

Spokane BAB  
Minutes 11.06

In attendance: Scott Roy, John Speare, Jerry O'Neal, Bob Lutz, Loren XXX, Bob Turner

- Meeting minutes were approved
- John discussed web site, and thanks to Bob T. for assisting in getting support from city IT
- John discussed his NS pursuit of commuters—able to follow 6 cyclists, however numbers low d/t weather..will resume stalking in the spring/summer
- Bob T. discussed upcoming Bond projects in light of discussion of how aggressively to pursue opportunities for lines/signs on these reconstruction projects. SE Blvd. N of 17<sup>th</sup> Ave. on the blocks, and he pointed out to the CSAC that this is designated for bike lanes. There is no funding, nor will funding be made available, for this component, although amount \$50k is not much in light of total cost of project.
- Bob T. attended a local community meeting at which Kim presented. Very positive feedback, and we need to decide how best to interface with this community/neighborhood organization (do we attend their meetings, invite them to ours, send out newsletter/minutes, etc.)
- John discussed his presentation to City Council, and his pre-presentation conversation with Steve Franks (Planning Dept.). Many of our recommendations were accepted for consideration, however, most significantly, the need for writing a Bike Plan for the Comp Plan wasn't included in the recommendations. This will be pursued further by presenting to City Council and Bob L. will contact Mary Verner (previous attempts have been unsuccessful in scheduling a meeting at time of meeting, however it is now scheduled for early December).
- Further discussion about continued challenge that always presents itself—no funds for any of our envisioned plans. Need to pursue possibilities of a grant writer to assist in finding monies. Are we eligible to pursue such a course? Scott pointed out that as we don't have a 5013C status, we would need to work thru a "fiscal agent" for funding opportunities. Bob T. mentioned that John Pilcher (sp?), who works for the city's Dept. of Economic Dvpt., may be a good contact. He will arrange a meeting for Bob L.
- Discussion occurred about cycle advocacy, to include policy issues as well as promotion. Jerry will spearhead efforts at putting together an event (is spring/summer 2007 feasible?).
- Action items:
  - John will be working on web site, information to follow; will be pursuing additional conversations with Planning Dept. and f/u with City Council to advocate for Bike Plan amendment
  - Jerry will continue to look at obtaining economic data and work on outlining 2007 bike event
  - Bob L. will contact Mary Verner, schedule meeting with Dept of Economic Dvpt, seek to identify possible funding for SE Blvd. Project
  - Bob T. will get facilities language to John