

**MEETING MINUTES OF
BICYCLE ADVISORY COMMITTEE (BAC)**

February 23, 2015

6:00 p.m.

Community Room
215 North Mason Street
Fort Collins, CO 80522

FOR REFERENCE:

Chair: Sylvia Cranmer

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Staff Liaison: Tessa Greeger

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COMMITTEE/CITY ORGANIZATION MEMBERS PRESENT

Sylvia Cranmer, Bike Fort Collins

Gray Harrison, Fort Collins Bike Co-op

Bruce Henderson, Bike Fort Collins and Parks and Recreation Board

Chris Hunt, Poudre School District

Kathryn Grimes, Land Conservation & Stewardship Board

Ed Ossello, Bicycle Pedestrian Education Coalition

Greg Oakes, Transportation Board

Ragan Adams, Parks and Recreation Board

Joy Childress, Colorado State University

Todd Dangerfield, Downtown Development Authority

Joe Halseth, Natural Resources Advisory Board

MEMBERS AT LARGE PRESENT

Dan Gould

ABSENT

Lawrence Bontempo, Senior Advisory Board

Chris Hutchinson, UniverCity Connections

Dee Colombini, Member at Large

CITY OF FORT COLLINS STAFF PRESENT

Tessa Greeger, FC Bikes Program Manager

Nancy Nichols, Safe Routes to School

Amy Lewin, Senior Transportation Planner

Paul Sizemore, FC Moves Program Manager

CITIZENS PRESENT

Cathy Busch-Kinkaid

Will Hickey

Scott Sampl

CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order by Chair Sylvia Cranmer at 6:15 p.m.

AGENDA REVIEW

Chair Cranmer reviewed the agenda and stated that adopting the 2015 BAC Work Plan would be a priority for this meeting.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Chair Cranmer asked if there were any changes to the January 26th meeting minutes and there were none. Kathryn Grimes motioned to approve the minutes. Bruce Henderson seconded the motion and they were approved. Due to their absences at the January 26th meeting, Joe Halseth, Todd Dangerfield, Ragan Adams and Joy Childress abstained.

FOLLOW UP FROM PRIOR MEETING

New members Gray Harrison, Greg Oakes and Chris Hunt introduced themselves to the board a second time in deference to those board members who were not at the January meeting.

PUBLIC COMMENT

Chair Cranmer asked for public comment. A member from the local Sierra Club introduced himself. Chris Hunt thanked Cranmer for a recent article in the Coloradoan bringing awareness to the You Know Me Campaign.

FOLLOW UP FROM PRIOR MEETINGS

- **Name Tags for BAC Members** – Sylvia Cranmer suggested and committee members agreed that name tags would not include individual's names due to the turnover on the committee. Names tags would say: City of Fort Collins Bicycle Advisory Committee.
- **Community Member Dialog** – The topic of how to respond to community members who share feedback and comments at BAC meetings was again considered. Tessa Greegor recommended that if comments from community members required more research they will be reviewed and discussed at the next meeting. Cranmer reported that community member comments are received but are not part of the meeting dialogue.
- **Colorado Driver's Test Questions** – Kathryn Grimes reported that she was still researching how to add questions to the Colorado Driver's test about sharing the road with cyclists.
- **New Member Orientation** – It was suggested that an information packet be put together with more information on the BAC and its role in the city's bicycling program. Ragan Adams shared that new members to City of Fort Collins boards are required to watch a video outlining the guidelines for serving on a city board. Kathryn Grimes recommended Tessa Greegor review this option to see if the video might be appropriate for BAC members. Tessa will look into both ideas and report back.

ACTION ITEMS

2015 BAC Work Plan Review and Approval

- Kathryn Grimes suggested adding Economic Impact and Environment to the 5 "E"s: Engineering, Education, Encouragement, Enforcement and Evaluation.
- Ragan Adams reminded everyone that BAC is a subcommittee of the Transportation Advisory Board, not an actual board. She feels the committee needs to be careful it does not overstep its

role which is strictly one of giving input and advising the Transportation Board. It is not its own entity affecting community policy. She also felt that posting comments on social media be only on a personal level, not as a representative of the BAC.

