

Salt Lake County Bicycle Advisory Committee – September 12, 2018

Present: Adan Carrillo, David Ward, Blair Totem, Tom Jackson, Martin Gregory, Marcus Kaller, Tom Jackson, Angelica

Absent: AJ Martine, Aaron Searle

5:35pm- Public Comment

Eric Kraan, who lives in Cottonwood Heights, said the bike lane on Wasatch Blvd, between SR 209 and SR 210, needs improvement. The city was looking for additional funds to insure the project is accomplished, and contact the developers to assist. His concern was which government entities would be involved and how it would be coordinated. And the area will increase in population density, while the bike infrastructure is inadequate. He talked to Brad Gilson, the city engineer, about a lane diet on the stretch. Eric wanted the committee to contact Gilson about making the improvement in accordance with regulations.

Dave Iltis, from Cycling Utah, commented on a few things:

Next week will be a review of Salt Lake City's noxious weed ordinance, to include goatheads.

In reference to a photo of a truck spewing smoke along a road, with a cyclist riding on the side, there might be a push for stronger penalties for vehicle emission violations.

Salt Lake City is holding a public comment period regarding the Inland Port in its northwest quadrant. Dave said there are no plans for maintaining the city's active transportation master plan, and encouraged the audience to comment about this.

1700 South will get an overhaul, between Main and State street, with the curb being pushed back to allow for both parking and bike lanes, and removing a car lane, though it is preliminary.

5:51pm- Eric Kraan interview for SLCBAC

Eric described himself as an 18-year resident of Cottonwood Heights and owns a skate shop in Sugarhouse. He said he is big on promoting bicycling for communities, and people has told him they need more bike facilities in Cottonwood Heights. Adan Carrillo asked Helen Peters if a vote can be taken, which she said yes. There was discussion about what a quorum is, as stated in the committee bylaws. The committee has ten members, seven of which are present. Adan said that Betsy Byrnes resigned from the committee this week. Craig Wangsgard said they the committee can state that seven of its members recommend Eric's appointment. Martin Gregory motioned to recommend his appointment, and Marcus Kaller second it. The motion passed.

6:00pm- Bylaws Revisions

Craig Wangsgard, of the District Attorney's office, told the committee of many of the revisions to its bylaws. They include members can attend meetings remotely by electronic means, clarifying a few legal terms, and reminding members they don't speak for the county at events unless permitted by the Mayor, the elimination of alternates and redefining a "quorum" as a majority of

the committee members, only the Mayor can remove a member, but the committee can recommend that removal; and a ten-day notice on upcoming votes in meetings.

In addition, Craig made some clarifications on the Open Meetings Act. Regarding minutes, any recording of meetings should be posted within three days of the meeting, and minutes should be posted within 30 days. Adan Carrillo asked if the equipment used in the meeting room can record the meetings.

6:30pm- Matt De Lora, UDOT - How UDOT use Strava data

Matt De Lora presented how UDOT started using data they've obtain from the app Strava to analyze the usage of roads by cyclists. The information they use are the roads, the trips by Stava users (start to finish), and the intersections. This helps in creating data concerning pedestrian and bicyclists usage. And the UDOT is looking to better accommodate those two groups. Strava cans allow users to classify their activities either as running or cycling. UDOT has a special license agreement with Strava to use the data for research purposes only. Adan Carrillo said he hoped every DOT should be looking at people who are not being tracked. Dave Iltis the data should be considered as a sampling of the actual cyclist usage, and Adan said the data may be underrepresenting the actual number. Matt said the number of trips is higher on the east side of the county than the west side, which may demonstrate the disparity of Strava use between the two areas. He said counters would still be used in addition to the Strava data. He also related a story where Phil Sarnoff (Bike Utah) wanted to know where to find data for bike usage during the winter season, concerning Wasatch Blvd. Some of the data, Matt demonstrated, that if a bike lane is put in on a road, the usage goes up, as seen on Strava.

7:00pm- Things an Engineer Wants You to Know about Active Transportation Infrastructure

Blair Tomten talked about an article on the 1700 South lane reconfiguration, and claimed the author is misrepresenting the facts he presented. The author claimed the buffered bike lanes are high-stress, when it is actually a low-stress lane. Then she talked about the chicane design for the frontage road in Summit County, which is intended to slow traffic down. Instead, a video showed cars not slowing down and they drive into the bike lanes. Martin Gregory said rumble strips would alert cars they are crossing into the lane.

7:10pm- Partner Updates

Ken Richley (County Parks & Recreation) said there is a holdup by the engineer on Parleys Trail between 900 West and the Jordan River Parkway on the design of the trail. Adan asked Helen Peters if this is a project the committee can provide input for the design. And in Sandy, work is in preparation for the White City Canal Trails, which would connect to other trails in Sandy and Draper.

No new report from the County Health Department.

Helen presented a report on the Bike Ambassadors program. They have 20 ambassadors and 66 hours of volunteer work in August, along with 172 interactions at the adult learn to ride class.

7:20pm- County Update

Helen Peters reported that County Mayor Ben McAdams approved the appointment of Jack Lasley to the committee, and will forward it to the county council.

Money will be made available to purchase counters October 1 as part of the Active Transportation Management Project. There is still much discussion going on.

The intern for County Planning is putting together a presentation for where county funds is being spent on active transportation. He will come to next month's meeting.

Next month, a council member from Emigration Canyon will be conducting a survey on restrooms, with an open house planned for October.

The RFQ is out for the active transportation consultants.

7:23pm- Budget

Davis Ward said the committee allocated over \$15,000 of its budget, with \$5,500 remaining. Adan said he would talk to Beehive Bike Polo group about getting the funding approved last month.

7:30pm- Meeting adjourned