

Salt Lake County Bicycle Advisory Committee – February 14, 2018

Present: Aaron Searle, Adan Carillo, AJ Martine, David Ward, Ian Scharine, Marcus Kaller, Tom Jackson, Martin Gregory

Absent: Brady Wheeler, Peggy Mair, Reed Topham, Betsy Byrnes

5:35 pm- Public Input

Marcus Kaller informed the committee that Midvale City was holding open houses involving feedback for planning for both Main Street (700 West) and the vicinity areas around the two TRAX stations in February. Marcus also said online comments are being accepted as well, stating he submitted his thoughts on a pathway along the TRAX line, connecting to another in Sandy.

Dave Iltis talked about a proposed bill at the state legislature being proposed. HB 58 which, if passed, would allow cyclists to treat stop signs at intersections as yield signs on low-volume roads. The legislation was based on a similar in Idaho. He encouraged the audience to contact their legislator to pass the bill. Then, Dave said that the Salt Lake City Police are ticketing cyclists for moving violations just like they were cars. He was working on a letter to the city about updating the city codes. Next, Dave announced that UDOT would move ahead to remove bike lanes along Redwood Road in South Jordan in order to expand the road to seven lanes. He said to contact UDOT, who are doing the construction. Then, Dave said the area on the Parleys Trail underpass was being worked on, and followed with County Mayor Ben McAdams in a conference called Urban Solutions, proposing \$2 million to fund GreenBike in the county in 2019. And that he would pursue funding for Parleys Trail from 900 West to the Jordan River Parkway.

Aaron Searle said he attended the Wasatch Choice meeting and gave feedback regarding his community. He said key players were in attendance. He also attended meetings in Magna to bring forth an active transportation plan.

5:50 pm- County Update

Ken Richley of Parks and Recreation confirmed Dave Iltis's remarks on the proposed Parleys Trail project. He also said the 2017 bond regarding mountain bike trails, was finalizing the list of trails to work on. AJ Martine asked about the urban trails. Ken Richley said some funding can also be used there, but it's not like a grant situation. The department is working with the U.S. Forest Service and other groups

Katherine Hills, from the County Health Department, reported that they were working slowly with their evaluator to put forth data to be used to select a location from a TIGER grant recipient, looking improvements for pedestrians and bicycles as an evaluation study. The department wants to demonstrate the benefits of improvements from the grants. They said they discuss it with Helen Peters, who then said the TIGER Grants projects should be done by 2019 at the latest.

Helen Peters passed out a sign-in sheet along with a county council map for committee members to find who their council member is representing them. Then she said there was another workshop in Holladay for the Regional Transportation Plan 2019-2050, February 21. She also gave a list of workshops through July hosted by the Bicycle Ambassadors at different shops across the county. She also met with Public

Works to get a schedule of maintenance projects for 2019 and compared it with the ATIP map. She will be working with Sam Peterson, who is in charge of striping, to get what we want to match ATIP. She encouraged the committee members to contact their city public works manager to work with the county on matching ATIP.

Helen also said she and Aaron Searle will do a workshop in Magna to help with their active transportation plan. She included text from HB 58, which Dave Iltis mentioned earlier. Finally, she attached the budget guidelines, and three studies she is working on. One on the life on State Street plan, looking for land use solutions. Another is the Redwood Road Corridor Study and the last is the West Side Connectivity Study.

Business Meeting

5:55 pm- Open Public Meetings Training

Craig Wangsgard, from the District Attorney's Office, conducted the presentation and training for the committee on the Open Public Meetings Act. Adan Carillo asked a question about what if the committee is not advising the mayor. Craig Wangsgard answered would not be covered under the act, and that it's for quasi-governmental organizations. David Ward asked if some embers got together to discuss the issues, but no action is taken. Craig Wangsgard answered it doesn't come under the letter of law. Adan Carillo asked about the Executive Committee meetings, and Craig answered it isn't covered under the law, since there is no quorum and its only concern is setting the agenda for the public meeting. Craig expressed that discussion is fine, as long as there is no effort to circumvent the law. David Ward expressed some confusion about publicizing the ExComm meetings. Helen Peters said she would not make public notices of the ExComm meetings. Both Adan and Marcus said they were making efforts to make the meetings notices as much as they can. Craig said it is important, under law, to have notices in a circulating publication. Craig Wangsgard discuss the difference between an open meeting and a closed meeting. Wilf Sommerkorn asked if public comments are required, to which Craig answered they are not.

