Salt Lake County Bicycle Advisory Committee

Meeting Minutes for December 16, 2016


Absent: K. Sturgeon, M. Gregory, R. Topham, K. Herzberg

5:35- Meeting begins Introductions and public comments:

P. Sarnoff announced the Utah Bike Summit will be held on March 14th in Ogden and feature keynote speaker Mike Lydon.

The Bike Ambassador head, discussed his future plans for development and implementation of the BAP organization.

A representative from the County Department of Health and Safety discussed hopes for the Latina Bike Initiative and the need for more education and outreach programs in 2017. They would be willing to have Bike Utah and perhaps BAP schedule training and safety sessions.

AJ Martine discussed the installation of roundabouts on 2300 east and pointed out that the County has posted videos concerning their use and safety measures. He encouraged anyone to go to Bike Utah’s website and donate to fundraising rides that support safety and training programs throughout the year such as the BAP.

5:44- County updates: M. Hillyard said that Mayor McAdams could not attend the meeting but he appreciated the invitation and will schedule meeting with the committee in a future meeting. Hillyard did report that the Mayor’s office was able to secure funding to create a full time position for an Active Transportation Coordinator. The details of this position and who will fill it are yet to be determined but the Bicycle Advisory Committee will be involved with some of the decisions concerning a hire and responsibilities of the position.

T. Jensen was unable to attend due to illness but forwarded his updates for the ATIP committee and County developments:

- Network planning – we’ve received all of the public comments that came in. Toole has evaluated everything and created an updated route network. I just got it yesterday and haven’t had a chance to review it yet, but plan to do that soon. My meeting in 20 minutes is with UDOT. Their region leadership has requested to meet directly with Wilf and I to discuss the route proposals showing up on their network, so that is still an ongoing discussion. We will see how that turns out.
- Wayfinding protocol – we are very close to having the Countywide wayfinding protocol wrapped up. Toole is putting the finishes touches on the document, which we hope all cities will follow so that we have good, uniform wayfinding signs installed valleywide.
Best practices – Toole is also wrapping up the update to the Best Practices document. We anticipate that applicable sections like design, mapping, and implementation will be posted to the County's active transportation website so that the info is more accessible than it has hitherto been.

K. Richley from the Parks and Rec Division announced the opening of 2300 east and ribbon-cutting ceremony. He also stated that work on the Parley’s Trail that will connect Tanner Park to Sugarhouse Park will continue in the spring and include the construction of tunnels to bypass the freeway.

D. Iltis reported that as a result of overwhelming concern and comment regarding the County’s proposal to eliminate bike lanes on Redwood Road that they have suspended this project and are initiating a study of bicycle traffic and possible infrastructure improvement for bikes.

**Business Meeting**

5:52- Meeting minutes and communications report: B. Wheeler made a motion to approve November’s minutes, M. Kaller seconded the motion and the minutes were approved. I. Scharine reported that requested changes to the SLCBAC County page had not been made and they would be requested again with updated committee positions resulting from the elections.

Budget update: D. Ward reported the ending 2016 budget and remaining balance which included a few allocated expenses that had not been deducted. These include the Bicycle Ambassadors support ($5K), Women’s Bike Initiative ($1K), and National Bike Summit registration for 2017 ($1K). P. Mair also reported that bike lights have been purchased but had not arrived yet.

The committee inquired about remaining purchased items (lights, brochures, jerseys) and their whereabouts. It was discussed that they were being stored in County space but that there was limited access to this storage. The committee expressed their hope to establish a more accessible storage space and that all of their purchased be kept there and tracked with more accuracy. It was agreed that this issue would be taken up in January’s meeting.

6:07- Executive Committee Elections

Chair nominations: AJ Martine nominated A. Searle to serve as 2017 chair, there were no other nominations and Searle accepted the nomination. The committee agreed to promote him form vice-chair to chair position.

Vice-chair nominations: K. Holt asked about the position and expressed interest in nominating himself. A discussion followed concerning responsibilities and expectations for vice-chair, primarily that it would precede nomination for the chair. Holt agreed to the requirements of the position and nominated himself. The committee accepted his nomination and elected him to vice-chair.
Secretary nominations: M. Kaller nominated himself to serve as secretary. The committee asked I. Scharine if he wished to run again for the position and he declined. The committee accepted M. Kaller’s nomination and elected him as secretary. (Note: I. Scharine volunteered to lead the communications subcommittee and maintain the responsibilities of that position.)

Treasurer nominations: D. Ward was asked if he was willing to serve for treasurer again and he said that he was willing but would accept another member who wished to serve as well. Since the committee had several absent members, it was decided that this position election would be stayed until the January meeting when a call for nominations would be made again.

6:25- Meeting adjourned.