Bicycle Advisory Committee

Civic San Diego, 401 B St. Monthly Meeting – Wednesday, March 2, 2016 Minutes

Members present: Andy Hanshaw (AH) (Chair, Mayoral Appointee), Nicole Burgess (NB, District 2), Jacqueline Ward (JW, District 6), Everett Hauser (EH, District 7), Randy Van Vleck (RV, District 9), Monique Lopez (ML, District 4), Samantha Ollinger (SO, District 8), Kathleen Keehan (KK, District 5)

Members absent: John Holder (Mayoral Appointee), Nicole Capretz (NC, District 1), Michael Brennan (MB, District 3)

- 1. Call Meeting to Order AH at 6:34 PM
- 2. Approval of minutes from last meeting All in favor, SO abstained due to absence.

3. Non-agenda public comment

4. Committee administrative items

- BAC letter to MTS on bike accommodation (NB)
 - First letter to NCTD thanks them for bike accommodations, emphasis on mobility hub; KK: operation of trolley line should be directed to MTS; NB will redraft towards MTS
 - Second letter to Padres; emphasis on safe and secure bike parking at stadium; NB: motion to send letter with edits from AH, second by KK; all in favor
 - RV: MTS letter? Attempts to reach out have been fruitless. AH will reach out to get someone to attend next meeting.

5. City staff update (Brian Genovese [BG])

- City launched new website with emphasis on open data: <u>http://datasd.org</u> live today
- EH: Mission Valley resurfacing has temporary tabs. BG: Tabs don't necessarily illustrate what will be there, just keeps order.
- JW: Bike rack process? VG: Request sometimes comes from user not business owner. There are sometimes complications, but usually within 30 days there is a response. City is working on an app for all types of city requests (similar to 311 system). NB: What if bike racks are too close together? BG: Sometimes they are put in by other organizations. Contact city if there is a problem. AH: Bike corrals? BG: Not a lot going in. Usually coordinated by business districts.

6. SDPD update (Emilio Ramirez)

- Education of officers regarding sharrows/bike lanes, especially when cyclists riding 2 abreast; putting together PSA-style video for officers and public
- Police department tab on webpage regarding cyclist concerns, which can be looked into
- Bike theft in February: 135 moderate/high end bikes stolen; combination of residential and commercial theft; suspects are using ride tracking apps as tools (Strava, Map-my-ride) to find targets for bike thefts, it's possible to block locations
- Five bike-ped enforcement details planned for March
- RV: Details targeted to specific locations? ER: Corridors that are identified through complaints, usually staked out to begin with before details are sent out. RV: Particularly right on red violations? ER: No, all violations. RV: Results of citations will be available on data website? ER: It's still in the works, but will take a while.

• KK: Opportunity for groups to look at training videos before they go live? ER: Will be coordinating the videos himself, as a cyclist, but will be open to feedback.

7. Regional Bikeway Project – Pershing Bikeway (SANDAG) (Chris Carterette)

- Presentation following Jan. 20 open house to community; concepts were generally greeted with great warmth there; now reaching out to other stakeholder groups with presentation
- Goal of lower stress streets for biking; Pershing Dr goes through Balboa Park (is actually a park roadway); links many areas around the park
- Design concepts: broad two-way cycle track on east side of Pershing with buffered bike lane on west side for riders who want to descend faster than is safe on the cycle track; reduces traffic lanes for cars but that is modeled to still hold capacity; cycle track and sidewalk separated from roadway at Florida and 26th intersection, current lane number is maintained at intersection; Intersection at Redwood St: proposed roundabout in place of "triangle-about" currently in place (cycle track remains on outer perimeter); cycle track can be extended up to Utah where it would join with another bikeway project under way
- Timeline: conceptual planning spring 2015 summer 2016, preliminary engineering summer 2016 spring 2017, environmental review spring summer 2017, final design 2017 spring 2018; begin construction Fall 2018
- chris.carterette@sandag.org; (619) 699-7319
- AH: EAP project? CC: Yes, fully funded. Will be presenting plan to park group tomorrow.
- Chris Klueth
 - o Landis bikeway meeting next Monday at CHAPC meeting
 - o Wednesday March 9: 6-8 pm Landis open house meeting
 - Friday March 25: 9 at SANDAG board room, will ask board to adopt environmental document for Landis project and Robinson MND
 - Uptown: next meeting is next Tuesday at 6:30 at Hillcrest Town Council, Mar 16 at Downtown planning committee, Mar 22 public hearing (tentative, may get pushed to April, will know by end of week), Tues Apr 5 6 pm at Uptown planners; Board of directors on April 22 (if public hearing on Mar 22 occurs) as well as MND for Rose Creek bikeway;
 - Georgia-Meade segment of North Park/Midcity bikeway: Apr 13 at Kensington/Talmadge; will go to board in May
 - Wed Apr 16 coordinate with BikeSD/Bike coalition for "all advocacy" meeting for all kinds of projects
 - o AH: Bayshore bikeway dates? CC: Barrio Logan is in final design now
 - RV: April 13 Ken/Tal? CK: For Meade portion. RV: meetings in eastern area? CK: Not scheduled
 - o JW: Rose Creek bikeway meeting series is concluded
 - NB: Meeting dates to AH? CC: Sure.
 - RV: Landis details? CK: No details in presentation currently. All-way yields, some sharrows, etc. contra flow on Ray St for 50-100 ft, control to cross 30th maybe ped/bike refuge at intersection; pretty straightforward.
 - KK: San Diego river? CK: Going into final design later in spring.
 - NB: Bottom of Bachmann near Fashion Valley? CK: Uptown portion, final design won't be until next year. 4th/5th is first, Normal next, then Mission Hills.