Craig Wangsgard then discussed disclosure statements, which volunteers for advisory boards must fill out. The statements are records that people must disclose any information that they work for entities that either planning to or currently working with the county government. Failure to disclose is a Class B Misdemeanor, with up to six months in jail and \$1,000 fine. If a county officer has a restrictive conflict of interest, you must recuse yourself from any discussion, decision making, or vote. If it is non-restrictive, you must disclose it in the annual report. Craig concluded that "disclosure is your friend," and if you or anyone you know has financial ties involving county business, you must recuse yourself. Aaron Searle asked about the Karma Bike Shop, a non-profit institute he operates, which has receive funds in the past for kids' helmets. Craig Wangsgard said he should disclose that, since it is a conflict of interest, though possibly non-restrictive if no profit is made. Helen Peters asked the committee members to read over the volunteer contracts, sexual harassment and disclosure forms and have them ready by next month's meeting.

6:40pm- Budget

David Ward passed out the budget request forms and the proposed budget. Alluding to the ExComm meeting, David said there is \$21,000 allocated to the committee. He said we have category outside

requests from the Bike Ambassadors Program, the second printing of the county maps, and the Women's Bike Initiative. There was \$1,500 for web advertising for Cycling Utah, but the print ad hasn't been allocated yet. There was also the proposed allocation for the National Bike Summit for \$3,000, another \$3,000 for the Walk Bike Places conference, and \$500 for the end-of-year dinner. All totaling \$20,500. David said this is not an approval for these allocations, but merely the proposed budget on a whole. Adan Carillo deemed the funding for the National Bike Summit visit "excessive" with other funding request to consider.

Craig Wangsgard came back to clarify that as, in the case of conflict of interest, you would have to make that known to the committee when making a funding request. And you must still recuse yourself from voting on it.

AJ Martine said the money is an investment, and we need to know what we are getting back. Adan Carillo agree with his statement, when there are local conferences to attend and other budget concerns. He wants to see what programs were implemented based on these national conference. Helen Peters said the committee can refer to the budget as a placeholder, with more discussions to take place. Aaron Searle asked if a motion should be made about the budget. Ian Scharine made a motion to accept the budget, with the considerations that we will not use the allocated funds for conferences. Martin Gregory seconded it and the motion passed.

Helen Peters said that Dave Ittis and she were working on the web advertising for Cycling Utah, but asked the committee to approve both the web advertising and the print advertising, at \$850. Dave Ittis said he talked it over with Helen and Carlton Christensen about the web advertising proposal, and are on the same page. His proposal would cover both web and print advertising, but it would be strict because it would not cover content of article submissions from the committee, because it would be seen as paid advertisement without disclosure. He does, though, welcome any works for publishing, as done in the past. He spoke to Carlton about that issue. AJ Martine said the committee never asked for metrics for the amount of funds provided to Cycling Utah and the impact for the funding. Adan Carillo said, in reference to the workshop list from Helen, it would not reach more people with Cycling Utah alone, and there is a need to diversify the advertisement to other publications and differing audiences. AJ Martine suggested tabling the focus and identity of the committee, because he thought it would take more than 10 minutes. Adan Carillo agreed, and Helen Peters said she will continue discussing the budget to Carlton Christensen.

6:57 pm- Bike Utah Summit

Adan Carillo asked, with the summit sponsorship, which comes with seven passes, who would want to attend the summit. Helen said she is a presenter at the summit, and encouraged members to come. Marcus Kaller said to put him down, with the caveat of "tentative."

Adan Carillo asked for help from members to look at the committee website and look for ways to streamline it and revise it. He also said that optimization for web search relevant to the committee should be considered in the budget. But he added that won't be done until the website undergoes a revamp.

7:00pm- Prior Minutes

The committee would be approving minutes for November, December of 2017, and January 2017. Adan said to approve the minutes that are on the agenda, which are November and December. AJ Martine motioned to accept them. Martin seconded it, and the motion passed.

7:03pm- Meeting Adjourned