

## **Salt Lake County Bicycle Advisory Committee – January 10, 2018**

*Present: Aaron Searle, Adan Carillo, Betsy Byrnes, David Ward, Ian Scharine, Marcus Kaller, Reed Topham, Tom Jackson*

*Absent: AJ Martine, Brady Wheeler, Peggy Mair, Martin Gregory, Tom Jackson*

5:30pm- Public Input/County Update

Helen Peters passed out her report and introduced Blair Compton from Millcreek, who applied to be on the committee. Blair gave a brief introduction about herself and her background.

Helen Peters went over the 2017 accomplishments and finances, and the 2018 goals outlines from the Executive Council the week before. She listed the committee's advocacy for the creation of an active transportation manager, support for the E11 program and the Bicycle Ambassadors Program (BAP), and provided a written statement concerning the North Temple Frontage Road in Salt Lake City. She also said any budgetary concerns must be addressed at the February meeting. She also reminded the committee that Craig Wangsgard, from the District Attorney's office, will be present for the training of the Open Meetings Act. Helen asked Carlton Christensen if Sam Sedivec, the Communication Manager, could help with the committee's website and social media accounts. She also asked if e-mails for the executive committee be also directed to her as well.

Helen also talked about the Wasatch Regional Plan 2019-2050 is looking for input to generate a preferred scenarios involving active transportation. She encouraged members to read the flyer and attend one of the Wasatch Vision workshops, and provide any feedback on what is being proposed.

Helen then talked about Move Utah, a new UDOT active transportation program headed by Heidi Goedhart. Their websites will be up soon.

The UTA Tiger Grants is in the process of planning 161 projects over five years, with the county committed to matching \$1 million. The process was approved by the USDOT, and Helen handed a list of projects, along with a map, that UTA will start to the committee member.

Carlton Christensen, Wilf Sommerkorn, and Helen will met with Carlos Braceras, Shane Marshall, and Brian Adams, all from UDOT, to discuss ATIP, and got a verbal commitment from UDOT to look at the county's ATIP map and look to accommodate them in future projects.

Helen informed the committee that the month of May is National Bike Month, and May 18 will be the Golden Spoke Ride, from Ogden Canyon to Bridal Veil Falls in Provo Canyon.

Aaron Searle said he compiled a list of accomplishments, based on past agendas. He listed them and said to Helen he will email them to Helen.

Dave Iltis said UDOT has a new active transportation manager named Kelly Jones, and thinks the committee should invite her to the meetings. Then, he talked about how he thinks UDOT is trying to push bikes off of streets like State Street, by way of alternative routes. And they are repaving the roads around the University of Utah, but they ignoring cyclists' concerns over the intersection of North Campus Drive and Federal Heights Way. Dave said feedback on this project are still accepted until May,

when it begins. He laments how UDOT is doing better outside of Salt Lake County, and still has some improvements ahead.

#### Business Meeting

##### 5:47pm- Recruitment

Adan Carillo said he discussed this with Marcus Kaller about the committee's social media reach before the meeting. Marcus Kaller asked Helen Peters about who handles the committee's Facebook page, and she replied she is still looking. Adan said Sam Sedivec will be able to help with the social media aspects. Marcus Kaller said he posted on both Twitter and Facebook the recruitment flyer for people to join the committee. He was a recommendation to recruit Grant Cowell from Bluffdale. Helen said he may know some people in Bluffdale who may be interested. Aaron Searle asked Helen if she can connect to people in the county to join. Adan said the posters should be taken to bike shops. Helen said they will be posted at the county recreation centers.

##### 5:52pm- Budget

Adan Carillo said that David Ward need to leave early. David then provided the committee members with last year's budget, along with a blank version for the new calendar year. He added that Phil Sarnoff will be looking for a \$5,000 sponsorship request for the Bike Utah Summit and perhaps the Bicycle Ambassadors Program. Helen Peters said she would meet with Carlton Christensen and Wilk Sommerkorn to discuss the budget. She also said that Becka Rolf requested a reprint of the countywide bike map, at the request of the City Library and the University of Utah. Adan asked if an update is necessary and Helen remarked no, since there will be projects underway this year, working with the city governments updating the GIS layer. Peggy Mair asked when a decision to fund must be made, and Helen said within 30 days. Helen then asked for reactions for the maps. Dave Ittis said the bike shops love the maps and don't have much of them.

Aaron Searle said he wanted to see a focus on matching funds for projects. Then, he began the conversation on the National Bike Summit, which would cost \$1,300. Helen said the total cost for going (air fare, lodging, etc.) comes to \$3,000, and suggested to include the cost on the budget. David Ward talked about the Karma Bike Shop and the Latina Bike Initiative. May Romo said that the initiative will begin later this month. David listed Bike Utah's education program. Phil Sarnoff said he hope he doesn't have to make another request. Helen Peters said the county can help with social media and possible costs for posts and print media, and are open to have other vendors for purveying information about the county.

David Ward move to the allotted funds for attending conferences. Helen suggested allocating \$3,000 each for the National Bike Summit and the Walk Bike Places Conference. David asked about the dinners, which Betsy Byrne said to keep the December event. Helen asked Aaron if \$5,000 would be enough for matching funds for projects, and he said yes. Peggy Mair asked if Tom Jackson was still going to the National Bike Summit. Helen said he was supposed to reach out to her by the first of January to confirm he was still going. Aaron said this was a line item that needs approval tonight, and thought he Tom was still going. Betsy thought the Walk Bike Place Conference would be a better one to attend to. Phil Sarnoff said he was not going to the National Bike Summit, believing his time is better spent here talking to local officials on bike issues. He thought the Walk Bike Place Conference had more progressive

content. David suggested asking Tom if he would be interested in attending. Marcus Kaller expressed interest in attending as well. David suggested settling on costs in the Ex Com Meeting, and Helen agreed.

