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BICYCLE AND PEDESTRIAN ADVISORY COMMITTEE
MINUTES
June 5, 2017

411 SW 9th Street, Redmond City Hall Conference Room 207, Redmond, Oregon

Committee Members Present: Chair David Swift, Vice-Chair Katie Hammer, Scott Bojanowski, Bill Braly, Fred Bray, Andrea Green, Donald Hundt (*absent:* Shirlee Evans, Hayes McCoy, Mike Ricketts; 1 vacancy)

Youth Ex Officio: Brook Hewitt

City Staff: Scott Woodford, *Senior Planner*; Mike Caccavano, *City Engineer*; Keith Witcosky, *City Manager*; Cameron Prow, *TYPE-Write II*

Visitors: Ginny McPherson, *City Council Liaison*

Media: None

(Agenda items appear in the order discussed. The 3 digits after a motion title show the number of committee members voting in favor/opposed/abstaining.)

CALL TO ORDER

Chair Swift called the regular meeting of the Redmond Bicycle and Pedestrian Advisory Committee (BPAC) to order at 4:03 p.m. with a quorum of members (6 of 9) present. Mr. Bray arrived at 4:14 p.m. after approval of the minutes.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

A. May 1, 2017

Motion 1 (6/0/0): Mr. Braly moved to approve the minutes of May 1, 2017. Ms. Hammer seconded the motion which passed unanimously.

ACTION ITEMS

B. None.

DISCUSSION ITEMS

C. Review Bike Map Draft

Mr. Woodford reported Charles Rucker e-mailed today he expected to complete the edits on Draft 2 later this week. Mr. Woodford will distribute Draft 2 electronically for BPAC comments prior to the next meeting. The goal is to distribute this map at summer events such as the Redmond Brewfest and the BBQ & Craft Spirits Fair.

D. Subcommittee Updates

1. **Safe Routes Draft Action Plans:** Mr. Woodford reported no change since the last meeting.

2. **Bike Corrals/Bike Repair Station:** Bike Corrals – Mr. Woodford said a location within the Deschutes Avenue Quiet Street section, next to Housing Works, was being considered. The new location has not yet been discussed with business owners. Bike Repair Station:

Mr. Woodford said the Centennial Park expansion task force will review comments received at the City's open house. A bike repair station is still included in the preliminary design but will have to be privately funded. He recapped cost research done by Mr. Bray and Ms. Green.

Ms. Green said neither of the two bike shops in Redmond were interested in funding a bike repair station at this time. She suggested waiting until the planning process was complete before talking to the bike shops again. Mr. Bray announced his intent to apply for a Cycle Oregon grant of \$1,500 (station, \$1,300; materials and installation, \$200). The application deadline is due in September 2017. He recommended installing this station closer to Deschutes Avenue.

BPAC discussion covered cost of materials/installation, potential locations, and when construction might start.

- 3. Marketing – Bike, Walk, and Roll Implementation:** Mr. Woodford reported meeting with Ms. Hammer and Ms. Hewitt. Ms. Hewitt discussed subcommittee plans for frequent posting of bike-related information (safety tips, activities) on BPAC's Facebook page. She is still working on the calendar. Mr. Woodford said the program Ms. Hewitt was using would post events automatically once the data was entered. *Next subcommittee meeting:* July 10, 2017.

BPAC suggestions included adding activities by bike shops, RORK (Redmond Oregon Running Klub), and Redmond Area Park and Recreation District.

- 4. Wayfinding/Bike Map:** Mr. Woodford said he met with Chuck Arnold, Economic Development/Urban Renewal Program Manager, and Troy Rayburn, Programs Assistant, about downtown wayfinding signage. Construction is expected to start in summer 2017. Annie McVay and the Parks Committee is looking at neighborhood signage to direct people to access points in the Dry Canyon. Mr. Woodford said the City would get a proposal from the downtown wayfinding signage consultant for the Dry Canyon. He discussed the City's desire for a cohesive look in wayfinding signage. Mr. Caccavano said the Dry Canyon signage would not look exactly like signage in other parts of town.
- 5. Deschutes Bike Boulevard Demonstration:** Mr. Caccavano reported meeting with Mr. Woodford; Mr. Arnold; and Rob Peters, Transportation Division Manager. Financing the segment of Deschutes Avenue that falls within the urban renewal district with urban renewal funds is being considered. More educational and wayfinding signage is needed. He spoke to Community Development Director Kate Porsche today about the possibility of getting a consultant involved with wayfinding signage. Traffic data indicate speeds and volumes on Deschutes Avenue are low. *New installation date:* September 1, before school starts.

Mr. Woodford said he would update Council about this project on June 12, 2017.

- 6. Redmond Streets Alive (Mr. Braly, Ms. Hammer):** Mr. Woodford said planning was underway to utilize the Deschutes Avenue "Quiet Street" section for a Bike, Walk, Roll event in 2019. The subcommittee is exploring the potential to hold the Redmond Streets Alive event on the same day as the Redmond Streets Fair in hopes of drawing a larger crowd. The subcommittee would like to work with Brian Potwin, Commute Options, through the first year, due to his prior experience with this type of event.

E. Walking & Biking Events – Ideas

Mr. Woodford discussed ideas he picked up at the Oregon Heritage Conference. Klamath Falls has combined history events with biking and walking events as a way to bring its museum out to

the people. He explained how BPAC and the Redmond Historic Landmarks Commission could do something similar in conjunction with opening of the Homestead Canal Trail. He asked BPAC to e-mail ideas for other events the City might pursue.

