

Bicycle Advisory Board Meeting Minutes

February 19, 2008

Attendees

Board: Bob Lutz, Kurt Niven, Sam Campogno, John Speare, Brad Bleck, Bill Bender, Kim Pray

Guests: Bob Turner, Loren Dudley, Jim Houten, Chris Hiderk, Beth Mort

Introductions were made.

Meeting Minutes for January were approved.

Bike to Work Event (BTW)

Brad gave an update. Planning is going well. Numerous sponsors have been lined up for product contributions, including a bike from REI. The committee is still waiting to hear back from Group Health on sponsorship funds. A Bloomsday Booth will be staffed with Bike-to-Work Committee people and BAB people. Bike maps will be handed out.

Banners are needed. Possibly some on street poles. Bob asked Marlene Feist for City support for banners. Signage on inside and outside of buses was an idea. BAB would like to be a sponsor of BTW and SpokeFest. BAW is the fiscal agency for BTW. The date is the week of May 12 – 16.

SpokeFest

There is a meeting on February 20 to incorporate as a non-profit business entity.

Meetings held with Round-and-Round Productions on route planning and with the Police regarding road closures. May have a youth orchestra play at the finish on Post St. at City Hall. The event date is September 7.

Master Bike Plan (MBP)

A meeting was held Feb. 15 where dates were discussed for Neighborhood Open Houses the last week in April. A Draft Map is ready. The next meeting will be held in March. Bob L. distributed a Bicycle Facilities Information Sheet whose information should be included in the Open Houses. We want our Bicycle Facilities language to match that used by the State and the Nation. The Class designation is not so important so we'll include it as a footnote.

Bob L. distributed a power point presentation to use in talking to the neighborhoods. Brad suggested using local photos.

Kim offered to assist with the text of the MBP. She'll send an e-mail to the working group.

Kim said the End of Trip Facility Survey presentation may occur in April.

Conversations

Kurt talked to Candace Mumm on Five Mile Road redevelopment between Cascade Way and Strong Rd. which is designated as a bike lane on the Comp Plan. She said some developers on that stretch of road were not required to widen the road due to the City's mis-reading of the Comp Plan Map. This has resulted in alternating sections of the road being wide enough to support a bike lane and too narrow to do so. The Five Mile Prairie Neighborhood supports the striping of the wide sections of road now even though the complete route is not possible. The City is evaluating this situation. Bob L. will request that the BAB be consulted on this decision. It was discussed that this issue points out the need for BAB to be involved early-on in these type of matters.

Other

The Community Assembly voted down the Prosser petition.

Bob L. asked the Board to send him ideas for a Pilot Project in March to present to the City Council. They will need to assign a budget number to it.

As part of the reconstruction of Hatch Road, the idea of applying for a grant to gain Right-of-Way for a bike facility from 44th to Perry to connect to the County bike lane was brought up. The Neighborhood is opposed to converting the wide shoulder to a bike lane due to it's shared use with walkers/joggers. The City Bond project will stop at 54th. BAB supports applying for the grant to do the whole project at once versus doing it in two stages.

John asked that the Board send him the dates of the Neighborhood Meetings we plan to attend so he can list them on the website.

Chris Marr, head of the Senate Transportation Committee, suggested to Bob L. to submit transportation funding requests in April.

A Rails-to-Trails 2010 Initiative Leadership Committee meeting is tonight. The group also has an Outreach Committee and a Transportation Committee.

Loren and Sam will attend the National Bike Summit in Washington D.C. March 4-7.