

## **Salt Lake County Bicycle Advisory Committee -**

### **October 12, 2017 meeting**

Present: Aaron Searle, Betsy Byrnes, AJ Martine, Ian Scharine, Adan Carillo, Kaleb Holt, Reed Topham, Marcus Kaller, Tom Jackson

Absent (excused): David Ward, Brady Wheeler, Peggy Mair, Martin Gregory

#### 5:35pm Public input

Helen Peters said she invited a member from the Executive Committee from the Mayor's Office discussed to facilitate the 2018 Goals & Objectives for the committee. She also invited Beth Mitchell to come, who she shared the mini summit goals and committee bylaws with.

Customer relations management and electronic 311. Megan Hilyard submitted a budget request to the county council this month for a facilitator for roadway and cycling issues.

John Miller, from County Engineering, reported that the chip seal is scheduled for Emigration Canyon in 2018.

Municipalities have until the end of the week to apply for CATNIP grants. Helen Peters sent invitations to planners and engineers to submit applications.

Helen Peters reminded the committee to post meetings, at least 24 hours in advance, on the Utah Public Notice web site. She would contact the county clerk's office to arrange this. This is to comply with the Utah Public Meetings Act.

The Utah Pedestrian Summit will be on November 30, at the Viridian Event Center in West Jordan. This summit will look into improving pedestrian and bike experiences. Tickets are \$10 to attend.

Helen concluded that David Ward is working with Heather on finalizing the budget. She will have a report at the next meeting.

Dave Iltis asked about the Redwood Road Bike Study. Helen Peters answered that the preferred route would be 1300 West. A final report will be made in a few weeks. Helen does not think there will be any public comment, but she said she will check and see.

Ken Richley said there will be a ribbon cutting ceremony and bike ride for Parleys Trail, at Tanner Park on Oct. 17. Construction should wrap up by then.

Also, the US Forest Service will work on the BTS, with new trail construction.

5:41pm- Holladay Knudsen Park - Get fdbk

AJ Martine invited Holly Smith and Paul Allred from Holladay City to talk about several projects. The first is Knudsen Park, a new 6.5 acre park off of Holladay Boulevard. The area was marked for development, but residents wanted to preserve the space. The city purchased the property. Two years ago, the county help with the funding. The park will have new trails and a paved thoroughway the will run under I-125. It has a strong natural amenity resource, and the history of the site is important. The city recognized the park as an important bike hub, with connections to Wasatch Drive and Big Cottonwood Canyon. The park will also have a repair station among its amenities. The second project involves realigning the the intersection of Holladay Boulevard and Big Cottonwood Road. The intersection will swerve up and the turn lane will be fixed for realignment and traffic signal improvement. The project will kickoff next April.

This fall, the first phase involved removing selected trees and undesired growth before construction begins, and improvements of the spring bank, which must be done prior to April runoff. In the springtime, activities will intensify in construction, which will impact the normal flow of bike traffic. Betsy Byrnes asked if there would be both soft and paved trails, which the answer was paved, with a pedestrian bridge. AJ martine aske if different alternative routes were considered. Once construction begins, no bikes will be allowed to traverse through the area. The Holladay city council are concerned with bikes mixing with cars. Paul Allred said the city made improvements, such as signage and bike routing. Cyclists heading north will still use the one-way bypass road by the Cottonwood Corporate Center. Meanwhile, cyclists heading south will be on detour route, heading east on 6200 South, then south on 2300 East to Fort Union Boulevard. Construction will begin on the west side and continue eastward, thus completing the trails. Wilf Sommerkorn asked where the Big Cottonwood Trail connects with the park. Holly Smith wanted the committee's help in desiminating the detour information to its mailing list. Signage on-site will be put out for cyclists. The web site for the project is knudsenpark.com. The budget for the park is \$2.7 million, while the intersection is \$1.5 million. Phil Sarnoff suggested bike counters at the intersection, and AJ Martine suggested the county can fund the counters. Helen said the county received funding for counters by the Wasatch Front Regional Council, and will be available in October 2018. She also said she would recommend that Hollday should get a counter, when it is time to decide placement. The main factor is can they be integrated easily for data collection. A tentative master plan from the Holladay city council is forthcoming, with public discussions coiming in the next two months on the park.

