Salt Lake County Bicycle Advisory Committee Meeting Minutes from July 1, 2015

Attending: K Sturgeon, B. Byrne, J. Herbert, D. Ward, I. Scharine, M. Kaller, B. Wheeler, M. Gregory

Absent: AJ Martine, P. Mair, A. Searle, K. Jones (all excused), Resigned committee members: S. Malone, J. Staley, Bud T.

- 5:30- Meeting begins: Introductions, public comment.
- B. Byrne gave an update on the Big Cottonwood Canyon striping and pavement project. Some of the shoulders have been widened and the roadway appears smoothed and adequate for bike use.
- K. Sturgeon reported on the Murray section of the Jordan River Parkway noting that it had been resurfaced by the city parks division.
- J. Herbert reported on the ECRIC (Emigration) meeting held on June 30th. The group hired to conduct the report has released their first draft and much of the focus is on the road and surface improvements. They are collecting public input from previous sessions and will hold another such 'open house' in the fall. Engineering and public utility structure is also among their focuses for future recommendations.
- D. Iltis announced that he had sent a proposal to the county mayor's office and others that urged the formation of an Active Transportation and Bicycle Program office with a full time county employee. This same proposal was sent to SLCBAC.
- Iltis also reported that the Mountain Accord group has been contacted regarding involvement of bicycle use in the canyons in their future planning document. There may be the opportunity to gain wilderness protection for offroad trails and other canyon resources through this strategy.
- 5:50- K. Sturgeon requested that committee members begin inquiring for potential member applications to replace the resigned members. The committee would like to focus on the south and west regions of the county where representation is currently the thinnest.

Active Transportation update: G. Deneris reported that 8700 south in Magna will get a widened shoulder with new signage and bikeway lane. The Kearns bikeway project will be taken up with the public later in the month and will address the possible installation of a 'bike blvd'. The County Master Plan will be expanded to add bicycle routes and way-finding signage. 3900 south road surfacing and bike lanes will be completed to complement the sensors installed last year and this spring. White City is planning to install bike lanes, striping and signage on several routes.

6pm- Bike Ambassador report: D. Jones reported that to date there are 80 volunteer hours recorded in 2015 and several 'Lunch and Learn' activities have been scheduled with organizations. The Jordan Parkway is planning a weevil release later in the month. Merchandise has been ordered as specified in the SLCBAC budget allocation and should appear on the next budget report cycle in August. Grant seeking is a priority with the intention to fund a full-time position at the approval of the Mayor's office. Talks are

ongoing with several law enforcement agencies throughout the county for opportunities to educate them with road respect and laws concerning cyclists.

Upcoming dates:

July 10- Bike Tour of the S-Line route

August 7- Millcreek community's 'Venture Out Night' which is bicycle themed, SLCBAC is welcome to share the Bike Ambassador's booth.

August 8- Kearns 'Water, Fire and Ice' celebration which is also bicycle friendly The Tour of Utah throughout August which the committee will sponsor for the stages held within the county.

Business Meeting

- 6:15- Meeting minutes: J. Herbert made a motion to approve the June meeting minutes, M. Kaller seconded the motion as the minutes were passed unanimously.
- D. Ward gave the budget report; not much had changed other than a Bicycle Ambassador program purchase.
- 6:21- The committee asked Martin Gregory if he would be willing to become a full time member, he agreed and M. Kaller made a motion to promote him from reserve. J. Herbert seconded the motion and the committee voted unanimously to appoint M. Gregory from reserve to full time status. This still requires approval from Mayor McAdams' office which will be confirmed at the next meeting.
- 6:25- Tour of Utah sponsorship: SLCBAC discussed the possibility of collaborating with the division of Township Services to purchase a booth at the upcoming tour stages on August 5th and 6th. Priorities would involve which members would be able to sit at the booth on both dates and the availability of giveaway material. B.Wheeler and M. Kaller volunteered to be available on Friday August 5th which still left Saturday undetermined. The committee will ask the merchandise subcommittee to research the possibility of purchasing reflective leg bands and lights or bells. If it seems possible that members can attend both days and giveaways can be purchased, an email vote to approve the funding will be conducted.
- 6:35- Mayor's Office updates: M. Hillyard informed the committee that Celena Milner was stepping down as County Volunteer Coordinator and would be replaced in the interim by Kimi Barnett. The position will be open for application later in the month. Mayor McAdams has not discussed the full time AT/Bike Ambassadors position in detail since the budget would not be able to accommodate it until the 2016 fiscal year.
- 6:43- The committee agreed that if any members wanted to attend the fall Active Transportation Summit they would have the fee paid in full from the budget. Any future funding considerations concerning AT and bicycle-related upgrades will be included in a proposal letter to the Mayor that will be written at the end of the summer. Proposals should be sent to the Ex. Comm within the next two months.

7:05- Meeting Adjourned.