

Tulsa Bicycle and Pedestrian Advisory Committee Minutes

April 5, 2018

Location: Growing Together Tulsa - 18 S. Lewis Ave.

Members Present	Institutional Advisors Present	Guests Present
Mitch Drummond Ken Graham Sarah Kobos Nathan Leigh Larry Mitchell J.D. Walker	Philip Berry COT Planning Arianna Harmon Tulsa Hub Kurt Kraft COT Traffic Operations Gary Percefull TPS Glen Sams COT Shelby Templin ODOT Jane Ziegler INCOG	Kim Macleod Elaine Meek Kolby Webster Daniel Regan
Members Absent	Institutional Advisors Absent	
Adam Vandenburg Lauren Wagner	Bruce Dart Tulsa Health Dept Nick Doctor COT – Mayor’s Office Daniel Sperle Tulsa BikeShare Tim Stendel Tulsa Police Dept Robert Swain TPS Chief of Law Enforcement	

The meeting was called to order by chairman, Larry Mitchell. A quorum was present.

The minutes of the March meeting were approved.

Mitchell said that BPAC will host a booth at the Copland Classic bike ride on May 19 from 10:00 AM to 4:00 PM. A sign-up sheet was passed around so volunteers could sign up for a time slot.

Arianna Harmon provided an update on the Tulsa Hub Spokeasy event which will be held April 14, from 6-10 PM. The Hub is raising money for Leaders on Bikes (summer youth academy for 7th to 12th graders). Leaders on Bikes will be held at TSAS, June 11-15 from 8:30 AM to 4:00 PM daily.

Larry Mitchel mentioned that Smart Growth Tulsa is putting together a City Council Candidate Questionnaire, and BPAC has been asked to contribute some questions. Larry will send out an email to let us respond with our thoughts related to active transportation questions.

District 4 candidate Daniel Regan discussed his platform related to active transportation topics.

Glen Sams presented information about the Garver Engineering contract for projects being funded through the Improve Our Tulsa program. Garver will provide design services for list provided and prepare the bid packages. The plan is to split the work into separate bidding packages to help speed up project delivery.

Kim Marsh-MacLeod (COT Communications) discussed plans for the GOPlan media campaign. The City has some funding from the OK Highway Safety Office. They would like to use the BikeWalkTulsa domain. The city will have a website with rules of the road and link to our partners. They are currently planning a media event on May 10 @ 1:30. Asking organizations like Bike Club, Tulsa Hub, and BPAC to participate. The topic will be bicycle and pedestrian safety.

Shelby Templin is our new ODOT bike/ped coordinator (by end of the year, she will be 100% dedicated to bike/ped). Templin has a Masters in Regional / City Planning from OU with an emphasis in Transportation Planning.

There will be a statewide ODOT BPAC meeting at the Central Office on April 25th during the day. Considering future evening meetings to get more representation. She'll send out the agenda to Larry. Please attend if you can. Larry and Ken are planning to attend.

ODOT Just got a \$100k grant for research on a statewide bike/ped plan. The goal is to identify priorities and help get funding on infrastructure projects.

If we need info about any TAP projects, reach out to Shelby and she can help get more info.

ODOT has 5 new Eco-Counter PYRO Boxes (bike/ped) counters and 3 tube counters (bikes). The goal is to rent them out to the Metropolitan Planning Organizations (eg: INCOG). They should be ready by September for one-year rentals to MPOs. The MPO can then lend them out to any of the cities within their metropolitan region. Goal is to have them on streets to count commuters. If they work well, ODOT will buy more of them.

To see an example, Riverparks has one by the main hiking trailhead at Turkey Mountain.

Ken Graham reported on BikeOK. They're planning to hold meetings every other month, and will host in different locations, so not all meetings are in OKC. Next meeting is May 6 in Stillwater. They want to add people to the board and expand representation throughout the state.

The Osage Prairie Trail has been cleaned up. Trail has been extended a couple more miles north of the city park in Skaitook. Per Jane Ziegler, the trail will be extended to the Tulsa/Osage County line.

Philip Berry discussed Feedback Tulsa, which is an online tool used by the Planning Department to do surveys and gather public input. BPAC can use it if we want to do a survey.

Jane Ziegler gave the INCOG update:

For information about the Arena District Master Plan, go to www.cityoftulsa.org/arenadistrict. The first public workshop for the Arena District Master Plan will be Wednesday, May 9 from 5 to 7:30 PM in the Central Library Aaronson Auditorium.

Bike Month updates:

INCOG will print out posters a give to businesses to advertise Bike Month. Local news outlets are planning stories on bikes for health and transportation. COT will hold a press conference for Bike Walk Tulsa. Tulsa Bikeshare will do a press release for their launch.

Bike Month Events:

- May 5 – Tour de Tulsa
- May 10 – Rollout of Bike Walk Tulsa
- May 12 – Ride on Osage trail
- May 13 – CycloFemme ride on mother's day
- May 19 – Copland Classic
- May 24 – Bike Share launch

Nathan Leigh reported on the Grocery Ride April 14th at 10:00 AM. Meet at All Souls. The idea is to show people some of the different equipment you can use to bike to the store and shop by bike. Hope to do another one in May. Ultimately, different groups could host these in different neighborhoods around town and get neighbors thinking about biking to local stores.

Leigh also posted a presentation on slack with some information about sharrows and safety. NACTO recommends them on low speed, low volume streets. It's not really infrastructure, it's just signage. It helps cars give a bit more passing space.

BPAC provided guidance on when sharrows are appropriate. Nathan posted it on Slack on the #sharrow discussion channel. Jane mentioned that INCOG has a different perspective on one of the paragraphs. Everyone needs to review and then Jane and Larry and Nathan can meet to discuss.

Mitch Drummond gave an update on meetings with City Councilors. Chase, Paulina and Isaiah have provided data about various transportation users:

- Workers who don't own a car

- Where people are using a transportation method other than a car to get to work

- Info on the number of people who ride bikes, and walk either recreationally or otherwise along with income data

Need to put together a customized flier for each city councilor based on the issues and needs of each district. We'll start with Blake Ewing, Dist 4. Anna America of Dist 7 is next.

Sarah Kobos provided information about a proposed amendment to the zoning code that would increase the maximum allowed width of residential driveways in the ROW and eliminate maximum widths within the front yard of the lot. Kobos will draft an opposition letter and send to BPAC citizen members via email for approval. If approved, we'll forward to the TMAPC.

Meeting adjourned.

Next meeting: May 3, 2018 at 6:00 PM.