There was noises from the electronics in the room, which was turned off.

Phil Sarnoff said he submitted a \$5,000 proposal for the committee's sponsorship for the Bike Utah Summit, taking place March 13, 2018, at the Cultural Celebration Center in West Valley City. Keynote speaker will be Gil Penalosa, founder and chair of the board of the internationally recognized non-profit organization 80 Cities, based in Toronto, Canada. Registration for the summit opened yesterday, and going well. Helen asked what are the benefits for the sponsorship, and Marcus alluded to the flyer passed around, which included 7 passes for admission to the summit. Phil said registration ends before March, suggesting approving the proposal sooner for better exposure. Betsy Byrne suggesting the committee fund \$3,000, and the county fund \$2,000. Helen said she can asked, since there are some new guidelines for budgetary items. Adan asked David Ward when they can figure the costs, and he replied by the end of the week, at the latest. Betsy said tabling at the event was not as effective as going to the sessions, but if the committee wanted to, they can. Helen said Sam can help create a display and provide ATIP maps. Marcus Kaller said the committee still have some bike lights to give. David Ward said we should have a brochure about the committee and a flyer for recruiting. Phil talked about the benefits of having the summit in cities that have no active transportation plan. David motioned to have both the committee and the county jointly provide the \$5,000 to sponsor the summit, and Marcus Kaller seconded it. May Romo suggested inviting engineer students create poster presentations depicting future concepts in active transportation, and Phil liked the idea. The motion was passed. Phil asked for a high-resolution of the logo for the website.

#### 6:19pm- Retooling Our Vision

Adan referred to this in the Ex Comm meeting, about how the county has become more decentralized, and townships becoming more independent. He explained his vision for the committee as providing more support for Helen in fulfilling the county's vision to bring active transportation, especially in cities that don't have plans. He asked other members what they can do to bring forth the vision to each city, contacting city planners and starting the conversation.

Helen said she was invited to Magna Township Council on January 23 to come talk about the ATIP and the general plan update. She also said she would relay any more information to Aaron Searle about the meeting. It was about making them aware of ATIP and how to implement it into the Magna general plan.

Helen also introduced the committee to Jared Stewart, a student at the University of Utah, who made a active transportation map of Salt Lake County. He distinguished cities with active transportation plan (with date of implementation) from those without a plan. Adan suggested focusing on those cities that do not have a plan.

George Denaris stated that all roadways should be treated like bike lanes, and that all agencies should be on board with this. Helen agreed, but said there's been pushback on this, saying people believe there is a hierarchy where, for some streets, bikes do not belong. George Denaris understood this, saying the ATIP map helps explain comfortability. He also added the newly defined townships are

pushing back. He talked of inability to get funding for a project along Highland Drive, from 2700 South to 3900 South. Helen said that Midvale would be a good target since there isn't an active transportation plan, while Millcreek is updating their general plan and transportation plan with a consultant. Phil Sarnoff listed Holladay, Taylorsville, Midvale, Sandy, Draper, and Herriman as not having active transportation according to ATIP standards. Helen said Sandy does have them in the general plan, but have no transportation plan, while there are two or three cities that can be work with. She also said cities can apply for land use and transportation grants in October through the Wasatch Front Regional Council. Dave Iltis suggested bringing the cities to the committee's meetings, alternate between those with plans and those without, and use it as a tool to jumpstart implementing plans. He also said the committee has not brought in people from the outside to give presentation and give feedback. And that it takes inviting the right kinds of people in crucial positions of planning and engineering who want to present to the committee.

Adan Carillo said his concern is they present something that has no content and receive criticism. He added that he wants the cities to look at the guidelines and look at funding options. Helen thought it would be helpful to come up with constructive questions. Betsy Byrne said taking having conversations and developing relations with planners in cities with no plans is good start. George Denaris said Murray and Midvale are critical because of their location in the valley. Adan said his top priority is to unite committee members to commit on an issue and continue communication between meetings. Betsy said Holladay is another city to focus on because they are in the planning process that is creating some contention. Helen reminded the committee of her report from last month, and said Jared checked their agenda for the road diet for Holladay. And that Holladay has a new general plan, and expressed frustration about their transparency. Betsy said Paul Allred is someone in the city that is very receptive. Reed Topham said his brother-in-law was elected to Holladay City Council and is a cyclist. Helen informed the committee that the county gave Holladay \$25,000 to do a study on Murray-Holladay Road to determine if a bike lane was feasible, which it was, but there was no desire to implement it. Betsy said she will contact AJ Martine on who to contact in Holladay that would support active transportation. She also said we should build a network of people who can come together to help on rallying support. Helen said she can send more information on the Magna meeting. Adan said that is the goal of building a support network this year would be great.

6:42pm- Prior Minutes

Marcus was unable to complete the minutes in a timely manner, due to a loss of employment, and with that his laptop which has the recordings. He talked to Aaron for help on last month's minutes. Helen Peters said to use her December report. Betsy said she would send what she had as well. Helen said to have it put on the committee's website.

6:46pm- Meeting Adjourned