

Salt Lake County Bicycle Advisory Committee – May 9, 2018

Present: Adan Carillo, Betsy Byrnes, Aaron Searle, David Ward, Marcus Kaller, Tom Jackson, Martin Gregory

Absent: Brady Wheeler, Reed Topham, Blair Tomten, AJ Martine

6:00 pm- Prior Meeting Minutes

motioned to approved the minutes, and seconded it. The motion passed.

5:35 pm- Public Input

Marcus Kaller talked about how he signed for the Great Cycle Challenge next month to raise funds for research on pediatric cancer.

Kevin Dwyer, of the Salt Lake Valley Trails Society, sought support from the committee on advocating the trails master plan, including lobbying and letters of support. David Ward asked him to keep the committee informed about upcoming projects. Betsy Byrnes commented that, in Utah County, there is a trails master plan in progress conducted by the Mountainland Association of Governments, should be looked at as an example.

Dave Iltis, of Cycling Utah, made several comments. First, Dave said he attended the workshop for Life on State the week before. While he lauded for the land use initiatives, he said only one solution out of five offer bike lanes. In addition, he said UDOT is the problem, as they don't want to see the narrowing of lanes. Dave said the bike option would have a better chance at spurring more economic growth. He asked the committee to write a letter to support the bike option. Second, the University of Utah began repaving the roads, but not doing anything with bike amenities on North Campus Drive, mainly crossing over the road between Federal Heights and the University. And he said UDOT is also resistant to accommodating to this and stated this much in an editorial in cyclingutah.com.

5:45 pm- Salt Lake City Bicycle Advisory Committee

David Parrott and Becka Rolf, from Salt Lake City BAC, described their committee as a sounding board from the community to city government. For this year, they wanted to made stronger ties with UDOT Region 2 and Salt Lake City Police. Becka also works with other active transportation partners, such as the city's trails program, under Parks and Recreation, and Life on State, which she said is not over with the draft plans. She thanked the county staff for reprinting the bikeways maps and elaborated that an updated edition will be made for next year.

Becka also said they are working with the county on another project using bike counters. Salt Lake currently has four counters and will soon have six. One will be installed on 300 South, and another along 600 East 1300 South. There will be another collaboration, this time with Millcreek City, on the Highland Drive/Brickyard area, in making a new active transportation corridor on either Highland Drive or Richmond Street as part of creating a downtown area there. Funding is provided through a Catnip grant from the county and another from Wasatch Front Regional Council.

Becka announced a new construction project for 900 South, from 900 East to 1300 East that will incorporate the design from the 9 Line Trail. Feedback from the public was positive, but many express

concerns on the five-way intersection at 900 S/1100 E/Gilmer Drive. There are plans to try pop-up plans utilizing different designs, including a roundabout, and using flower pots and firefighter trucks, for traffic control and gather more feedback. Becka would welcome volunteers to help with the project.

Becka talked about the Foothills Trails Plan, managed by the city's Public Lands Department, proposing additional new trails in non-watershed areas. They will seek funding for this plan, which is approaching final draft status.

Becka then talked about activities the city is hosting for Bike Month. Last week, they held the Open Street event, which attracted 8,500 people to areas, such as West Temple, 200 South, 200 West, and Pioneer Park. Next week, there will be two events. One will be commuter pit stops on May 15, with 16 stops for cyclists to stop for refreshments. The second is Mayor's Bike to Work Day, May 17. This year's route will include the McClelland Trail and 200 South, which is being considered for improvements in conjunction with the Life on State initiative.

Adan Carrillo asked if the city coordinating with Salt Lake Valley Trails Society. Kevin Dwyer said Salt Lake and Draper are the only cities with trails master plans. He said other cities should look to these plans and create their own, in keeping with the society's goals of trails within two miles of every household. Becka said natural surface trails are off of UDOT's per-view. Kevin Dwyer said paved pathways are more interesting to UDOT. Dave Iltis said semantics are important in distinguishing pathways and trails. Betsy Byrnes asked how this committee can help the city's committee. Becka Rolf said Helen Peters comes to speak to their meetings but would welcome committee members to engage. Kevin Dwyer said that Gilmer Drive is a preferred bike route by many, which Becka Rolf concur and want to see that continued. Aaron Searle asked why the city was still using counters instead of Strava data. Becka said they use the two sources together, but also said only six percent of cyclists uses Strava, which may change over time.

