

Bicycle Advisory Board Meeting Minutes

October 16, 2007

Attendees

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

Guests: Bob Turner, Ken Pelton, Loren Dudley, Amy Cowlin, Barb Chamberlain

Meeting Minutes for September were approved.

Bike Boulevards

Possibilities are: Post St. to parallel Wall St. and Hatch to parallel S.E. Blvd. Bob T. was directed by his boss to design a project and get cost estimates. Ken said the Planning Dept. has concerns about moving too quickly without public input. Bob T. is using the Berkely Model for his design. Bob L. will tell the mayor the BAB recommends the process slow down to do it right.

SpokeFest Ride

Bill is working with Dale Larson of the City to identify a date. Need to select a course and set up a non-profit organization to handle finances. Bike the Bridges is cancelled for next year, and the Spokane Bicycle Club will support our event. Loren suggested contacting Group Health for sponsorship. The ride will start and end in Riverfront Park. A bike Expo could also be held in conjunction with the ride. July or August are preferable. Bob T. recommends we contact the Police Dept. since they must provide traffic control. Bill asked for volunteers to help plan the event.

Clif Bar 2-Mile Challenge

Promoting alternative transportation for 90% of trips less than two miles. Tour bus to be at Gonzaga Oct. 24 to promote it.

Amy

Told the Board why she is interested in the BAB. Junior at Rogers H.S. Was referred by Chase Youth Commission. Term would be for this school year. Bob T. said some Boards have corresponding members and maybe that is a role she could take.

Southeast Blvd. Bike Lane Opening

2:00 PM Oct. 17 is official opening. Oct. 21 at 2:00 PM is public opening. John will contact Great Harvest.

Master Bike Plan

There will be a meeting Fri. Oct. 19 to overlay the Street Bond Projects with the Bike Route Map. Cindy worked on a Statement for the Master Bike Plan (MBP). Eve Nelson of SRTC is working on a Bike Route Map and can coordinate her work with the MBP.

The next meeting will be Nov. 2 in the Council Briefing Room at 9:00 am. Ken sees the MBP becoming part of the Comp Plan but as a separate section. Ken has an intern helping him. Bob L. and John want an education piece as part of the MBP to target cyclists, motorists, students, SpokeFest. Sam to present educational ideas at next meeting. Portland may have an education component we can use as a reference.

Bike to Work Event

Barb wants to organize this. Discussed what others have done. Goal is to get more people riding, to ride more, and encourage employers to support it. Provide give-aways. Promote month of May with focus on one week. Get downtown businesses to support. Decided to focus on the City rather than County-wide.