

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

### **Meeting Minutes for May 10, 2017**

*Present: A. Searle, M. Kaller, R. Topham, P. Muir, B. Wheeler, I. Scharine, M. Gregory*

*Absent: B. Byrne, AJ Martine, K. Holt, D. Ward*

In attendance: H. Peters, G. Denaris, T. Jackson, K. Richley, E. Spencer, E. Price

#### 5:35pm- Public Input:

A. Searle announced that P. Sarnoff was unable to attend due to jury duty. He added that Bike Utah is looking to fill a coordinator position for their bike education program.

K. Richley said the new Jordan River maps out. He encouraged those in attendance to take them and distribute them at community places. In addition, he said they are already distributed at bike shops and recreation centers. P. Muir asked if there are any space sections not completed. K. Richley replied the detours are marked in blue. M. Kaller asked if the trail map is available online. K. Richley said they are not yet available online in terms of interaction, only as PDFs for now.

#### 5:42pm- County Update:

H. Peters congratulated M. Hilyard, who was promoted to Director of Administrative Services. She introduced herself as the Program Manager for Transportation, working out of the Office of Regional Development. She said she is a certified planner with bikes, worked with engineers, and looked at infrastructure. She is also one of three co-founders of the Parleys Trail. The first thing she wants to do is to sit and talk with the committee about the strategic plan, what they plan to accomplish, and the budget and how to get more resources. Also, she wanted to talk about home areas for each the committee members and what successes have been achieved there. Furthermore, she wants to attend the sub-committee meetings. She looks forward to working with the committee to increase bike ways in the county.

#### Announcement - ATIP

1.) Countywide Bike Maps - County Mayor B. McAdams will hold a news conference May 30, 10:30am, location to be determined. He will present a map showing all routes in ATIP network, a top 25 list of priority projects, and the county wayfinding protocol. Mayor McAdams will be there along with South Salt Lake Mayor S. Woods.

2.) Bikeways maps available - H. Peters asked the committee members to distribute them to cities and community centers. Committee members should contact the person listed, who is familiar with the

ATIP network, for that city first to determine where to give the maps to. In addition, she requested the members to provide contact information to her.

3.) North Temple Marina Route - H. Peters spoke with the project manager M. Embray. The southside stretch of the road from 7200 to 8000 West was scraped, with dirt piled up. The road will be expanded by 9 feet on either side, to accommodate trucks, cars, and bikes. During construction, flaggers will be on both east and west ends of the construction area to limit traffic to one lane. Construction on the north side of the road will begin August 29, as there will be a pipe put in place. The project is expected to be completed by October.

Catnip grants - H. Peters will be in a meeting the following day, to determine this year's awards to cities that applied. The cities that applied for these grants in 2016 will be notified soon.

311 line - M. Hilyard, who was working this project, was transitioning to her new position. She will focus on the 311 project once she fills the associate director position.

Inventory - There was a request regarding bike racks. G. Denaris asked Max, who was looking into it.

Administration items -

1.) The need to fill openings on SLCBAC. There are four vacancies, along with the terms of both AJ Martine and P. Mair set to expire at the end of the end. H. Peters said, according to bylaws, members can serve no more than two consecutive terms. She asked members to let her know if they want to continue with another term.

2.) SLCBAC web page - Many links are broken and contact information needs updating. There is still a 2014 funding request application, and a link to Regional Development needs to be added. She asked the members to make a list of changes to the web page.

3.) Meeting Space - M. Hilyard secured room N4-250 for monthly meetings. H. Peters passed a message from HR to keep the room clean and tables put back to previous arrangement.

Getting back to the I-80 project, A. Searle received an email from C. Christensen, saying there was going to be a separate route to avoid conflicts with the trucks. As it stood, that was no longer the case. H. Peters said she listened to the presentation from the Prison Development Committee, who received information from architects and other people. That message was further confirmed by project manager M. Embray. In addition, they began training truck drivers how to handle car and bike traffic. He wanted to also make sure that cyclists know how to handle traffic in the construction area. M. Kaller said that one recent change on the SLCBAC web page was adding an online application to join the committee, as it related to A. Costillo's recent application. H. Peters asked him to deliver her contact information to A. Costillo to get the application process going. Furthermore, she said she has access to whatever resources the committee needs. A. Searle invited H. Peters to the next Ex Comm meeting.

P. Mair asked A. Searle if the issue of storage space for promotional items was resolved. H. Peter asked to give her the inventory so she can secure the necessary space to store it.

B. Wheeler asked if there are budget questions to ask A. Pitt. A. Searle said she took care of two invoices last week. M. Kaller asked if the brochures were found. Both A. Searle and B. Wheeler said they were unable to find them.

P. Mair asked H. Peters how much the maps cost to print. H. Peters did not know, saying Salt Lake City took care of printing costs. Salt Lake got the second largest distribution. - The county recreation centers and townships were taken care of. B. Wheeler asked for clarification on contacting cities on distributing bikeway maps. H. Peters said if the cities need more maps to let her know.

