



**Santa Cruz County Regional  
Transportation Commission's**

**BICYCLE ADVISORY COMMITTEE**

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**MEETING  
MINUTES**

**Monday, April 13, 2026  
5:30 pm to 8:00 pm**

This meeting was held in person at the RTC Offices, 1101 Pacific Ave #250, Santa Cruz, CA 95060  
Remote participation was via Zoom and followed AB 2449 requirements.

1. Call to Order: Chair Gina Cole called the meeting to order at 5:33 pm.
2. Introductions

**Members Present, in Person:**

Corrina McFarlane, District 1 (Alt.)  
Jack Brown, District 2  
Sally Arnold, District 3  
Anna Kammer, District 4  
Rick Hyman, District 5  
Paula Bradley, City of Capitola  
Matt Farrell, City of Santa Cruz  
Gina Cole, City of Watsonville (Chair)  
Matt Miller, Ecology Action (Vice Chair)  
Alexander Yasbek, CTSC

**Members Remote, Voting under Just  
Cause or Emergency:**

**Staff:**

Tommy Travers, Transportation Planner  
Max Friedman, Transportation Planner  
Marshall Ballard, Supervising Transportation  
Planner  
Jaeden Gales – Transportation Planner

**Members Remote, Not Voting:**

Steven Jonsson, District 4 (Alt.)  
Theresia Rogerson, Dist. 5 (Alt.)  
Kelly Curlett, CTSC (Alt.)

**Unexcused Absences:**

**Excused Absences:**

Alex Santiago, District 3 (Alt.)  
Christopher O'Connell, City of Capitola (Alt.)  
Jae Riddle, City of Santa Cruz (Alt.)  
Catherine Weber, City of Watsonville (Alt.)  
Jennifer Villegas Moreno, Ecology Action  
(Alt.)

**Vacancies:**

District 1 - Primary  
District 2 - Alternate  
City of Scotts Valley – Primary and Alternate

**Guests:**

Nadene Thorne, Member of the public

3. Considered any AB 2449 requests by voting members to participate remotely:  
  
None.
4. Staff announcements  
  
None.

5. Oral communications

Corrina McFarlane encouraged the committee to review an article titled *Car Culture is Costing Our Kids*. Alexander Yasbek advocated for more communication and collaboration with other bike focused advocacy groups in Santa Cruz County and suggested forming a subcommittee to focus on this task. Gina Cole announced monthly Women's Rides in Watsonville.

6. Additions or deletions to consent and regular agendas:  
Replacement page for item 7 posted online

### **CONSENT AGENDA**

7. Approve draft minutes of the February 9, 2026, Bicycle Advisory Committee Meeting
8. Receive Summary of Hazard Reports
9. Recommend to the Regional Transportation Commission approval of the Ecology Action's TDA request for the Bike Encouragement and Walk and Roll to School (Bike to Work) Program

**Item 9 was pulled from the consent agenda.** The committee recommended incorporating existing e-bike education programs for students into the Walk and Roll to School Program. A committee member also suggested that Ecology Action incorporate, or the RTC pursue separately, installing safe places to lock bicycles at schools as part of the program.

**A motion was made (Kammer/Farrell) to approve the consent agenda, excluding item 9. The motion passed unanimously with McFarlane, Brown, Arnold, Kammer, Hyman, Bradley, Farrell, Cole, Miller, and Yasbek voting in favor.**

**For Item 9, a motion was made (Hyman/Arnold) to recommend approval of Ecology Action's TDA request for the Bike Encouragement and Walk and Roll to School (Bike to Work) Program. The motion passed unanimously with McFarlane, Brown, Arnold, Kammer, Hyman, Bradley, Farrell, Cole, Miller, and Yasbek voting in favor.**

### **REGULAR AGENDA**

10. Receive information and Recommend to the Regional Transportation Commission approval of HSA's TDA request for the Vision Zero Program – Kelly Curlett, County of Santa Cruz

Kelly Curlett provided a presentation on HSA's Vision Zero Program as part of their request for TDA funds. The Committee received information on bicycle and pedestrian crashes and the work that is being done throughout the County as part of the Vision Zero program to prevent these crashes. A Committee Member asked for clarity in where the funds would be going in the work plan. Curlett explained that the funds would cover the entirety of the work plan in conjunction with other funding sources, and clarified that Office of Traffic Safety grants fund the car safety seat program. A committee member flagged 17th Ave and Rodriguez St as a dangerous intersection that should be prioritized when developing Vision Zero solutions. A committee member flagged the addition of a Vision Zero media and public education campaign and asked what that would entail. The planning for this campaign is still in the works. Committee members also discussed public perception of traffic enforcement cameras.

12. Receive information and provide input on RTC's Active Transportation Program (ATP) Cycle 8 application – Jaeden Gales, RTC

Jaeden Gales provided a presentation on RTC's Active Transportation Program (ATP) Cycle 8 application, circulated a survey for committee members to provide their feedback, and explained that staff is undertaking public and stakeholder outreach prior to applying. The conversation focused on targeting e-bike safety and education with a potential ATP application. Committee members suggested better interagency coordination when working on active transportation programs as to not duplicate efforts, specifically when it comes to e-bike education. The committee also discussed that active transportation efforts should be aimed at colleges in addition to high schools. A committee member suggested creating a best practices curriculum to encouraging adoption of e-bikes in disadvantaged communities.

13. Nominate and vote for a Chair and Vice Chair to serve on the Bicycle Advisory Committee – Committee members

**A motion was made to nominate Gina Cole to serve as Chair of the Bicycle Advisory Committee (Bradley/Arnold). The motion passed unanimously with McFarlane, Brown, Arnold, Kammer, Hyman, Bradley, Farrell, Cole, Miller, and Yasbek voting in favor.**

**A second motion was made to nominate Matt Miller to serve as Vice Chair of the Bicycle Advisory Committee (Farrell/Brown). The motion**

**passed unanimously with McFarlane, Brown, Arnold, Kammer, Hyman, Bradley, Farrell, Cole, Miller, and Yasbek voting in favor.**

16. Updates related to committee functions – Committee members (oral updates)

The ad hoc subcommittee on safety for pedestrians and cyclists in construction zones provided an update on their work. They are creating a pamphlet and educational video with safety information for members of the public and developers to better understand safety standards and best practices in construction zones.

17. Adjourn

The meeting adjourned at 8:07 p.m.

**NEXT MEETING:** The next Bicycle Committee meeting is a special meeting scheduled for May 11, 2026, from 5:30pm to 8:00pm at the RTC offices. Members of the public and non-voting committee alternates may join remotely.

Minutes respectfully prepared and submitted by:  
Max Friedman, Transportation Planner