

Bicycle Advisory Committee

Civic San Diego, 401 B St.

Monthly Meeting – Wednesday, January 13, 2016

Minutes

Members present: Andy Hanshaw (AH) (Chair, Mayoral Appointee), John Holder (Mayoral Appointee), Nicole Burgess (NB, District 2), Kathleen Keehan (KK, District 5), Jacqueline Ward (JW, District 6), Everett Hauser (EH, District 7), Nicole Capretz (NC, District 1), Samantha Ollinger (SO, District 8), Michael Brennan (MB, District 3), Monique Lopez (ML, District 4),

Members absent: Randy Van Vleck (RV, District 9)

1. **Call Meeting to Order** – AH at 6:40 PM
2. **Approval of minutes from last meeting.**
 - Motion to approve by NB, 2nd JH, all in favor.
3. **Non-agenda public comment**
 - NB: Bike Walk group got good data from bike ped counters; but funding is only available through 2016
4. **Committee administrative items (AH)**
 - **Committee structure set up:** Kyle in D1 is carrying item forward to council
 - **2016 meeting calendar and topics:** Need to brainstorm topics that could be added to agenda throughout year; NB: MTS; JH: New port of entry in San Ysidro pedestrian entrance could have a dedicated bike lane; NC: Mid-coast trolley station bike accommodations; EH: get ahead of city budget, Tour of California in May, SANDAG ballot measure to increase active transportation; NC: Climate action implementation plan in April or May, could have presentation; ML: check in on mode share shift and clarity on what is being budgeted for bike infrastructure in city, NC: should be part of Climate Action Plan implementation
 - **Response letter from North County Transit District** (information item): letter passed around
 - **BAC Representative to Vision Zero Task Force (Action) (Kathleen Ferrier):** In Nov. 2015, the city council unanimously voted to support vision zero. Circulate SD has been tasked with forming a task force to help reach that goal; this will include representatives from city staff, area businesses, etc.; 9-10 people across a broad spectrum. Task force will begin meeting next week and prepare a strategy by the end of March, so that it will comply with 2017 budget cycle. Initial strategy would only include the first year to be developed from there. ML: Details on other task force members? KF: Someone from the mayor's office (infrastructure or environmental policy), Jonathan Herrera (D9), representatives from Transportation and Storm Water and Transportation Planning, development services (unconfirmed), SDPD, would like to include a bike advocate, pedestrian advocate, health advocate, and a community group leader. City has formed a University Avenue Task Force with stakeholders helping to form the ideas for changing a half-mile stretch of University Ave. in City Heights, would like to emulate this plan. ML is unavailable to serve on this committee. NB is interested. ML: how will people be notified of these meetings etc.? KF: Don't know yet, but will get the word out as best as she can. NB: Will likely follow Brown Act, and must be posted. AH: NB will be appointee.
5. **City staff update (Brian Genovese [BG])**
 - **"Looking Back" Bike Program Quarterly Report:** bike infrastructure documented throughout the city; dark blue areas on map (will be made available to Andy for distribution)

- **“Looking Forward”**: Provided a list of projects that can be coordinated throughout other city departments through “conflict resolution” program within city; Black areas represent all the resurfacing areas that fall within bike changes according to the BMP. FY 2016: 79 miles of 304 miles of slated resurfacing efforts are part of BMP. NC: Can this be overlaid with the priority corridors identified last meeting? BG: Will address that. 32 miles of newly implemented bike lanes, more improved with buffers. NB: Community requests for resurfacing? BG: There is a general rule of “worst first,” through a predetermined methodology. Means that bike program has been reactive for the most part. KK: Is the reactive process going to change? BG: It will be reactive for the foreseeable future as the bike program has the engineers who can do the design.
- **Priority projects:**
 - a. El Cajon Blvd. (43rd to Montezuma BMP project 10, Utah to 43rd BMP project 11): small projects currently under way (Urban Greening Plans); bike program will move forward with reviewing this segment based on feedback from committee
 - b. 4th and 5th ave.: overlap with SANDAG early action project, if it is resurfaced will be addressed by bike program; as for the actual engineering, sharrows may be the only option
 - c. University ave. (BMP projects 22 and 27): some overlapping projects, including SANDAG early action plan and urban greening pilot projects
 - KF: How are the overlapping projects on this map “underway”? BG: Don’t know the details. ML: These are likely still concepts with preliminary designs, but no official “engineering” yet.
- **Design projects completed and in-progress:** list of projects that have already been designed or are in the process

