

Bicycle Advisory Committee (BAC) Meeting Minutes

June 1, 2015, 6:00 p.m.

Community Room
215 North Mason Street
Fort Collins, CO 80522

FOR REFERENCE:

Chair, Sylvia Cranmer	970-493-5277
Staff Liaison, Tessa Greegor	970-416-2471

COMMITTEE MEMBERS PRESENT

Ragan Adams, Parks and Recreation Board
Gray Harrison, Fort Collins Bike Co-op
Mark Houdashelt, Air Quality Advisory Board
Greg Oakes, Transportation Board
Lee Swanson, Downtown Development Authority

AT LARGE MEMBERS PRESENT

Cathy Busch-Kinkaid
Sylvia Cranmer, Chair
Patrick McCarty

ABSENT

Lawrence Bontempo, Senior Advisory Board
Joy Childress, Colorado State University
Kathryn Grimes, Land Conservation & Stewardship Board
Joe Halseth, Natural Resources Advisory Board
Bruce Henderson, Bike Fort Collins and Parks and Recreation Board
Chris Hunt, Poudre School District
Chris Hutchinson, UniverCity Connections
Kelly McDonnell, Natural Resources Advisory Board
Ed Ossello, Bicycle Pedestrian Education Coalition

CITY OF FORT COLLINS STAFF PRESENT

Tessa Greegor, FC Bikes Program Manager
Paul Sizemore, FC Moves Program Manager

GUESTS and CITIZENS PRESENT

Chris Johnson
Ted Manahar
Ryan Nicholson
Michele Scalva, Recorder

CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order by Chair Cranmer at 6:07 p.m.

Meeting began with introductions from Lee Swanson, owner of Ben & Jerry's now representing the Downtown Development Authority, and Patrick McCarty former professional cyclist and new At Large member.

AGENDA REVIEW

No changes to the agenda.

PUBLIC COMMENT

Ted Manahar introduced himself and shared his interests in cycling.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

April's minutes were approved unanimously.

FOLLOW-UP FROM PRIOR MEETING/FUTURE BUSINESS

Chair Cranmer stated the BAC would ask for an update from Kathryn Grimes at the next meeting regarding her communication with State Staff and Officials about possibly adding questions to Colorado's driver test.

Chair Cranmer talked with members about attending the Transportation Board (T-Board) meetings and the possibility of rotating attendance. City Staff will send email notices of the T-Board meetings. A committee member suggested signing up to receive notices of published board and committee minutes on the City website.

Reminder of the June 2nd City Council meeting, which includes reading the Bicycle Month Proclamation; meeting is at City Hall 5 p.m.

ACTION ITEMS

None.

DISCUSSION/INFORMATIONAL ITEMS

2015 USA Pro Challenge – Chris Johnson

Chris is the Technical Co-Chair for the 2015 USA Pro Challenge being held August 22nd. His work includes designing the course and ensuring safety.

Regional area municipalities are collaborating to host a Northern Colorado Pro Challenge Stage. Chris outlined the 2015 stage route that is approximately 100 miles. The women will leave 10 minutes before the men from The Ranch and have a slightly different route. The 2015 big addition is hosting a second day of the women's challenge.

Event organizers are interested in community investment and involvement in the race, and in showcasing area transportation resources (Transfort and trail system) as well as featuring local lifestyle opportunities and culture.

Q&A:

- Create video vignettes for social media promotion.
- Committee member shared names of community groups that may be interested in partnering with the event organizers to host promotional activities.
- BAC members brainstormed ways to engage the community on race day and utilize area commuting options.
- Race can be watched from the *Tour Tracker* application.

Chris Johnson may attend future BAC meetings to provide updates.

Fort Collins Bicycle Wayfinding System Plan – Tessa Greegor

Highlights:

- The Wayfinding System is based in the 2020 Low-Stress network.
- Mission statement and goals were shared.
- Different types of signs were shown. There is mandated sign design guidance with flexibility on color, shape and font.

- Other wayfinding identifiers include pavement markers, kiosks and logos.
- Members were asked what the current City navigational challenges are and to mark suggestions on large-scale maps provided and give signage recommendations.
- Initial meeting to create and organize the wayfinding system included area cycling-oriented groups and clubs, County, State and Downtown Business Authority representatives.
- Suggestions for the appearance and information to be included on signs was discussed and recorded.

2015 Bike Map Update – Tessa Greegor

A large-scale version of the updated City bike map was provided, and Tessa highlighted recent changes made as well as additional updates planned. A draft of the proposed map with educational information was also provided for review. Bike map updates and reprinting will happen yearly with a current version always available online. Members provided feedback and noted needed corrections. The planned date of map availability is the 2015 *Bike to Work Day*.

STAFF REPORTS/ANNOUNCEMENTS

Tessa Greegor

Open Streets event, Sunday, June 7th, handout provided and volunteers needed.

Get Outdoors Day, June 13th at City Park.

Laurel Pilot Project has begun construction. In the next few weeks there will be bike ambassadors and police onsite introducing the new structure.

MEMBER REPORTS

Lee Swanson, Downtown Development Authority (DDA), talked about bike trail safety. BAC members discussed trail sections with limited exit options.

Cathy Busch-Kinkaid, met with a Larimer County staff member whose work encompasses transportation issues. Cathy provided meeting highlights and ideas on how the BAC could work with the County on cycling-related topics. A member suggested gathering relevant information from the monthly rides led by Bruce Henderson.

Greg Oakes, Transportation Board, shared his experience in riding/using the Portland, OR, trail and transportation system.

Mark Houdashelt, Air Quality and Advisory Board, stated the City is working with consultants to estimate air quality impacts with planned transportation projects. Mark invited BAC members to email relevant questions to him to ask/gather information on.

Patrick McCarty, plans to represent the BAC in partnering with the Pro Challenge event organizers.

Sylvia Cranmer, shared the idea of a bike summit to better streamline the activities and services of all area cycling-related entities. A member talked about a possible facilitation method called “open space” for the summit.

NEW BUSINESS/FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

None.

ADJOURN

Motion to adjourn at 8:17 p.m. unanimously approved.

The next BAC regular meeting is Monday, June 22, 2015.