

Salt Lake County Bicycle Advisory Committee

Meeting Minutes from June 8, 2016

Attending: B. Byrne, AJ Martine, A. Searle, P. Mair, M. Gregory, I. Scharine, M. Kaller,

T. Jackson (alt.), K. Herzberg, D. Ward, K. Sturgeon

Absent: B. Wheeler, K. Tohinaka, R. Topham (all excused)

5:45- Meeting begins: Introductions

West Valley City presentation: T. Jackson gave his presentation on the present infrastructure in WVC. Most notable is that there are no bike lanes or markings designating shared roads for bikes. Tom has actively been pursuing the city council about adding features to encourage safe biking in the community. Along with adding bike lanes and racks at schools, he has asked for bike racks at public venues such as the Maverik Center. WVC also has a number of unused lanes and canals that could easily be converted for bike use. The West Valley City Planning Committee responded with their plans for future development to add class 1-3 bike infrastructure during the next 20 years. The plan, however, is fraught with errors and overlooked resources. One way to encourage development is through the ATIP meeting and planning underway right now.

D. Iltis encouraged the committee to reach out to the West Valley City Council and Mayor McAdams to reach out to the appropriate groups to develop a better plan that encourages Active Transportation as opposed to the car-centric plans that are in the current plan.

6:04- Wasatch Bike Plan: P. Sarnoff discussed Bike Utah's efforts to assist in the development of better Active Transportation resources as the County's ATIP planning proceeds. The plan is designed to involve communities that don't have bike planning in their development, and ask them to include bikes and walking as part of their cities. The program also directs cities to funding resources to assist in development and attain money to add resources. Phil encouraged SLCBAC to offer a matched fund to pressure communities to initiate the development they do not presently say there is funding for. A primary factor will be for more citizens in communities to put pressure on their cities, and for multiple organizations to cooperate to plan for the resources people want and what will make sense for their communities. Additional concerns are for continuity of planning across cities and townships and the ability to engineer Active Transportation in smaller communities.

6:20- SLCo Health: May Romo introduced herself and discussed her division of the County Health division. A primary aspect of her department is to prevent accidental injuries, which includes outreach to communities and individuals concerning safe behavior. A focused demographic is the Latina bicycle riders in their communities, and workshops and classes have attempted to include this group specifically and focus on their needs. The classes and training sessions were highly successful in both training participants and helping them attain bikes.

Romo expressed the hope to initiate an ambassador program in Spanish to reach a greater demographic and increase safety and healthy practices in their communities. SLCBAC was encouraged to reach out to the wider demographic community and form cross-relations and possibly consider candidates who could spearhead an ambassador initiative.

6:32- County updates: M. Hillyard summed up the Mayor's Ride to Work Day, and asked for any input to plan next year's event. The Tour of Utah stage 4 plans are developing and the route is expected to be announced very soon. The County would like to sponsor a community ride that would include a section of the route, volunteers were asked to step forward and possibly assist in planning this. The ride would take place in July, the stage will be on August 4th.

BAP: Contract discussion from last month was resumed concerning RFP and recruiting possible partners. Potential partners have been identified and a selection process will begin shortly, two SLCBAC members were asked to volunteer to sit on the selection committee. AJ Martine volunteered for one.

Max Johnson discussed the Tour of Utah planning for the SLCo stage and possible use of SLCBAC giveaways at future events.

Travis Jensen discussed ATIP open house results and the progress that will follow public input sessions. A draft network will be made and then public input will be sought on the route and proposed planning. The mapping project is still in development and a final formalization of roads, sidewalks and bike paths is still being worked out. Once a final draft is produced, the committee will be asked for its input in identifying aspects that need to be added, corrected or improved.

7:02- Public comments:

J. Knoblock reports that he has been working to get a countywide chip seal standard that will establish the quality of material used to assure safety for cyclists. He asked for a letter of support for this from the committee. UDOT is planning on removing bike lanes on a section of Redwood Road that will potentially disrupt bicycle traffic for years. This is also a matter that the committee was asked to encourage the appropriate authorities in reconsidering. Main Street in South Salt Lake was also re-paved without bike lanes and that could be a consideration that the committee could look into and influence.

D. Ward reported on his Emigration Canyon Fire-wise Days and handed out SLCBAC brochures and lights to participants as well as representing SLCBAC. He thought the engagement was positive and a good way to demonstrate to the public what the committee was about and the importance of safety and road rules.

Business Section

7:13- SLCBAC Work Session: A. Searle and AJ Martine discussed their breakdown of the "to do" list and the email link that was sent out to the committee. The link consists of a Survey Monkey

survey that will gauge the priorities the committee places on suggested and proposed projects that have been discussed throughout the year. Concerning the lists, a good assessment of certain topics and editing of what can be excluded will be necessary. Next month this topic will be discussed at length.

Betsy called for an additional volunteer to assist in BAP selection, D. Ward stepped forward. Also the matter of recommended letters to the Mayor concerning Redwood Road, chip seal and getting other cities to develop Active Transportation plans. Marcus Kaller agreed to draft a letter for Redwood Road, Tom Jackson will be asked to bridge the West Valley City mayor's office with SLCo. M. Hillyard asked for volunteers to assist in coordinating a Tour of Utah Ride that could be hosted (announced) by the committee.

7:27- Meeting minutes approval: AJ Martine moved to approve the May minutes, M. Gregory seconded and they were approved.

M. Kaller announced the creation of a Twitter account.

Budget summary

7:31- Meeting Adjourned