BPAC members discussed the potential of guided walking tours like those in Boston, Massachusetts, if Redmond history was included in the school curriculum, and how the Homestead Trail was named (goes through the original homestead of Frank and Josephine Redmond).

Ms. McPherson said she had conducted “Wandering Redmond” tours on art history and Redmond history for Redmond Proficiency Academy students.

Mr. Caccavano asked if COID (Central Oregon Irrigation District) with its historic designation had to do an educational component. Mr. Woodford said he would pursue COID involvement.

CITIZEN COMMENTS

None.

COMMITTEE COMMENTS

Mr. Bray recapped a Bike to School event he led on May 10, 2017. Following a brief talk about safety, 40 kids plus parents and teachers rode 1½ miles from Quince Park to school and 30 kids rode back to Quince Park after school. This event was promoted on the school website, with teachers, and his own flyers. The weather was great and everyone had a good time.

Mr. Braly announced Redmond Public Works Department was being honored for its efforts to push forward the biking agenda in Redmond. He invited Mr. Caccavano and Redmond BPAC members to attend the annual award ceremony on June 21, 2017, 10 a.m., County Commission chambers in Bend, Oregon. He noted Ms. Hammer had been appointed as a new member of the County BPAC.

Ms. Hewitt reported “bike boxes” were included in the Oregon Driver’s Manual.

STAFF COMMENTS

Project Updates

- **Hot Oil Chip Seal Work:** Mr. Caccavano presented a May 30, 2017, news release. Chip-sealing started today (June 5) and will run through June 7. The City is working with Deschutes County. He reviewed the list of street closures, events, and delays and said an interactive map was posted on the City website. Striping will be done in two weeks. An Oregon State University team drove NE 9th Street (Hemlock Avenue to Negus Way) today to evaluate signage, striping, and traffic control and suggested a change in bike lane alignment. The City’s five-year plan included rebuilding this section of NE 9th Street, so the realignment could take place at that time. He summarized the City’s chip-seal process.

BPAC discussion covered life span of the chip-seal process, helpfulness of posting street closures on City website and Facebook, cyclist and pedestrian safety (poor line-of-sight on Antler Avenue due to cars, camper, and garbage cans occupying the bike lane and vehicle parking situation in the bike lane along 23rd Street), expected completion date of Dogwood Avenue reconstruction, potential to use Dogwood as a “quiet street,” and two sections of the new sidewalk between 35th and 27th Streets (along a new subdivision) raised up to a point.

Mr. Caccavano responded to BPAC concerns. Construction on Dogwood should be done by the end of June 2017. Near the end of the meeting he informed BPAC the Police Department was dispatching someone to check out the bike lane interference on Antler.

- **4th Street:** Mr. Caccavano discussed “quiet street” design concepts; the design is expected to be finished by summer 2018. Challenges to this project include speeding motorists and cut-through traffic. Speed and traffic volume data will be available by the July meeting. The Fire Department had good comments about parking and moving semis back from intersections.

Mr. Woodford suggested adding street trees to help beautify this corridor.

- **Homestead Trail:** Mr. Caccavano said the City is working on the final design and easements. ODOT (Oregon Department of Transportation) had a lot of input, particularly on Larch Avenue where traffic comes in/out of the hospital. A rectangular rapid-flashing beacon will be installed at the Kalama Avenue crossing. This project is expected to go out to bid in early fall 2017. Paving should begin in 2018.
- **15th Street** (Highland Avenue to Obsidian Avenue): Mr. Caccavano outlined what he and Mr. Woodford have been doing. This project is expected to go to bid in winter 2017-2018.
- **Dry Canyon Trail:** Mr. Caccavano reported removal of expansion joints. He reported mostly positive comments on Facebook and one negative comment about wasting money on trails.

BPAC concerns included potentially higher bike speeds without the expansion joints, conflicts between trail users, and users oblivious to their surroundings (cell phones, headphones). Suggested remedies: stenciling a 15 mile-per-hour speed limit and “Stay Right” instructions on the trail surface and educating people to be considerate and stay aware of other trail users.

- **Training:** He and Mr. Hayes will attend a bike conference (rural bike networks) in Bend, Oregon, on June 6, 2017. He will update BPAC at the July meeting.
- **South Highway 97:** Mr. Woodford announced the corridor project between the south urban growth boundary and Highland Avenue was starting again. The second phase of Redmond’s bypass is unlikely to happen, so ODOT’s goal is to improve access, safety, bike and pedestrian mobility along this corridor. He invited BPAC members to participate in the City’s stakeholder and citizen committees. A website will be created to provide project updates.

Following discussion, BPAC members decided to move the July meeting date from the 3rd to the 11th, hold the August 7 meeting as scheduled, and skip the September meeting.

Next meeting: Monday, July 11, 2017, 4 p.m.

ADJOURN

With no further business, Chair Swift adjourned the meeting at 5:10 p.m.

APPROVED by the Redmond Bicycle and Pedestrian Advisory Committee and SIGNED by me this 6th day of November, 2017.

ATTEST:

/s/ David Swift
 David Swift
 Chair

/s/ Scott Woodford
 Scott Woodford
 Senior Planner