

MINUTES
of the
CITY OF FORT COLLINS BICYCLE ADVISORY COMMITTEE

May 21, 2018
6:00 p.m.

Community Room
215 North Mason Street
Fort Collins, CO

FOR REFERENCE:

Chair:	Luke Caldwell	
Vice-Chair:	Aaron Buckley	
Staff Liaison:	Tessa Greegor	970-416-2471

BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT:

**Luke Caldwell, Chair, Natural Resources
Advisory Board**

Aaron Buckley, Vice Chair, Fort Collins Bike Co-op
Bruce Henderson, Bike Fort Collins
Todd Dangerfield, Downtown Development
Authority
Marcia Patton-Mallory, Land Conservation and
Stewardship Board
Karl Ayers, Transportation Board
Alan Beatty, Senior Advisory Board
Kelly Smith, Parks and Recreation Board

CITY STAFF PRESENT:

Nicole Hahn
Tessa Greegor

PUBLIC PRESENT:

Kevin Orchard

ABSENT:

Terri Marty, At Large Member
Annie Krieg, At Large Member
Chris Hunt, Poudre School District
Mark Houdashelt, Air Quality Advisory Board
Sylvia Cranmer, Colorado State University

1. CALL TO ORDER

Chair Caldwell called the meeting to order at 6:00 PM.

2. AGENDA REVIEW

Chair Caldwell reviewed the agenda.

3. PUBLIC COMMENT

Kevin Orchard introduced himself and stated he will be graduating from the City Works 101 class tomorrow.

4. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Henderson made a motion, seconded by Patton-Mallory, to approve the minutes of the April 2018 meeting. The motion was adopted unanimously.

5. FOLLOW-UP FROM PRIOR MEETING/FUTURE BUSINESS

None.

6. TRANSPORTATION BOARD REPORT – Ayers

Ayers reported on the recent Transportation Board meeting during which the City Plan update was discussed, and a transit update was provided. The first and last mile aspects of transit was discussed. The North Front Range Metropolitan Planning Organization gave an update on its informational gathering for a regional loop. He asked if Zagster prices are increasing. Gregor replied the pricing structure will change and she will discuss that during her presentation.

7. COMMITTEE MEMBER REPORTS/COMMENTS

Dangerfield reported on the ongoing alley projects and stated the new bike rack will be installed in June.

Patton-Mallory reported the Land Conservation and Stewardship Board has been discussing the history of easements.

Buckley reported the Bicycle Co-op staff has broken into various groups to address different aspects of the Co-op. Members discussed getting a tour of the facility.

Beatty reported he is encouraging seniors to ride bikes. He stated the Senior Center has a strong membership with many summer programs and trips.

Chair Caldwell stated the Natural Resources Advisory Board has been discussing the regional waste-shed and stated the climate action goal of carbon reduction is closer to being met.

Henderson reported the spring semester of Safe Routes to School is being wrapped up and noted 34 kids were taught how to ride at Irish Elementary. He stated Bike Fort Collins has just hired a community relations coordinator and announced the Hickory Street bike share launch Latino-focused open streets event on June 16th.

9. ACTION ITEMS

None.

9. DISCUSSION/INFORMATION ITEMS

• **Grade Separated Crossings Prioritization Study – Hahn**

Nicole Hahn, Civil Engineering Department, stated the purpose of this study is to prioritize spending of the portion of BOB tax dollars designated for grade separated crossings. She discussed the prioritization tool and its 6 criteria: demand, connectivity, safety, public support, social equity, cost, and constructability. She discussed the areas currently on the list.

Greeger discussed the Bicycle Network Analysis tool.

Smith asked how coordination with the Parks and Recreation Department occurs regarding trail design and funding. Hahn replied Parks Planning, FC Moves, Safe Routes to School and Traffic Operations staff members are all part of the team. She stated the first project design for the Power Trail at Harmony has been funded by a grant and is currently under design.

Henderson asked why FC Moves and Parks do not combine budget dollars to look at funding another crossing as opposed to just waiting for grant funding. Greeger replied FC Moves can and has contributed to trail / overpass projects; however, these projects are typically expensive and beyond the FC Bikes current capital project budget.

Hahn detailed various projects on the prioritization list and discussed alternative mitigation concepts for infill developments. She stated she will be presenting for other Boards and Commissions and a public involvement process in the form of a survey will be upcoming.

- **Colorado Safety Stop Bill – BAC Discussion**

Chair Caldwell summarized this bill stating it will allow bicycles to treat stop lights as stop signs and stop signs as yields. Greeger noted the state law does not effectively change the law in Colorado, but creates the language and consistency for local jurisdictions interested in pursuing a bicycle stop bill.

Commission members discussed the benefits and drawbacks of a safety stop bill, citing its use in Idaho.

A question was asked if the Transportation Board is aware of this change. Ayers replied he was unsure if it had passed at the last meeting; however, there did seem to be interest in discussing it. Dangerfield stated this is a polarizing issue.

It was suggested to collect notes of previous discussions and discuss the importance of whether this solves a problem.

Chair Caldwell asked if Larimer County or other municipalities have discussed this. Greeger replied she did not believe other Northern Colorado municipalities are extensively discussing it, however it was introduced at a recent NoCo Bike Ped Collaborative Meeting, which may spark future discussion.

- **Bike Share Expansion Update – Greeger**

Greeger discussed the new system from Zagster, called Pace. She stated June 1st is slated to be the launch date and 23 new stations will be added. The new system will allow riders to leave bikes and end a trip at any bike rack throughout town.

In terms of pricing, Greeger stated the annual pass will no longer be available. A monthly pass will be about \$30, and the system will have the functionality to provide ride credits and certain promotions.

Greeger discussed the locations for new stations, including several along North College and at local parks. She noted a new app needs to be downloaded for Pace.

Patton-Mallory asked if the bikes are reservable. Greegor replied reservations are not accepted; however, bikes can be placed on hold while a rider may be at a store or restaurant.

10. REPORTS

- **Staff Report**

Greegor announced the first Open Streets event on June 3rd. She stated staff is working to develop a proposal for the E-bike pilot program; a one-year program is being considered for all paved trails. Evaluation and education components will also be included. Greegor stated vendors will be doing E-bike demos at the June 3rd Open Streets event. She asked if the Commission would support garnering some type of short feedback from that event. Commission members supported the idea and volunteered to assist. Ayers suggested incorporating a question related to safety perception.

11. NEW BUSINESS/FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

None.

12. ADJOURN

The meeting adjourned at 7:55 PM by unanimous consent.