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BICYCLE AND PEDESTRIAN ADVISORY COMMITTEE
MINUTES

November 6, 2017

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

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

Youth Ex Officio: Brook Hewitt

City Staff: Scott Woodford, *Senior Planner*; Chief Dave Tarbet and Lt. Curtis Chambers, *Police Department*; Jason Neff, *Budget Manager*; 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 4:02 p.m. with a quorum of members (7 of 10) present. He noted Mr. Hundt was still in the hospital but was expecting to be released on November 7. Mr. McCoy arrived at 4:08 p.m.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

None. Ms. Prow stated the June 5 and August 7, 2017, minutes listed on today's agenda were approved at the October 16 meeting.

ACTION ITEMS

None.

DISCUSSION ITEMS

A. Police Fee Presentation

Lt. Chambers acknowledged assistance from other City staff in preparing the PowerPoint presentation. He discussed the Police Department's need for additional funding to maintain and improve operations. His discussion covered the background, crime and workload statistics, staffing levels, call types, service area boundary and population, and 2017 community survey results. The vision is to make Redmond the safest community in Oregon.

Mr. Neff discussed the City budget process, how the proposed \$6-per-month fee compared to those in 13 other Oregon communities, how it would be collected (on the City utility bill), and how it would be allocated in the budget (dedicated to the Police Fund).

Lt. Chambers explained how the community would benefit from the proposed public safety fee, public outreach plans, and next steps in the review process. He invited members to attend the townhall meeting on November 13, 2017, 5:30 p.m., and any City Council meeting to share their views as citizens. He asked members to fill out and return the comment cards and said BPAC feedback would be shared with Council in December 2017. He asked that BPAC questions for him following this meeting be sent to Mr. Woodford.

BPAC comments about the public safety initiative covered why the fee amount wouldn't be submitted to voters (levy or higher property taxes), impact of the new fee on lower-income citizens, fee collection boundary (city limits), if builders would pay an extra fee, restricting the fee amount from increasing for a certain period of time, option to overpay the \$6/month amount, pre-recession staffing level, and impact of more property tax revenue due to population growth. Additional concerns included the process for returning stolen bikes to their owners, if national registries of stolen bicycles help, impact of summer bike patrols in the Dry Canyon and if those would continue.

B. Bicycle and Pedestrian Wayfinding Signage

Mr. Woodford presented the staff report which contained design options from October 20, 2017. The City hired AMBROSINI design, the same firm used for vehicle wayfinding signage. Funding partners for this project included the Redmond Urban Renewal Agency and the Parks Department.

Mr. Braly and Mr. Bray, subcommittee members, referenced design ideas developed prior to the City hiring a consultant, advantages to the Option 1 design concept, and potential sites (Dry Canyon access points).

BPAC concerns included siting criteria (frequency, number, priority locations), materials (cedar vs. metal), advantages to wraparound metal signs (harder to vandalize), budget (phased implementation), sign content by type ("quiet streets," regular streets, main trails, language), colors (earth tones in the Dry Canyon, brighter colors elsewhere, fading potential), size, using phone "apps" instead of physical signs, and signage purpose (help visitors and new residents).

Straw Poll 1: Six BPAC members favored Color Option A, one member preferred Color Option B, and one member abstained.

Following discussion, BPAC members agreed by consensus that colors and font selections for the main trail signs should be consistent with those approved for the Dry Canyon. BPAC members directed the subcommittee to meet again, get input from Parks staff (Annie McVay and/or Curt Petersen), and present BPAC with two possibilities for street signs and a clear recommendation.

C. 2017-18 Work Plan Check-In

Mr. Woodford reviewed progress on actions under the Infrastructure Improvements strategy.

BPAC concerns included the goal and timing of implementing a "quiet street" project and using bike racks already in place to "corral" bike parking and make it more visible.

Due to lack of time, Chair Swift tabled further discussion on this topic to the November meeting.

CITIZEN COMMENTS

None.

