Salt Lake County Bicycle Advisory Committee

Meeting Minutes for July 13, 2016

Attending: B. Byrne, K. Sturgeon, AJ Martine, A. Searle, M. Kaller, B. Wheeler, I. Scharine, K. Herzberg, T. Jackson (alt.), M. Gregory

Absent: R. Topham, P. Mair, K. Tohinaka (all excused)

5:30 - Meeting begins: Introductions, public comments.

P. Sarnoff announced the kickoff of Bike Utah's public school program and the call for school participation. The program is directed at children and includes a 5 hour program in education and bicycle safety. He also announced that the Health and Economic Study for Bicycling in Salt Lake County has received full funding.

M. Kaller attended the Midvale planning meeting and reported on some of the announcements and feedback. One plan discussed a way to allow pedestrian and bicycle access over or under I-15.

Ken Jennings (County Parks) announced the construction of pathways from Tanner Park to Sugarhouse Park that will facilitate bicycles and pedestrians. The pathways will include a tunnel under the 215 belt route ramp.

D. Iltis discussed the Redwood Road modifications that have been of concern to cyclists. He also followed up on the inquiry concerning a chip seal standard to be established throughout the county and the lack of response from different organizations. The Mountain Accord Group finished their planning process for the bill that they will present to the state legislature next year. Although they did not notify stakeholders of the finished draft to the stakeholders, the bill has apparently been completed and will be finalized before the legislature meets in February.

5:43 - County updates: M. Hillyard announced the closure of the Bicycle Ambassadors Program RAFP process and the selection of potential candidates. The committee asked about the bike racks and availability for needed uses. The report was that of the remaining racks, none seemed to be allocated to other uses at the time.

T. Jensen gave updates on ATIP planning: The establishment of way-finding standards is still in the development stages and efforts to involve all the cities within the counties is the primary focus. Signage, coloring, symbolism and language are all factors in determining the final protocol of route identification.

Business Meeting

6:05 - List of Priorities discussion: A. Searle and AJ Martine discussed the results of the internal SLCBAC survey and the indications and possible strategies to fulfill goals that rated highest. AJ pointed out that it was the committee's responsibility to advise the Mayor's office of these concerns and to see that it was addressed by a division of the County or City government. A recurring conclusion that would affect the outcome of many objectives would be for the County to appoint a permanent full time employee to oversee Active Transportation planning, implementation and response to public needs. Public education systems (K-12) were also among the highest chosen as goals for bicycle education and public outreach.
Accountability is the final objective that the committee will hold the County and other organizations responsible for completion of goals.

Assignments:


6:44– B. Wheeler proposed that UTA be asked to verify their plans for the Tiger Grant and what level of Active Transportation will be involved. The committee agreed and Jen McGrath will be asked to return and discuss results of the application.

6:50– Meeting minutes approval: B. Wheeler motioned to approve the June minutes, A. Searle seconded the motion and it was passed unanimously.

Budget update: There is approximately $4400 left in the funding and proposals for expenditure were discussed. Investment in a Bike/Ped plan for a willing community was suggested.

New business: AJ suggested participating in the Moonlight Ride to Antelope Island and a future meeting at his place.

7pm– Meeting adjourned.