Adan Carrillo said Peter Tang sent a message saying he couldn't make it to the meeting. Dave Iltis asked Becka Rolf about the counters the city was using.

6:23pm- Partner Updates

Parks and Recreation- Helen Peters said an issue concerning Knudsen Park was reportedly addressed. She also said Ken Richley will address the Trails Master Plans.

Representatives from the Health Department said the Golden Spokes event will be on June 2. Helen Peters said the department is working on an audit for Magna and the active transportation plans for both West Jordan and South Jordan.

Reporting on behalf of Beth Haynes, Helen said the Bike Ambassador Program had a successful April, with 20 ambassadors logging 73 hours of time. Their adult learn-to-ride class was held with 9 participants in the class. The next class will be on June 12 at the Central City Recreation Center, and July 14 at the Northwest Recreation Center. Also, the Bicycle Basic series is growing slowly. They have some events in May, such as the Mayor's Bike to Work Day, and the Bike Bash at Fisher Mansion on May 19-20. Adan Carrillo said there is the Bike Prom on June 9.

6:30pm- County Update

Aaron Searle said he and Helen met with the Magna Community Council subcommittee to start an active transportation plan. Helen said they provided markings on a map and gave them to Max Johnson, the planner, to update the Magna General Plan. She also sought update status for certain communities on their active transportation plans. She also cited May as Bike Month and to look to Cycling Utah's web site (www.cyclingutah.com) to look up events during the month. She also reminded attendees of the Golden Spoke event on June 2.

Helen also said Avenue was selected for consulting on the West Jordan and South Jordan plans, and that West Valley City is about to make a consultant selection and the RFQ should go out next week.

Regarding the County's West Side Connectivity Study, Helen said UDOT asked the county to be a long-term partner to implement the study recommendations. She will meet with Heidi Goedhart from UDOT, along with Steve Quinn and Peter Tang, from UDOT Region 2. Tang will be the new Active Transportation Project Manager for UDOT Region 2. Finally, Helen said the re-printed 2017 Bikeways Map is available and asked committee members to take some maps to their home communities' civic centers for distribution, and if to other neighboring communities. Becka Rolf asked is there is contact information to get more maps.

Adan Carrillo asked Helen is she's been letting non-profit organizations know about the committee's off for funding requests. Helen Peters said she would have Procurement come next month to go over the rules on funding request. Adan asked Becka Rolf about the bike polo courts. Dave Ittis said they raised the funds and construction should begin this summer.

Wilf Sommerkorn said he was wrong on an issue concerning the connectivity between Parley's Trail and the Jordan River Parkway in the 900 West area.

Betsy Byrne said when delivering the maps to communities to ask if they know of people who would be interested in joining the committee. Helen Peters said there was an article on the Latina Bike Initiative in SLUG Magazine. She also said Becka Rolf sent her an invoice of the printing of the maps and she would give it to David Ward.

Martin Gregory reminded the committee that May 16 will be the Ride of Silence in remembrance to cyclists who died in accidents. The route will go from Gallivan Plaza to Sugarhouse Park at 7pm.

Marcus Kaller said Herriman will hold Pedalpalooza at Butterfield Park on May 19, 9am-10:30am.

Business Meeting

6:45 pm- Budget

David Ward said the printing of the maps should have been put on the agenda and should have picked that up. He asked Helen if this was part of the agreement. He said there is \$10,000 in the budget, but there is a question on if \$5,000 of that will go towards the Bike Ambassador Program. Marcus Kaller motioned to approve funding for the re-printing of the maps, and Adan Carrillo seconded it. The motion passed.

6:00pm- Meeting Adjourned