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**BICYCLE AND PEDESTRIAN ADVISORY COMMITTEE**  
**MINUTES**

**December 7, 2015**

City Hall Conference Room A, 716 SW Evergreen Avenue, Redmond, Oregon

**Commissioners Present:** Chair William Hilton, Vice-Chair Bill Braly, Fred Bray, Sharon Carrell, Shirlee Evans, Andrea Green, Katie Hammer, Karen Hermanek, Rand Hill, David Swift (*absent: Mike Ricketts*)

**City Staff:** Heather Richards, *Community Development Director*; Deborah McMahon, *Principal Planner*; Ginny McPherson, *Assistant Project/Program Coordinator*; Scott Woodford, *Associate Planner*; Mike Caccavano, *City Engineer*; Annie McVay, *Parks and Public Works Administration Divisions Manager*; Cameron Prow, *TYPE-Write II*

**Council Liaison:** None assigned

**Visitors:** Chad Sperry, *Breakaway Promotions*; James Cook

**Media:** None

*(The 3 digits after a motion title show the number of members voting in favor/opposed/abstaining.)*

**CALL TO ORDER**

Chair Hilton opened the meeting at 4:03 p.m. with a quorum of members (10 of 11) present.

**CITIZEN COMMENTS**

None.

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

None.

**DISCUSSION ITEMS**

C. Chad Sperry with Breakaway Promotions to Speak on Biking Events

Mr. Sperry summarized his experience in event management (Cascade Cycling Classic, 9 years) and outlined community assets (roads, lodging, restaurants, user-friendly municipality, tourism readiness) needed to assure successful events. Factors a community should consider in planning events included compatibility, desired demographic, economic impacts (primary, secondary), willingness of City departments to work with event promoters, and advantages Redmond had to offer (proximity to rural roads, access to scenic bike routes, better weather, less traffic). His company is currently scoping a road bike event for late April 2016. Information is available at the company's website: [www.breakawaypromotions.com](http://www.breakawaypromotions.com).

BPAC concerns included level of attendance at cycling events in/through Redmond, desirable events, winter mountain biking events, and adding Redmond to the cyclecross calendar.

A. Update on 15<sup>th</sup> Street Bike/Ped Demonstration Project

Mr. Woodford reviewed the results of a neighborhood meeting about the proposed two-way multi-use path concept for 15<sup>th</sup> Street between Highland and Deschutes Avenues. Residents' concerns included narrower traffic lanes along the primary access route to Hope Playground, confusion about two-way cycle traffic, loss of on-street parking, speeding, cut-through traffic, and stop sign running. Most residents supported sidewalks as long as these did not go through their fences and landscaping in the right-of-way. He requested BPAC feedback on this proposal and/or another approach to present to Council and the public in January 2016.

Mr. Caccavano discussed the results of staff research into what other cities do. References included the National Association of City Transportation Officials *Urban Bikeway Design Guide*, Oregon Department of Transportation *Bicycle and Pedestrian Design Guide*, and Washington County *Bicycle Facility Design Toolkit*. The City is looking for a solution to meet the needs of the widest array of users while making 15<sup>th</sup> Street safer for existing users. He reviewed the draft plan for the 15<sup>th</sup> Street corridor and suggested ways to reduce residents' concerns.

BPAC concerns covered effectiveness of a 20-foot-wide intersection in slowing traffic, bike path (appropriate location, width, materials), need to educate motorists about sharing the road with bike riders, cyclist safety, slowing traffic, appropriate use of a minor collector street, length of the proposed bike boulevard, connecting safe segments within the corridor, can't please everyone all the time, appropriate safety treatments, bike boulevards in other communities, homeowner view of property values vs. bike facility improvements, better signage if sharrows are used, and better design of the 3-way intersection at the access to Sam Johnson Park.

**Straw Poll 1:** *Should the bike boulevard demonstration project on 15<sup>th</sup> Street include sharrows and better signage?* YES – 9; NO – 1.

**Straw Poll 2:** *Should the proposed bike boulevard on 15<sup>th</sup> Street include curb extensions, raised crosswalks, and sidewalks?* YES – 10.

Following further discussion, BPAC members recommended the City not move forward with the proposed demonstration project on 15<sup>th</sup> Street.

B. Trail Amenities Plan

Mr. Woodford recapped prior discussions and subcommittee work on this plan including changes recommended by BPAC. Amenities in the Dry Canyon are addressed in the Dry Canyon Master Plan, not in this one.

BPAC discussion covered the intent of this plan, adding ash receptacles since smoking is allowed in public parks, omitting the Estimated Trail Costs table on Page 22, adding “years” to the estimated cost of other amenities, changing “Trail Construction Standards” to “Trail Construction Guidelines,” and working with the Redmond Parks Committee to develop trail design standards.

Ms. Richards recommended that BPAC work on trail design standards separately through a subcommittee.

**Motion 1** (10/0/0): Ms. Evans moved to recommend the Trails Amenities Plan as amended to remove specific trail costs be forwarded to the Parks Committee. Mr. Swift seconded the motion which passed unanimously.

**COUNCIL LIAISON COMMENTS**

None. Ms. Richards reported staff were still working to get a Council liaison assigned.

**COMMITTEE COMMENTS**

Chair Hilton discussed ideas under study by the Deschutes County Bicycle and Pedestrian Advisory Committee. He suggested BPAC study and implement guidelines regarding letters of recommendation, invite Redmond Police Department to assign a liaison to attend BPAC meetings, and reach out to community organizations.

Following discussion, BPAC members generally agreed to letters of recommendation guidelines and establishing a relationship with the Redmond Police Department. BPAC concerns about community outreach included who would speak for BPAC.

Ms. Richards suggested inviting someone from the Redmond Police Department to attend a BPAC workshop before assignment of a permanent liaison.

Ms. Evans shared copies of the Redmond Parks Foundation’s newest Dry Canyon trail map.

Mr. Buckley-Noonan announced this was his last meeting as he was resigning to attend college. He said the daughter of Redmond Proficiency Academy’s principal had indicated to him that she was interested in this committee. Ms. Richards outlined the application process. Ms. Green asked if the meeting time needed to be changed to better accommodate student schedules.

BPAC members thanked Mr. Buckley-Noonan for his service to BPAC and the Redmond community.

**STAFF COMMENTS**

Next meeting: Monday, January 4, 2016, 4 p.m.

**ADJOURN**

With no further business, Chair Hilton adjourned the meeting at 5:53 p.m.

APPROVED by Redmond Bicycle and Pedestrian Advisory Committee and SIGNED by me this  
\_\_\_\_ 14th \_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_ April \_\_\_\_\_, 2016.

ATTEST:

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/s/ David Swift  
David Swift  
Chair

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/s/ Heather Richards  
Heather Richards  
Community Development Director