MINUTES of the CITY OF FORT COLLINS BICYCLE ADVISORY COMMITTEE

September 25, 2017 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

Chris Hunt, Poudre School District
Mark Houdashelt, Air Quality Advisory Board
Bruce Henderson, Parks and Recreation Board
Todd Dangerfield, Downtown Development
Authority
Savannah Welch, At Large Member
Sylvia Cranmer, Colorado State University
Annie Kreig (sp?), At Large Member
Alan Beatty, Senior Advisory Board
York, Transportation Board

ABSENT:

Terri Marty, At Large Member Joe Piesman, Land Conservation and Stewardship Board Ragan Adams, Parks and Recreation Board Aaron Buckley, Vice Chair, Fort Collins Bike Co-op Chris Johnson, Bike Fort Collins

CITY STAFF PRESENT:

Aaron Iverson Paul Sizemore

PUBLIC PRESENT:

None

1. CALL TO ORDER

Chair Caldwell called the meeting to order at 6:01 PM.

2. AGENDA REVIEW

Chair Caldwell reviewed the agenda.

3. PUBLIC COMMENT

None.

4. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Houdashelt made a motion, seconded by Caldwell, to approve the minutes of the August 2017 meeting as amended to use only last names when referring to Boardmembers. The amended minutes were adopted unanimously.

5. FOLLOW-UP FROM PRIOR MEETING/FUTURE BUSINESS

None.

6. TRANSPORTATION BOARD REPORT - Sizemore

Sizemore reported on the last Transportation Board meeting during which E-bikes were discussed and Rob Mosbey provided an update on the pedestrian program. Mark Jackson also provided an update on I-25 projects and the Board adopted its 2018 Work Plan.

7. COMMITTEE MEMBER REPORTS/COMMENTS

Henderson stated the Parks and Recreation Board has not yet had its monthly meeting. He stated Bike Fort Collins has its Tour de Fat volunteer celebration tomorrow evening and announced the Bike Prom for October 7th.

Dangerfield reported on attending the International Downtown Association's annual conference in Winnipeg, Canada.

Cranmer stated every Wednesday in September have been Bike to Campus days.

Houdashelt reported the Air Quality Advisory Board received presentations on the Eclimate economy and the implementation of the fugitive dust manual.

Beatty reported on the increasing senior population using bicycles.

Caldwell reported the Natural Resources Advisory Board received a presentation from the Planning Department.

York reported on the ribbon cutting for the Walk and Wheels Skills Hub and the Fort Collins Business Appreciation breakfast during which Governor Hickenlooper spoke.

8. ACTION ITEMS

None.

9. DISCUSSION/INFORMATIONAL ITEMS

Travel Behavior Survey Results – Iverson

Iverson stated the Travel Behavior Surveys were sent out in April to 7,600 households and 700 CSU students. The participation rate was about 7.1%. The survey involved two parts: the household survey and the trip diary, which had a paper version and an app version. Boardmembers discussed the use of paper versus the app with several members stating they prefer paper.

Iverson discussed the survey results which showed most trips taken by car in households and a wider variety of modes for CSU students. It was noted the CSU

students who were targeted for the survey live on campus.

Cranmer asked if multiple-occupant vehicles include minor children. Iverson replied in the affirmative.

Iverson discussed the results related to bike trips which showed 12% of respondents use bikes for commuting. Cranmer asked if the survey is valid enough to extrapolate that data to the entire city population. Iverson replied that may be a difficult extrapolation. Boardmembers discussed details of the survey results and what the frequency of the surveys should be.

York asked how the bicycling part of the survey correlates with the bicycle and pedestrian counts.

E-Bikes Follow-up Discussion and Next Steps – All

Caldwell reported he, Adams, and Houdashelt spoke before the Transportation Board at its last meeting. The Board liked the white paper and thought it was well constructed. They gave the BAC free reign to talk to other Boards of its own volition.

York stated the next logical step would be for the BAC to make formal presentations for the groups that control bike trails, the Natural Resources Advisory Board and the Parks and Recreation Board. The ultimate goal would be to have a better overall biking system that works for recreation and transportation.

Caldwell discussed the fact E-bikes bring up an inherent concern for safety; however, there seems to be support for a trial period.

York discussed the various methods of speed control, patrol and enforcement, and suggested guidelines.

Boardmembers discussed trail capacity and the potential effects of E-bikes on capacity. It was suggested each Board receiving a presentation participate in an E-bike demonstration.

Cranmer suggested Boards be approached requesting feedback rather than a recommendation at this point. A suggestion was made to have E-bike demonstrations at Open Streets events.

10. REPORTS

Staff Report

Sizemore reported on the last Open Streets event and stated it was very well attended. He also reported on the Walk and Wheels Skills Hub and Pitkin Bikeway ribbon cutting events. He stated the City Plan and Transportation Master Plan updates are getting underway.

York asked if the BAC will hear the bicycle pedestrian count presentation. Sizemore replied in the affirmative.

11. NEW BUSINESS/FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

None.

12. ADJOURN

The meeting adjourned at 7:52 p.m. by unanimous consent.