8. BMP Implementation Strategy Follow-up (action)

- Tom Abram: SDSU bike facility plan: Montezuma Rd. and College Ave bike improvements
 - o SDSU president signed climate commitment to achieve carbon neutrality

- Greenhouse gas inventory: 33% emissions are from students commuting to campus, 6% are faculty/staff commuters
- o Mode split survey: vast majority drive alone
- Mike Singleton (KTU+A) hired by SDSU to increase biking and skateboarding on campus;
 - campus only has 2 sides that interface with roadways; creates an impediment for people to get to campus
 - bike projects have increased riding *through* campus (Campanile); as well as bike parking in those areas
 - Montezuma: 7 different options on Montezuma with varying degrees of safety, parking, cost; preferred option D was one-way cycle tracks on either side of roadway with reconfiguration on median, ~\$1.1 million project
 - College: across freeway with many mixing zones; bike lanes through lane reconfigurations; intersects with Caltrans; a lot of change can be achieved through re-striping; lots of intersections with driveways and mixing zones – suggested lots of signage to accompany; ~\$1.5 million project, but could be part of repaving project
 - Plan needs to be updated (performed in 2011), but need help making this project a priority
 - ML: Makes that commute often. Even with green striping there is still competition between bikes and cars and low lighting. MS: Right solution is getting rid of clover leafs and high-speed ramps—a Caltrans issue. Caltrans knows that is ideal, but not high on their list.
 - EH: This project should be included in Sandag/Caltrans I-8 corridor study.
 - RV: I-8 freeway ramp button-activated signal? MS: Would make sense, there may be some traffic concerns with Caltrans, as it is a high capacity intersection. Button could be a better short-term solution, but needs to be looked at. RV: College Ave improvements date is 2012? MS: Original study in 2009, updated in 2012.
 - AH: Bike parking? MS: Still needs improving, but much better than 2012. AH: Bike valets could be an incentive (like at Arizona State, *Andy's alma mater*).
- Review BAC input for Climate Action Plan (CAP) Implementation Plan (bicycle mode share)
 - Draft to Cody Hooven put together by AH
 - KK: emphasize bottom part of first bullet point to increase city's funding percentage
 - AH: Should we emphasize the corridors that we've already addressed? ML: Take a bullet point from Kathy's letter to city last time to address that?
 - NB: Resurfacing efforts have been really great, need to highlight staff maximizations of these efforts.
 - o AH: Will send to Cody. Other people to copy? Mayor and council as well.
 - RV: Transportation component of implementation plan, surprised it could be turned around that quickly. Hope for a robust section to address this 6% mode share. Will this be a "transportation" plan? AH: Importance of coordination within city departments.
 - o Motion to approve as amended: RV, second EH. All in favor.
- Review BAC input for Downtown Mobility Plan
 - o Public comment period is open until March 11
 - KK: Does anyone have safety data for downtown area? Safe Routes to School has some data in radius of certain schools. BG: Request for crash data goes through senior engineer (Julio Fuentes) in division. RV: CirculateSD looked at city-wide data, and downtown was very high. Kathleen may have data.

- KK: Community meetings reflect concern with loss of parking. Need to emphasize this is a price we are willing to pay.
- Map is graphical representation of the gaps in the bikeway network as well as proposed connections for greenway network.
- KK: Section in mobility plan that bike parking should accompany automobile parking. This should be emphasized in our comments.
- BG: Suggesting that mobility plan could include bike stations.
- KK: EIR for downtown mobility plan has a paragraph on greenhouse gas emissions stating that they are not significant. Should increase analysis of greenhouse gas emissions.
- EH: Could also include 16th street connection across freeway as a gap in the network that is enumerated in list.
- RV: Would committee be willing to include statement that we support plan, but prefer to not increase vehicle-miles-traveled? G St. lane additions might not help ridership goals, which could pump more cars through this community. It would be great to include a comment that speaks to that within our input.
- Motion to submit as amended: EL, second by RV. All in favor.
- Next steps (AH) for implementation plan
 - KK: Piece missing for strategic implementation plan is fleshing out a strategy to add projects outside of BMP update, in addition to community plans that may be inconsistent.
 - NB: Vision Zero model is to have an implementation plan for 1 year and then update. (Vision Zero taskforce meeting on March 16.) John Herrera in mayor's office has generated goals for the first year.
 - RV: Important for the city to have its own bike implementation plan, despite the fact that we are in the middle of the Vision Zero and Environmental Implementation plan.
 - AH: Come back to implementation subcommittee and come back next month with final plan.
 - NB: Does it need to be vetted through the city staff before it goes to council?
 BG: Yes. Will decrease hurdles and friction points.

7. Updates from represented constituencies

- NB: Voltaire St is being resurfaced and restriped, Wabaska St. (old Nimitz) resurfacing. Harbor Dr. near Liberty Station, Port will try to have it cleared out by March. Garnet mobility study (ATP grant), needs to be reapplied for.
- ML: District 4 residents have brought up 4291 Market St. (where 805 meets Market) safety concerns. Short term solutions would be great.
- RV: Groundbreaking of SR-15 commuter bikeway from Adams to Mission Valley this past week. Will launch next year along with centerline stations. Caltrans will maintain.
- KK: Is tasked with going to community planning groups to talk about traffic calming through Air Pollution Control District. Looking for more groups to meet with.
- NB: How do we get these small, cheap surface treatments pushed through city street department? Does this go in implementation plan?
- AH: May is bike month. Maybe a group ride.

Adjourn – 8:25 PM: Motion by RV, second by NO.

Submitted 3/31/2016 by:

Jacqueline Ward, secretary; Bicycle Advisory Committee