

Minutes of the Bicycle/Pedestrian Advisory Committee

Thursday, April 4, 2019 6:00 p.m. Fire Alarm Building

Citizen Representatives

Present

Mitch Drummond
Ken Graham
Sarah Kobos
Nathan Leigh
Elaine Meek
Larry Mitchell
Adam Vanderburg
Lauren Wagner
J.D. Walker
Kolby Webster

Absent

None.

Institutional Advisor Representatives

Present

Isaiah Persson, Tulsa Health Dept.
John Tankard, Tulsa Planning Office
Alana Tipton, Tulsa Bike Share
Jane Ziegler, INCOG

Absent

Nick Doctor, City of Tulsa
Kurt Kraft, City of Tulsa Traffic
Brian Kurtz, Downtown Coord. Council
Brent Stout, City of Tulsa Engineering Svcs.
Tim Stendel, Tulsa Police Dept.
Matt Liechti, City of Tulsa Engineering Svcs.
Stephen Noel-Place, Tulsa Hub
Gary Percefull, Tulsa Public Schools
Chase Phillips, INCOG
Robert Swain, TPS Law Enforcement
Shelby Tempin, ODOT
Paulina Baeza, INCOG
Emma Oakes, Tulsa Planning Office

Guests

Peter Som de Cerff
Brendan Hill
Jake Landy
Philip Forrich

Call to Order

Drummond called the meeting to order at 6:03 p.m. The attendees introduced themselves.

INCOG Updates

Jane Ziegler reported the following:

May Bike Month Events.

- Bike Month posters are being distributed to businesses again this year.
- INCOG will have the pedestrian fatality exhibit and one of the new bike racks at TYPros Art Alley on April 27.

- INCOG will be a sponsor of the Tour de Tulsa on May 4.
- Mayor Bynum will speak at a press event wrapping up Bike Month on May 30 in a location to be determined in East Tulsa.
- INCOG is partnering with TYPros to present the film *Bicycle Revolution*. The bike safety mural sponsored by INCOG by artist Jake Beeson will be unveiled on the back of the Fair Fellow Coffee building in Kendall Whittier sometime in May.
- INCOG will have a tent at Mayfest May 12-19 and will distribute Bike/Walk Tulsa materials. The pedestrian fatality exhibit will also be displayed at Mayfest.

State Legislation.

- SB445 is dead because it could not get a hearing in the Senate Public Safety Committee.
- HB2453 passed the House but did not receive a hearing in the Senate Public Safety Committee.
- HB2454 (“dead red”) passed in the House and in the Senate Public Safety Committee and now must be scheduled for a floor vote in the Senate. Ziegler asked members to call or write their state senators and ask them to support the bill.

Police Training. INCOG is funding CLEET-certified titled “Title 47: A New Perspective” for officers in the Tulsa Police Department and other law enforcement agencies statewide.

NCUTCD Proposals Approved. Ziegler reviewed changes expected in the upcoming edition of MUTCD.

Northwest Arkansas Visit. INCOG hosted a visit by 30 representatives of area businesses, not-for-profits, and governmental agencies to Bentonville, Arkansas, to study the effects of that community’s investment in off-road trails.

County-wide Trail Branding RFP. INCOG issued an RFP for proposals for a regional trail branding and signage design guideline manual. Proposals are due April 19. A representative from BPAC will be invited to sit on the steering committee.

Approval of the Minutes

The minutes of the meeting of March 7, 2019, were approved with corrections by consensus.

Committee Member Re-appointments

Drummond explained that citizen representatives serve two-year terms and may request reappointment at the end of each term. The following citizen representatives’ terms expired recently or will expire this month: Mitch Drummond, Ken Graham, Lauren Wagner, and Adam Vanderburg. Each of them has requested appointment to another two-year term. A committee consisting of Drummond, Mitchell and Leigh recommend Wagner, Graham and Vanderburg for reappointment. A committee consisting of Mitchell, Wagner and Leigh recommend Drummond for reappointment. Drummond, Graham, Wagner and Vanderburg were reappointed by consensus. Ziegler indicated INCOG’s approval of the reappointments. Wagner will make formal notification to INCOG per the bylaws.