6. SDPD update (Lt. Leonard Flake [LF])

- 116 bike thefts in December. 39% valued over \$1000. Northwestern division (Carmel Valley) had 30 total thefts.
- Collisions:
 - Crash on 54th St.: do not know who the person is who caused the initial crash, but the person driving a subsequent vehicle will be charged
 - Fatality at 8800 Friars Rd. (man walking bicycle and crossed into traffic)
 - Fairmount and Home Ave. bicyclist hit and run
 - 300 Washington St. pedestrian walked into path of oncoming vehicle with significant injuries
 - Genesee and Park Mesa Way: fatality of pedestrian walking against light
 - 4300 Home Ave. driver repositioning car and collided with toddler, sustained injuries but not fatal
 - 47th street pedestrian crossing mid-block sustained major trauma
- No fatal bike crashes in Q2 in city, many more pedestrians
- List of fatalities and major injury crashes from 2015 with pedestrians and bicyclists
 - Bicycle crashes were unchanged from CY 2014 to 2015; increase for pedestrian crashes considered serious or fatal
- Enforcement on Dec. 28 in Mira Mesa/Black Mountain area issued 32 citations to drivers in the bike lane; would like to know any other areas for enforcement
- EH: Report on distracted driving and/or cell phone use tickets for upcoming meetings? LF: Will include for next time.

7. Intersection Treatment Memo (EH)

- NC: We should copy new assistant director in Transportation and Storm Water to memo.

- NB: Move to submit memo with addition of copying assistant director, ML: second. All in favor.

8. BMP Implementation Strategy Follow Up

- **Climate Action Plan update:** Climate plan passed unanimously with all mode-share goals remaining intact. Annual monitoring means accountability. April is when the mayor will submit implementation plan (Cody Hoovman (sp?)). We can make recommendations for the implementation plan or react to it, or both. AH: Next meeting we can have a memo with action plan. NC: David Alvarez will also have a watchdog group within his environmental subcommittee that will also oversee the plan.
- **Downtown Mobility Plan update (Civic San Diego) (Brad Richter [BR]):** Will submit SCIR and final details next Friday. Map with proposed road diets or closure of streets to vehicles. Map with proposed cycletrack network (two way and one way). Would like to realign Pacific Highway to 4 lanes plus protected cycletrack. Would like to close Park on the south end—will likely be the most pushback. J street (from I-5 down to 1st Ave) would have a ~10 ft 2-way cycletrack. EH: Bulbs out of sidewalk? BR: Can be very expensive, so trying to break out the bicycle infrastructure from these in certain cases. Map of greenway network: connecting existing parks via enhanced pedestrian linear parkways—could have 6 blocks completed within the next 3-4 years. Will release big announcement next week and website. Will come make formal presentation in February and then roll out to community groups and need to be before city council in May. Will have full environmental clearance when turned over to the city. KK: Will speed limits be lowered downtown on these linear park streets? BR: Haven't considered it yet. KK: Any facilities proposed on 4th and 5th? BR: Community and stakeholders were extremely wary, so focused on 6th ave. KK: Harbor Dr.? BR: The whole promenade along the bay should be a shared bicycle pedestrian space. NC: Will funding be attached to final draft? BR: We list potential funding (downtown parking funds), etc. but it will be part of city decision-making. Will be working on it when the plan goes out for public review.
- **FY 2017 budget memo (Action):** Draft memos from KK and ML passed out. ML: Main difference is the inclusion of the community working group in City Heights as a model. KK: Like the inclusion of that as a model. NC: Would like to include the downtown mobility plan and bike facilities included at the Balboa Ave. mid-coast trolley station. Budget memos go to Mayor's office and Independent Budget Analysis office. If multiple committee members include climate action plan—this will play along with that. ML: Can work with KK to keep spirit and intent of both memos. KK: Struggling with how to include downtown mobility plan and/or midcoast trolley. NC: Can make it very general and reference support for funding. AH: KK and ML can work together to merge drafts. KK: Mid-coast trolley bike infrastructure inclusion could muddy the waters. NB: SANDAG should be responsible for those projects. NC: Separate memo to SANDAG and city about mid-coast trolley. NB: Should reference correlation of percentage of resurfacing budget to desired bike mode share (6%).
JW: Motion to merge documents with inclusions of reference to downtown mobility plan and language from previous memo regarding matching percentage of mode share, 2nd by NB, approved by all, abstention by JH.

7. Updates from represented constituencies

- AH: Two community meetings: Robinson tomorrow and Pershing Dr. next week
- ML (D4): Met with members Cole, Emerald, Alvarez and mentioned current plan. Will likely be included in their joint budget memo. Jan 27 at 9 am will be first budget hearing for council.

Adjourn – 8:35 PM: Motion by NB, second by AH.

Submitted 1/31/2016 by:

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