Tulsa Bicycle and Pedestrian Advisory Committee Minutes

February 1, 2018

Location: Growing Tulsa Together 18 S. Lewis Tulsa, OK 74104

Members Present	Institutional Advisors Present		Guests Present
Mitch Drummond	Philip Berry	COT Planning	Adrian Blanco
Ken Graham	Braden Cale	ODOT	Kara Joy McKee
Sarah Kobos	Nick Doctor	COT Mayor's Office	Elaine Meek
Nathan Leigh	John Hagy	Tulsa Hub	
Larry Mitchell	Luisa Krug	Tulsa Health Dept	
Adam Vandenburg	Chase Phillips	INCOG	
Lauren Wagner	Tim Stendel	COT Police Dept	
J.D. Walker	Jane Ziegler	INCOG	
Members Absent	Institutional Advisors Absent		
None	Matt Liechti	COT Engineering Services	
	Gary Percefull	Tulsa Public Schools	
	Lisa Simpson	COT Engineering / Traffic	
	Daniel Sperle	Tulsa BikeShare	
	Robert Swain	TPS Chief of Law Enforcement	

The meeting was called to order by chairman, Larry Mitchell at 6:10 PM. A quorum was present.

Minutes from the January 2018 meeting were approved.

Cop Land Classic: Tim Stendel provided information about the Cop Land Classic bike ride to be held Saturday, May 19th. Benefits the Tulsa Police Officers' Memorial. Ride starts at 8:00 AM at the Police Academy, 6066 E 66th St North. https://coplandclassic.racedirector.com. BPAC will decide if we want to have a table at the event.

Owasso street-widening project: Ken Graham and Jane Ziegler attended a public meeting in Owasso related to an upcoming street-widening project on 116th North. The plan calls for painted bike lanes, a 5-foot wide sidewalk and 8-foot wide multi-use path.

Larry Mitchell mentioned that it might be a good idea for BPAC to help other communities in the region start their own Bicycle Pedestrian Advisory Committees.

Metropolitan Tulsa Transit Authority: Larry Mitchell said that Tulsa Transit is asking for a BPAC citizen rep to serve on an advisory committee to provide input as MTTA develops a Comprehensive Operations Analysis of the transit system. There will be three meetings. The first is on February 28 at 10 am (location TBA). The other meetings will be held in May and July. Interested Citizen Members can talk to Larry or send an email.

Kara Joy McKee, candidate for Tulsa City Council District 4, gave a presentation on her ideas for active transportation in Tulsa, and the importance of making Tulsa safe for all modes of transportation.

Nick Doctor discussed the 11th street bike lane proposals and the 11th Street Corridor Focus Group. The only concern is the half mile between Utica and Peoria, and how to accommodate bike lanes, on-street parking, travel lanes and a center turn lane. If you have bike lanes here, there's no room for parallel parking on both sides of the street, which the businesses want. One option is to jog the bike lane south to 13th and use St Louis Ave to connect bike lanes on both 15th and 11th.

Jane Ziegler commented that the whole reason to have bike lanes is to get to the commercial places. If you relegate bike lanes to other streets, it sends the message that we don't want bikes there.

Nathan Leigh suggested limiting the center turn lanes to areas near the major intersections, which would allow room for bike lanes and parallel parking. Leigh will provide details about this alternative approach. The Implementation sub-committee can meet to iron out details, if needed.

Phillip Berry, COT Planning, announced that the latest copy of the Landscaping Ordinance is online and available for public comment.

Advocacy: Sarah Kobos presented the recommendations from BPAC's sub-committee on the proposed Subdivision Regulations. Jane Ziegler asked that we be sure to name the GoPlan in the Trails section. With the GoPlan language added, the document was approved by consensus. Sarah will send the BPAC recommendations and supporting documentation to INCOG and will present at the TMAPC public hearing on February 7. BPAC members are encouraged to attend and show their support.

Braden Cale, ODOT, gave a report about the TAP (Transportation Alternatives Program) funds. Oklahoma received \$50 million. Half of that goes to active transportation. ODOT reallocates up to 50% of funds. The ADA fund gets \$10 million.

Oklahoma has a 30-year plan to make every intersection along the state highway system ADA compliant. You can see every intersection and see when it will be repaired using the ODOT GIS portal. Access from www.ok.gov/odot and click the link for "Master Roadway and Bridge Viewer." This site includes a lot of helpful information about streets, bridges and highways.

ODOT is working on a statewide bike/pedestrian survey to be distributed in late May. Larry sent out a preview. The goal is to reach people who don't walk and bike to find out why. This will help set the groundwork for establishing our long-range plan.

Pedestrian/Accessibility: Mitch Drummond reported that the sub-committee for the City Councilor Engagement (Ride/Walks) met on 1/18/18. Drummond presented goals and objectives and draft language for the invitations we'll be sending out. The sub-committee will meet again this month, to finalize plans.

Drummond also reported that Jane Ziegler is collecting information for a Walk Friendly Communities application.

Adam Vandenburg said he's expecting to see Wallace Engineering get certified as a Bike Friendly Businesses very soon. Also, they are honing in on dates for a League Certified Instructor class in Tulsa.

INCOG update: Jane Ziegler reported on Tulsa's application to be a Silver Bike Friendly Community. Incorrect numbers were submitted in Tulsa's application. This made Tulsa look very unfavorable with

regards to fatalities and crashes. Ziegler has been in communication w/ ABL to correct these figures. We're still Bronze.

Ziegler had a meeting with ODOT to find out where ODOT plans overlap with the GoPlan. They discussed the need for signage to tell drivers when there's a bike crossing or bike route ahead. Randle White (ODOT Division 8 engineer) is open to the idea. Ziegler asked BPAC to look for examples of signage that other states are using.

The OU Urban Design Studio is hosting a placemaking event at Chapman Green (downtown at 6th and Main) on March 23rd. This will include a pop-up farmers market and other activities. Contact Sean Schafer if BPAC would like to have a booth or be involved in any way. Jane can provide Sean's email address.

Louisa Krug said there will be a meeting to discuss Traffic Calming projects on Monday, 2/5/18 at Hodges Bend at 5:30 PM. She will send out an invite to anyone who wants to participate.

Nick Doctor said that 3rd street will be striped sometime in March or April. Nathan Leigh said he has seen designs and has been in contact with Lisa Simpson.

New Business:

Sarah Kobos said that she has reported two missing ADA ramps. They were immediately addressed by Brent Stout at the City of Tulsa.

Next meeting: March 1, 2018 at 6:00 PM.