Wagner proposed that in the future, citizen members be reappointed to terms of up to two years with all terms expiring on December 31. This will require the Committee to renew reappointments only once at year at the December meeting, rather than throughout the year as they expire. The proposal was approved by consensus. The Committee declined to revise the bylaws.

Outreach and Advocacy

Bikes of Wrath. Webster invited members to attend *Bikes of Wrath* at Circle Cinema on April 14. Graham and Mitchell announced that they will lead a ride to the showing departing at 1:00 p.m. from Tom's Bicycles on 11th Street.

Motherload. Webster suggested that the *Motherload* documentary about cargo bike culture could be shown at Circle Cinema and paired with a panel or event.

Pearl District History Video. Webster asked for Pearl District masterplan images for his planned short Now This video. Tankard offered assistance.

Don't Block the Buffer Windshield Note. Kobos shared a prototype windshield note reminding drivers not to park in the bike lane buffer. The members liked the idea and the friendly tone. Webster will create it in a "band flyer" format and include a QR code to Bike/Walk Tulsa information on the web.

Media Relations. Drummond explained that he connected with journalists from three television stations at a recent race on Turkey Mountain. He contributed to a story on bicycle and pedestrian issues for Channel 6 which has not yet aired. He will stay in contact with the journalists as conversations for the upcoming bond issue continue.

Art Alley. The members developed plans for BPAC's presence at TYPros' Art Alley event on April 27. Wagner will show her yarn bike. Drummond and Meek will organize a "color your bike" station for kids. Drummond will contact TYPros to reserve a space. Kolby will show trick bikes and art from Tulsa Hub.

Tulsa Tough. The members agreed to plan a booth and/or event for Tulsa Tough.

Infrastructure

The next Infrastructure Committee meeting will be April 15, 2019, at Drummond's office.

2019 Bond Requests

Leigh shared a proposed funding structure for the Improve Our Tulsa Bond package which was distributed at a March meeting of the Brookside Neighborhood Association.

Drummond shared an action plan for getting bicycle and pedestrian needs addressed in the upcoming bond issue. He asked each member to commit to the following:

- Attend two of the five Improve Our Tulsa Town Hall meetings scheduled between April 9 and May 13.
- Plan to speak at least one of the meetings.
- Bring friends to the meetings.
- Share a specific, personal story regarding bicycle and pedestrian infrastructure deficiencies.
- Request 10% of the total bond package for the GO Plan.
- Send a follow-up email to your City Councilor.

Tankard suggested that sidewalk improvements be decoupled from street rehabilitation projects.

Drummond invited members to a meeting to develop talking points regarding the bond issue on April 8, 2019 at Drummond's office.

Other Business

Trail Maintenance Contacts. Ziegler confirmed that trail maintenance contact information is up-to-date on the INCOG website. Drummond noted that the City of Tulsa 311 app is working

again after a 6-month outage. Leigh will begin developing a list of suggestions to make the 311 app more useful for reporting bicycle and pedestrian issues.

Trail Connection from Shannon One Park to East Tulsa. Ziegler explained that INCOG is seeking funding to provide a trail connection through an existing tunnel under Hwy. 169 between 31st and 41st Streets which will connect Shannon One park to east Tulsa.

Upcoming Events

Drummond shared a list of upcoming meetings and events.

The members agreed to move the July 2019 meeting from July 4 to July 11.

Adjournment

Drummond adjourned the meeting at 7:55 p.m.

Attachments

Agenda and Upcoming Events

Minutes of the Meeting of March 7, 2019

Improve Our Tulsa Draft Allocation

Improve Our Tulsa Town Hall Meeting Proposal

Don't Block the Buffer Windshield Note