresno Municipal Code.

Committee discussion continued to include: the Ordinance Task Force's comprehensive work in reviewing the Municipal Code; providing an additional recommendation to establish a sidewalk speed limit; and of a scheduled meeting with council members to discuss the ordinances' recommendations.

DISTRICT 3 - VACANT

DISTRICT 4 - VACANT

DISTRICT 5 - VACANT

DISTRICT 6 - BOARD MEMBER DURHAM REPORTS AND COMMENTS: reported on riding to and from Woodward Park and how dicey it is to use the intersections since motorists ignore the no right on red signs; mentioned seeing police enforcement which helped get drivers' attention.

DISTRICT 7 - BOARD MEMBER PEDROZA REPORTS AND COMMENTS: reported on the FCBC Sunday bike ride in partnership with the Fresno Metro Black Chamber of Commerce; shared about Biz-Werx's e-bike lending program.

MAYORAL ELECT - BOARD MEMBER MARQUEZ REPORTS AND COMMENTS: shared how they are observing the interconnectivity of active transportation since coming back from Europe; commented on high-speed rail infrastructure, funding, and project timelines concerns.

MAYORAL ELECT - BOARD MEMBER SHAIKH REPORTS AND COMMENTS: expressed similar concerns about the Friant and Woodward Park intersections and how it should be a pedestrian-bicyclist corridor; provided an update on organizing an event at a local school in recognition of National Walk and Roll to School Day on October 8th; reported on the Pedestrian vs Auto Report from the Trauma Center.

8. STAFF REPORTS.

8.A. ID 25-1177 Presenting on the ATP and Vision Zero Action Plan Updates (Public Works Department)

Andreina Aguilar, with Department of Public Works, provided an update on the ATP and Vision Zero Action Plans. With the ATP Plan, staff and consultants are working with the PARCS Department to put together a traffic garden and bike rodeo event in Pinedale for their after-school program in September.

ATP Plan is scheduled to go to City Council by the end of the year so the initial draft will be presented to the committee and the public for review by fall.

Vision Zero Plan is scheduled to go to City Council by early next year so the initial draft will be presented to the committee and the public for review by winter.

8.B. ID 25-1138 Presenting on August's Traffic Collision Report (Police Department)

Staff from Department of Public Works provided collision numbers from the Fresno Police Department.

Committee discussion included: e-bike fatal numbers reported and if the distinction had been shared in previous reports.

8.C. ID 25-1145 Presenting on (1) Clinton Widening - Marks to Valentine 90% Plans (2)
 Ashlan Widening - Polk to Cornelia (3) First Street Class IV & Resurfacing
 - Olive to Tulare (4) July's Capital Projects Summary (Public Works and Capital Projects Departments)

Harmanjit Dhaliwal, Assistant Director of Public Works, provided updates.

- 1) CLINTON WIDENING MARKS TO VALENTINE 90% PLANS Discussion included: Clinton widening and installing Class II bike facilities throughout the stretch when possible; complete streets policy implementation; and the restriping of streets.
- 2) AHLAN WIDENING POLK TO CORNELIA

 Discussion included: eastbound plans; incorporation of Class III bike lanes
 on Ashlan; committees' recommendation to complete Class II bike lanes to
 Cornelia; community outreach process on projects; and how to access Build
 Fresno on https://www.fresno.gov/capitalprojects/projects/ to review active
 Capital Projects.
- 3) FIRST STREET CLASS IV & RESURFACING OLIVE TO TULARE Discussion included: constructing protected Class IV bike lanes; bike boxes; bus stops with Class IV bike lanes; and a recommendation for the installation of bollards.
- 4) JULY'S CAPITAL PROJECTS SUMMARY Discussion included: pave now pay later initiative.

9. ADJOURNMENT.

On motion of Vice Chair Zweifler, seconded by Board Member Shaikh, the meeting was adjourned at 7:24 pm. The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye: 6 - Chair Gromis, Board Member Marquez, Board Member Shaikh, Vice Chair Zweifler, Board Member Pedroza and Board Member Durham

The above minutes were approved by unanimous vote of the Active Transportation Advisory Committee during the September 24, 2025, regular meeting with Board Member Pedroza absent.