

Salt Lake County Bicycle Advisory Committee

Meeting Minutes from October 7, 2015

Attending: K. Sturgeon, B. Byrne, AJ Martine, M. Kaller, A. Searle, P. Mair, T. Jackson, R. Topham, K. Jones, B. Wheeler, M. Gregory, I. Scharine

Absent: J. Herbert (excused)

5:30- Meeting begins, Introductions, public comments.

J. Knoblock said he was using the new bike lanes in the Olympus Hills area which he appreciated. He also commented that he would like to see more efforts to reduce or improve the quality of chipseal used. He hopes that SLCBAC will put forth more effort to support off road biking and trail production/designation. He suggested expansion of the Strategic Plan and possible addition to the county's Master Plan. He would also like to see greater dedication to further development of the Bonneville Shoreline Trail.

5:42- Emigration Canyon update (B. Byrne): Open house was held on Sept. 29 and a document containing the results of the study were released. They have secured \$1 mil. from SLCo but the total cost of recommended upgrades from the canyon study and ECRIC would reach up to \$15 mil. It is evident that residents of the canyon still express resistance of efforts to support the cycling community.

D. Iltis acknowledged the difficulties in Emigration, and also noted that moving forward it would be used as a charter for canyon development and relation building.

AJ Martine commented on the ECRIC document as a working process that dealt with engineering but not community relations.

5:55- Audit request report, audit request has been submitted to the Mayor's office and the results will be reported next year.

National Bike Summit attendance, interested parties should contact the Ex. Comm ASAP in order to get the process moving and funding requests submitted.

Community reports:

D. Iltis has been pursuing accommodations for bikes on Victory road and has not been successful with paving scheduled before month's end. He is hoping that they decide to change their planning and consider adding better lanes for bicycles.

AJ gave an update on the Holladay City plan developed by their Community Council. They have based their plan on Mayor McAdams' strategy to promote safe cycling.

6:05- Engineering report, bike projects: Master Plan is moving forward with review and development for combining various studies and assessments. The goal is to integrate cycling standards with street development and public policy. One result will be a reporting system to evaluate the effectiveness of the system and identify improvements. This will also result in the formation of a steering group of government representatives and community members to guide

the development and implementation process. Attention will be stressed on individual regional development with community involvement, initial funding expenditure will be a major focus.

Thermoplastic paint is being applied in Magna on highway 31 in lieu of 2016 improvements to the road.

6:23- Bike Ambassadors report: Request for letter of recommendation for a FTP for the Ambassador program. The letter is drafted but yet to be finalized and sent to the Mayor's office.

New Bicycle Collective director SLC, Sarah Yaddow, introduced herself and expressed her hope to maintain and create good relations within the community.

6:30- County Health Dept. Injury Prevention Program Manager, K. Condra introduced himself and presented on the department's efforts to involve youth in cycling. The department has been conducting studies of student use of bicycles to get to school and also walking. Overall they found that the percentages have dropped in the last 20 years. The SLCo Health Department is the leading promoter of Safe Kids which is a worldwide organization. They connect factors of disease, air quality, driver behavior and route safety to examine and address community efforts to make biking and walking safer and more used by students and parents. The program has singled out a couple of schools to begin their efforts with and engage actively with the faculty and parents to encourage safer and healthier lifestyles. These efforts also include the education to get kids to wear helmets and law enforcement to hand out helmets to youth. At the schools of Monroe and Midvale, they hope to get more students bike locks since one of the biggest obstacles to getting kids to ride is bike security. The second goal is to get bicycles in the hands of some of these students. Condra said that the Health Dept. is offering a matching grant to organizations who wish to support their efforts at these two schools with purchasing bike locks for students and bicycles for community mothers.

Business Meeting

6:50- Budget update: How to use remaining funding, conferences? Locks? The SLCo Health Department offered a matching fund program to get locks for grade schools that the committee considered. P. Mair priced bike locks but the committee was concerned about the quality of the lock (cable). Several committee members pointed out that this collaboration seems consistent with the Strategic Plan's charter of assisting in community needs and youth outreach.

AJ made a motion to use \$400 of the committee's remaining funding to apply to the Health Dept's matching offer for providing bike locks for students. P. Mair asked to amend the funding with an additional \$100 to add branding stickers for SLCBAC. D. Iltis asked that the committee also consider licensing bikes at schools. A. Searle seconded the motion; the committee approved unanimously.

7:20- AJ moved to establish registration for both bike conferences next year, and then amended the motion to register only for the National Bike Summit in order to use the remaining funding to support the health department. M. Kaller seconded the motion and it was passed with one vote against and the rest in favor.

Meeting Minutes: There was a correction to the budget report, the amount should be \$2500 instead of the \$4500 reported. B. Wheeler motioned to accept the minutes with K. Jones seconding. Minutes were approved.

Bike Utah award: B. Byrne motioned to send Kate to the awards, A. Searle seconded the motion. Motion was amended to send an additional member. Committee approved the motion unanimously.

A.Searle made a motion to spend \$500 to match the Health Dept's efforts to support bicycles for elementary school parents. The bikes would be purchased through the Bike Collective to maximize the amount of money per bicycle purchased. The motion was seconded by AJ and passed unanimously.

AJ proposed a discussion of SLCBAC's role and how it should be pursued by the committee. This would involve a closed discussion with the committee at the November meeting; the proposal was accepted.

7:35- Meeting Adjourned.