

Bicycle Advisory Board Meeting Minutes

December 15, 2009

Attendees

Board: Bob Lutz, Sam Campogno, Barb Chamberlain, John Speare, Kurt Niven, Brad Bleck, Bill Hanson, Dan DeRuyter

Guests: Grant Wencel

October meeting minutes were approved.

Retreat

The BAB Retreat has been scheduled for Friday, January 22 from 3:30 – 7:30 PM. The meeting will be held in the WSU Academic Center Board Room #501 on the Fifth Floor on the Riverpoint Campus. Strategic Planning for the Board will be the main focus.

Bike-Ped Update

Grant handed out a list of survey questions for the League of American Bicyclists Bicycle Friendly Communities Program and asked for help in answering them.

Grant and Dan attended a meeting on proposed Assembly Street revisions near Joe Albi Stadium. Bike lanes are shown on the Master Bike Plan. One more community meeting will be held in mid-January to present the replacement of on-street parking with bike lanes. It is desired to improve the intersection of Assembly and Wellesley but there is no money available for the \$50,000 - \$70,000 cost.

Grant has met twice with a new grass-roots Complete Streets group. Their next meeting is on January 13 at the new Central YMCA on Monroe. Grant said the BAB may be interested in joining this group. Barb will draft a letter for BAB supporting Complete Streets. She said Cascade Bicycle Club has an Education Program that we might use. This can be discussed more at the retreat as Bob would like SpokeFest to have an Education piece also.

Councilman Rush asked Grant for a list of bond projects in 2010 and 2011 with bike facilities and the costs to include them. Grant said about 75% do so. This may be for budgeting purposes.

Upper Five Mile Road will be striped for bike lanes in the Spring after the final layer of asphalt is installed. There will be no sharrows on the downhill side since experimental status was not applied for by the City.

The City has applied for a bicycling wayfinding grant.

The funding for Phase 3 of the Fish Lake Trail is currently before Congress. This includes expensive railroad crossings.

A road improvement project is planned for Riverton to include bike lanes. Another bike lane project is planned for Addison from Francis to Colton. Funding of \$89K is needed to remove the street parking.

Other

Bob received an offer from the owner of David's Pizza to help clean out the tire room at the City Ramp for bicycle parking. The property manager is not moving on it though so Bob will follow up. The Building Owner is supportive of the bicycle parking use.

Kurt described a proposed Five Mile Prairie Loop Trail that has received planning funding from the National Park Service.

Kurt has been assisting the Five Mile Neighborhood Council with proposed revisions to the master Bike Plan on the Prairie. The main focus of this effort is to add bike facilities to connect the neighborhoods with the Park and the School. These changes will be presented to the Neighborhood Action Committee in January.

The next BAB meeting will occur on January 19, before the Retreat.