6:05pm - G. Denaris/UDOT

G. Denaris is involved in a project with UDOT using data from Strava as the next pashe in ATIP. Strava is a free app, with optional premium content, that cyclists use to track activities. The data for these activities is stored in a central clearinghouse. If you get on Strava's web search, it will have a heat map that shows where people are on the road. The mapping method is a qualitative, meaning the more frequented routes are brighter, while less used ones are thinner. UDOT is in negotiation to obtain the quantitative data to use as metrics. He explained that this data would be useful in determining which projects should funded, based on the which routes and roadways are being used by Strava users. The 1 to 3% of users are avid riders, creating new rutes, with the 7 to 15% users to follow suit. The frequently used routes would be identified as everyday routes. H. Goodhardt will have more infromation on this. This will save cost and protection. They are considering the use of counters at the network to verify all users and compare it to the Strava data and validate the network.

2300 East roundabout - W. Summerkorn said it was safer than Claybourne Ave Traffic there had slow down t 20 MPH. Both he and G. Denaris thinks the trend will drift upwards over time. The bridge and tunnel access to get around the roundabout is expected to be complete by August. G. Denaris said that nationally, Strava is being looked at as tool for determining low comfort routing. W. Summerkorn noted an email exchange about 23rd East years ago, and was impressed with how the speeds have lowered. G. Denaris said planning is essential. The county is still on Phase 1 (paint on pavement). Phase 2 will itergrate some of the trails with on-road facilities. They are not focusing on Phase 3, which involves engineer analysis of the nodes within the network. One cited example was Van Winkle and 900 East.

A. Searle asked about the traffic signal at 3900 South being changed out. G. Denaris said only to 500 East. The one on 900 East could not fixed because the conduit was in bad shape. There will be new construction there to brought up to standards. 3000 South will get new paint overlay to go with the new radar detection. There is an application for paint at 3900 South. If funding comes through, design is set at 3900 South Wasatch Blvd. G. Denaris will be notified sometime within the next six weeks.

P. Mair asked about a proposed project at Van Winkle 900 East. G. Denaris said the Strava data will help prioritize projects, but they are still working on establishing which project within the county will be next. Concerned was expressed about if there is a socioeconomic bias in the data. G. Denaris said the data does not distinguish differing types of riders, and even though it's a self-select group, it's a

leading indicator. P. Muir asked what the period of time for storing data. G. Denaris said it continuously store data for up to 5 to 7 years. M. Gregory asked how many cyclists use Strava, to which G. Denaris said he wasn't sure. He said Strava is a leading indicator for studying a corridor, after which they can put in counters to get a more accurate number of cyclists and pedestrians and compare against the Strava data.

6:22pm- Business

Minutes/Communication Updates - M. Kaller asked for the name of one of the attendants at last month's meeting so he can amend it to the minutes. B. Wheeler made a motion to accept the minutes with the amendments to be made later on. A. Searle second it and the motion passed.

6:23pm- Firewise Day

M. Kaller said he would attend it and give out bike lights. Other members said they will not be able to make it there due to other arrangements.

6:24pm - Budget

A. Searle said that \$5,000 allocation for the Bike Ambassadors Program doesn't need to be taken, because the county will be taking care of that. As a result, there is now extra amount that can be spent on other projects. He reached to M. Romo, who did requested funds for the Latino bike initiative, but never got it last year due to not getting an invoice. He wanted to know if she needs more help with that. In addition, he said she has someone on her staff who is interested in joining the committee.

6:25pm - Priority survey

A. Searle reported that 7 out of 10 members responded, and that infrastructure was the overwhelming first priority choice. The five top items were: an education program for cyclists and motorists, ensuring cities and unincorporated areas have an active transportation plan, connectivity between differing infrastructure, a way to provide feedback on bicycle maintenance issues, a regional bikeway system, and an education program for kids, adults, law enforcement and city officials.

A. Searles said in the next meeting is to decide what do we expect, what to we accomplish, what metrics do we use to measure success. The five items will be the focus over the next year or two. B. Wheeler said that with an educaion program, he suggested a partnership with UDOT and Bike Utah to fund it. For the county purpose, he summarized the Fort Collins education program for H. Peters. A. Searle agreed that UDOT would be a great place to start. B. Wheeler said can will send H. Peters that materials he obtained from that presentation to create an educaion program for county employees.

A. Searle said the next item was a way to gather feedback on bike infrastructure problems. He said if implementing a 311 program would take longer than they thought, then they would need to work on a different solution that would be quicker. Currently, there is no timeline on this project. He suggested a simple app, similiar to what Salt Lake City has, that would simply send service requests to the county.

M. Kaller elaborate how his company is working on creating ways for people to report outages. H. Peters has seen apps where people can upload photo for reporting issues, and provide a short list with the top issues and optional text field. P. Muir asked if a link to a city about infrastructure issues could be placed on the SLCBAC web page. A. Searle said there should be someone who can monitor these reports and gauge their progress. H. Peters said she will do some preliminary research into these solutions.

6:35pm - P. Mair said she would like to help look for corrections on the SLCBAC web page. The committee members started looking over the various pages for updates and corrections. There is a bike shop listed that should be removed, and several bike groups should be added. And the incorrect room number is listed on other pages and needed corrections.

6:40pm - Meeting adjourned