Salt Lake County Bicycle Advisory Committee – November 14, 2018

Present: Adan Carrillo, AJ Martine, Blair Tomten, Tom Jackson, Martin Gregory, Marcus Kaller, Eric Kraan, David Ward, Angelica Bolanos

Absent: Jack Lasley

5:30 pm- Approval of Prior Meeting’s Minutes

Adan Carrillo motioned to approved, and Tom Jackson second it. The minutes were approved.

5:32 pm- Public Comments

Helen Peters mentioned that Sean Murphy, unable to attend the meeting, was seeking recruits for the Salt Lake Bicycle Collective.

Sarah Jackson said that in Boise, ID, there is a food drive event called “Cranksgiving,” sponsored by a local bike shop there.

Dave Iltis provided some updates:

Salt Lake City is updating their complete street ordinances, and Dave advised to pay attention to any changes during the winter.

Salt Lake City repaved a section of Gladiola Street, and Dave said he would meet with them to discuss the possibility of extending the bike on that street between 900 South to 2100 South.

UDOT is reviewing 5600 South, from 2100 South to the International Center. The department is looking at putting a direct diamond exchange on the I-80 interchange that Dave said would make it unsafe for cyclists and pedestrians to cross.

Eric Kraan discussed that Cottonwood Heights is scheduling talks with the Canyon School District on November 28 to promote student to ride their bikes, which would include subsidizing e-bikes, bike lanes and other infrastructures around the schools. Education courses on bike safety would also be on the agenda.

Phil Sarnoff, of Bike Utah, said the Utah Bike Summit will be held at Thanksgiving Point, in Lehi, on March 5. Veronica Davis, an active transportation expert, is the keynote speaker.

5:42pm- Interview with Mike Williams

Mike Williams applied to join the committee to perform volunteer work in public service. He currently lives in Cottonwood Heights, and previously practiced as an attorney for 40 years, specializing in personal injuries, including those in bike accidents. Adan Carrillo expressed hopes that Mike would help with his experience. Williams said he rides across the valley, and expressed that the west side is very dangerous to ride. He also said there should be more coordination between the cities and county to develop a regional bikeway. AJ Martine said there is opportunity to be had, but the process is slow.

5:55pm- Aaron Searle, Karma Bike Shop

Aaron Searle came to request the committee for assistance for a program he is putting together through his non-profit bike shop. He was seeking $4,500 for bikes as part of a rewards program for children and
teenagers who perform community service. AJ Martine motioned to approve the funding. Adan said the limit was $3,500. AJ said he would amend his motioned to that amount. Adan asked about if Aaron would accept the amount. David Ward asked if the allocated funds for the Bicycle Ambassadors program went through, which Helen Peters said it didn’t. AJ’s amended motion was seconded, and the request was passed unanimously.

6:00pm- Phil Sarnoff – Youth Bike Program

Phil did a presentation on the Youth Bike Program, detailing what was taught, and giving statistics on how successful it did, with assessments by parents and teachers. The program reached 7,000 children across the state and Phil wants to have the program in each school. The program has received funds from the state. The request for $3,000, would be for after the new year begins. It would help in obtaining another vehicle to travel to more schools. AJ Martine made a motion to support request, and David Ward second it. The motion passed.

6:15pm- Cycling Utah Request

Dave Iltis made a request of $2000 for the committee’s sponsorship for Cycling Utah in 2019. Reed Topham motioned to approve funding, and Adan second it. The motion passed.

6:35pm- Partner Updates

There were no updates from County Parks & Recreation. The County Department of Health reported their funding was renewed, and reminded the committee of the assistance they can provide. Emily said she will be leaving her position in the Department.

6:36pm- County Updates

Helen Peters reported the following:

Applications for the Salt Lake County Transportation Choice Fund are due November 16 for projects of regional significance.

A request for letters of intent was sent to all city planners, engineers, and public works directors to apply for for grants under the Active Transportation Fund.

Adan and Helen were invited to an event held by the Mayor’s Office Board and Commission, aimed at young professionals. This will serve as grounds for recruitment for the committee.

The Wasatch Front Regional Council (WFRC) is seeking feedback on transportation projects in the Wasatch Choice 2050. Helen said the WFRC set up the choices and scenarios on their website for the public to review and choose.

Also, the WFRC is working with West Valley City in the implementation of their Active Transportation Plan. Currently, the city is accepting public comments on what and where facilities should be added.

Furthermore, the WFRC is organizing a Shared Mobility Task Force to discuss a model licensing/operating agreement and ordinance to be used by cities shared mobility devices, such as e-bikes and scooters.
Finally, Helen reminded the committee that Utah Pedestrian Summit will be on November 29 at the Utah Olympic Oval in Kearns.

6:50pm- Mission Statement Revision

Adan Carrillo said that Eric Kraan, Angelica Bolanos, and AJ Martine contributed to the revision via email. Eric then said that the word “safety” should be added. Martin Gregory said “enjoyable” should be added too. Adan said he wants the statement should express equitability to people of all socioeconomic and ethnic backgrounds. Dave Iltis read the mission statement for Salt Lake City Bicycle Advisory Committee as comparison. Marcus Kaller suggested “mode of transportation”.

There was discussion on to whom the committee advise only the Mayor’s Office or other agencies in the county government. AJ Martine said the statement was given to legal review. Helen said the statement will be sent to Greg Waynesgard for legal review. AJ Martine motioned to submit the statement as of the last revision, and Marcus Kaller second it. The motion to amend the mission statement was passed 8-1, with Blair Tomten voting nay.

AJ Martine then discussed to the committee about the goals set to promote active transportation. He stressed the importance of community involvement and input.

7:20pm- Meeting adjourned