- Bruce Henderson agreed and suggested that BAC take its direction from the Transportation Board as far as any additional roles the committee should take on.
- Ragan Adams shared that since the BAC includes members from other city boards it has an opportunity to share its influence and perspective with those boards. All BAC members are chosen based on their connection to the bicycling community.
- It was decided that any reference to BAC as a board be removed from the Work Plan. If approved, the Work Plan would be considered an internal work plan only to give the BAC direction as it moves forward.
- Katherine Grimes made a motion to adopt the Work Plan with the following changes: Any reference to BAC as a board be removed. The motion was seconded by Bruce Henderson and approved. Ragan Adams abstained.

DISCUSSION/INFORMATIONAL ITEMS

Climate Action Plan – Paul Sizemore

Paul shared an update of the city's Climate Action Plan which will be going before city council in March for approval. The Climate Action Plan has the following goals: 1- 20% reduction in greenhouse gas emissions by 2020. 2- 80% reduction in greenhouse gas emissions by 2030 and 3- 100% greenhouse gas emission free by 2050. Data shows that 50% of greenhouse gas emissions are caused by electricity generation and 24% by ground travel. Paul focused his discussion on the area of reducing emissions by ground travel with emphasis in the following areas:

- Advanced Mobility: Making Transport Faster, More Convenient and Cleaner
- Shift Land Use Patterns to Shorten Trips and Reduce the Need to Drive
- Drive Adoption of Multimodal Transport
- Accelerate Adoption of Fuel Efficient and Electric Vehicles

West Central Area Plan/Prospect Corridor Design – Amy Lewin, Senior Transportation Planner

Amy shared an overview of the West Central Area and Prospect Corridor plan. This includes the area bordered by Drake Rd., Mulberry St., Taft Hill Rd and College Avenue (West Central Area) surrounding CSU campus as well as the area from Lake Street to Prospect and College to Shields (Prospect Corridor). This area has old design and infrastructure making connecting difficult. The goal is an attractive, functional, well-designed mixed use corridor that serves the mobility of CSU and surrounding neighborhoods and businesses. The plan will be presented to council in March.

REPORTS

Staff Reports

- Tessa Greeger reported that the funding for a low stress corridor for Pitkin Street has been received.
- The city is still finalizing designs for a Remington St. Eco-Totem Counter to be located somewhere between Lake and Pitkin.
- Tessa will have a presentation at the March meeting on funding from Kaiser for a protected bike lane pilot project.

- Food for the BAC meeting was provided by FoCo Café. Tessa suggested that members arrive at future meetings 10 minutes early to allow for the food to be served and the meeting to start on time.

Committee Member Reports/Roundtable

Gray Harrison – Fort Collins Bike Co-op: The Bike Co-op is moving to a new location at 1501 N. College Avenue early next fall. A community funded campaign to raise \$75,000 will be kicking off March 1. Gray will keep the committee informed via email and also suggested they join Fort Collins Bike Coop on Facebook.

Bruce Henderson – Parks and Recreation Board: Plans for the new southeast Recreation Center have been complete and will be presented to city council soon. In addition, Bike Fort Collins is launching a new membership program to be kicked off April 9. He also asked the board to join their Facebook page.

Chris Hunt – Poudre School District: They are continually working with the schools to encourage and train kids to walk, ride and skateboard to school on a regular basis.

Katherine Grimes – Land Conservation Board: The Board's focus is on purchasing small parcels of land within the city limits to keep them as open spaces with bicycle and walking trails. The board meets the 2nd Wednesday of each month. She invited BAC members to attend.

Todd Dangerfield – Downtown Development Authority: They DDA will break ground on the remodel of Old Town Square this March. They are also working on a community forum to address bike safety and licensing reform.

Joy Childress – Colorado State University: CSU is holding monthly travel training classes to encourage alternate travel options, especially in light of the fact that the five major building projects slated for campus will result in the loss of 2000 parking spaces. In addition, the Campus Bicycle Advisory Committee is naming the bike paths on campus in an attempt to make them more visible in the community. And, the University received a Ripple Effect grant to create and promote women's group bicycle rides.

ADJOURN

Chair Cranmer asked for a motion to adjourn. Ragan Adams motioned to adjourn the meeting at 8:15 p.m. Todd Dangerfield seconded and the motion was passed.

The next regular meeting is scheduled for Monday, March 23, 2015.

HAND-OUTS

Proposed BAC Work Plan 2015

West Central Area Plan maps of Bus Stop Improvements, Potential Intersection Projects and Potential Roadway Projects

West Central Area Plan/Prospect Corridor Prospect Road and Lake Street Design drafts