Dave Ittis said there is an editorial on transforming Salt Lake City's transportation plan that pertains to bicyclists and pedestrians. The editorial is on the Cycling Utah's web

site.

#### 6:12pm- Business Meeting

National Bike Summit - Aaron Searle said he sent out an e-mail to committee members to see who would be interested in going to the summit. Both Adan Carillo and Tom Jackson expressed interested in going there next year. Marcus Kaller expressed interest in attending the National Pro Walk/ Pro Bike event in New Orleans next year. Phil Sarnoff said he would not attend it. Aaron Searle said registration may begin in mid-October.

6:17pm- ATIP projects priorities - Aaron Searle said the committee should come up with a list of priorities to plan so that they can approach the cities with creating active transportation plans. Helen brought maps for the committee members to look. Ian Scharine said he's been thinking about how the committee can put pressure on the cities to adapt, suggesting areas of new development. Betsy Byrnes asked if there were routes that span several communities that could be treated as a spine. Aaron Searle said the east-west corridors should be deemed important. Dave Ittis said the main problem is UDOT, which maintains many of the east-west routes in the county. He also suggested an invitation should be sent to someone from UDOT for ATIP. The question broached was how do we get more boots on the ground for the cities to adopt plans. Helen said best way is to contact elected officials to inform them about funds available to them to implement plans, like TIGER and Catnip grants, and resources on route planning and engineering. Marcus Kaller added talking to candidates for public official about active transportation and educating them about the county resources.

Dave Ittis said the invitation to Holladay city officials was a good idea, and they should continue to invite others from the cities to come and talk about active transportation. Betsy Byrnes said developing relationships with city planners and engineers would go a long way. Aaron Searle said the lingering question is, as an advisory to the county, how can SLCBAC as steer the county on what needs to be done. Helen Peters said its the city's decision to plan, and when she goes to talk to officials, she is invited and must be cordial with them. Adan Carillo said maintenance of these routes is key and cities do not maintained bike infrastructure very well on a regular basis. Kaleb Holt said we should emphasize one main east-west bike route as top priority as a time and invite the cities that the route traverses and come up with a plan to make it happen.

Helen Peters said there should be a partner together at community level. Ian Scharine said we should identify the east-west corridors based on ATIP studies. Kaleb Holt asked who do we engage and how. Adan Carillo said to meet the people, talk to them and then narrow that field down. In addition, he said we should plan on it just as the cities are planning on it. Kaleb Holt to said not to stripe all streets, but start with one

route first. Aaron Searle suggested we select five east-west corridors and present them to Helen, so she can engage with the cities in making infrastructure. Helen Peters said there is the Council of Governments, where city mayors in the county get together and discuss issues six times a year. The Office of Regional Development has a hand in this council. Helen Peters said she will add an item to the agenda for their next meeting. Dave Ittis said there were talks 2-3 years ago of county quarterly meetings of engineers, but that didn't go anywhere. He thought the idea of a few cities partnering on one corridor might be more effective. Betsy Byrnes asked if we should have a work session next month. Aaron Searle agreed.

Aaron Searle asked if the 311 system will be implemented. Helen Peters said it will be phased, with some part of it will be operational next year. Aaron Searle the county doesn't have any data to present to the cities. Dave Ittis said UDOT has bought the Strava database. Aaron Searle said this data would be critical in cajoling cities to make bike infrastructure, and the 311 would be an excellent tool. Helen Peters said this would be great to encourage regional traveling as well as local travel.

7:11pm- Minutes

Aaron Searle motioned to approve the minutes, and Adan Carillo seconded it. The motion was passed.

7:12pm- Budget

With David Ward absent, it would be hard to discuss the budget. Aaron Searle suggested allocate budget for anticipated requests.

7:14pm- Cycling Utah Web Advertising

The committee talked to Dave Ittis about web advertising on Cycling Utah's web site. Adan Carillo asked how many hits the banner for the committee get. Aaron asked about the metrics. Dave Ittis said the web site get 700,000 visits, and it connects cycle community with resources and articles. It also is a way for having the county out in bike community.

7:18pm- Meeting Adjourned