



MINUTES
City of Flagstaff
BICYCLE ADVISORY COMMITTEE

Thursday, February 6, 2014
4:30 pm

City Hall, Staff Conference Room
211 West Aspen Avenue, Flagstaff, Arizona

CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order at 4:30 pm. On roll call, the following Committee members were present:

Ken Lane, Chair
Dave Blanchard
Richard Hall
Jodi Norris
Jeff Stevenson

Members absent:

None

Two vacancies

The following City staff was present:

Martin Ince, Multi-Modal Planner

Public present:

Chris Ives
Jannelie Kloosterman
Nick Sheehan
Sharon Tewksbury-Bloom
Ed White

I. PRELIMINARY GENERAL BUSINESS

1. Announcements

There were no Announcements.

2. Public Comment

There was no Public Comment.

3. Approval of Minutes

Ms. Norris made, and Mr. Hall seconded, a motion to approve the minutes of the regular meeting of November 7, 2013. The motion was approved unanimously (5-0).

II. NEW BUSINESS

1. Bikeways plan

Mr. Ince made a presentation regarding the inventory of existing bike lanes and shoulders, plans for completing bikeways and other facilities, and opportunities through the citizen review committee and a potential bond project for street maintenance.

The Committee discussed the information and had a number of comments and questions:

- The functional class of a street is typically used to determine where bike lanes are located; however not all minor collectors have or need bike lanes. Other factors must also be considered to determine if bike lanes would be beneficial or necessary
- Traffic volume and speed are both significant in determining cyclists' comfort level on a given roadway
- Bicycling is allowed on interstate highways; however there was some discussion about whether interstates should be included in an inventory of bikeways
- The list of corrections should be prioritized according to which result in the most crashes
- When alternative routes are necessary, signing and other information would be helpful for cyclists
- In cases where there are existing shoulders, most should be considered for conversion to formal bike lanes through pavement markings and signing. When vehicles are parked along shoulder, bicyclists are forced into the roadway
- There was discussion about the role on FUTS versus on-street bikeways
- At some T intersections, like Arrowhead and Route 66, there is an option for bicyclists to go straight ahead to get to the FUTS trail on the south side of Route 66; however there is no accommodation in the intersection for bicyclists going straight
- In some cases, bicycle-specific signals would be warranted and beneficial

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- There are a number of single-track trails used for commuting – the Observatory Mesa Trail and the Highland Trail to Kachina Village are examples – although they are not ideal commuting facilities for all cyclists, their role should be acknowledged in the plan
- There was a question about the correlation between street condition (OCI) and functional class or volume

III. OLD BUSINESS

1. Bicycle parking inventory and strategies

This item was not discussed.

2. City property inventory – follow-up

This item was not discussed.

3. Green bike lanes through intersections on Beaver Street

This item was not discussed.

IV. CONCLUDING GENERAL BUSINESS

1. Reports

There was no discussion on the Reports.

2. Concluding Announcements

There were no Concluding Announcements.

V. ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned at 6:05 pm.