

Minutes

City of Columbia Bicycle and Pedestrian Advisory Committee (BPAC)

October 27, 2014

Submitted by Keith Gosselin

The Committee met from 4:30-5:30 PM at City of Columbia Offices, 1136 Washington Street, 6th Floor Conference Room

Present were: Mary Roe, presiding; Members Candace Knox, Gene Bell, Keith Gosselin, Mary Roe, Michael Juras, Theresa Clement, Valerie Marcel, and Will Haltiwagner. City staff members Lucinda Statler, John Fellows, and Dana Higgins.

(Topics in bold and responsible parties/questions are underlined)

1. Penny Tax Update

Dana Higgins

Dana gave an update on the Penny Tax prioritization effort.

Natalie forwarded the [original prioritization list](#) to BPAC in October for comments. Dana and Natalie met with Robert Anderson to discuss/reprioritize several of the pedestrian/bikeway/greenway projects. **Dana** to resend updated prioritization.

A side update was made on discussions between Vulcan and the City on relocating/connecting a greenway ultimately between the Granby Park area and Shandon/Rosewood. The path as described would connect to Maxi Gregg park.

Lucinda to work with Alta to update maps to reflect proposed greenway.

2. Vista Greenway Phase 2

Dana Higgins

Dana shared that \$800K in funding would be available. Plans for design/construction are being completed.

Keith to share any updates from Dana on BPAC Facebook.

3. Finlay Master Plan

Dana Higgins

Members were encouraged to send feedback on the master plan proposal. The survey link was previously shared on Facebook - <https://www.surveymonkey.com/s/finlaypark>

4. Bull Street Development

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The Committee shared updated comments on the Bull Street development and felt that it needed to be in line with Master Plan and bike/ped considerations. City staff laid out that a PLAT had been filed for the Stadium but that the PUD, adopted by City Council, only required that the developer maintain a design committee and allow the City 5-10 days to review any design changes and return feedback. Share bicycle markings were at the discretion of the developer.

5. Main Street Sharrow/Education

Dana Higgins

Dana shared the work that her sub-Committee and Victoria Kramer did as an education awareness program for the Main Street/Hub area.

[Poster](#)



The group is working on distribution. **Mary** to distribute at Happy Hour Handlebar.

A discussion was had on permanent City signage. John discussed that the Bike Walk Columbia effort should incorporate signage standards into their documentation which can be used on future projects to prevent inconsistent signage.

Valerie mentioned that a pocket rule guide was being discussed.

6. Walk Bike Columbia Update

Lucinda Statler

Lucinda updated the group that Alta had created preliminary network recommendations. **ALL MEMBERS ARE ENCOURAGED TO PROVIDE FEEDBACK.** There are 5 documents/maps available on the Shared Google worksite.

The 10/8 Innovative Design Training seminar was largely successful; Alta did a good job of communicating new standards in bike/ped design.

On 10/14 was the Project Advisory Committee.

The team is working with Leadership Columbia on a permanent improvement project idea. About 60 people contribute to a capstone project. An app related to bike parking was one idea discussed.

The City is working on its parking masterplan; this is being coordinated with Walk Bike Columbia efforts.

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An update will be provided to City Council on 11/18 regarding the Master Plan efforts.

Lucinda is going to work with **Mary** on logistics related to the January presentation of the plan. Lucinda has been working with Agape on event space.

The effort will also include ordinance proposals; the City has received and is reviewing these.

7. Eat Smart Move More Richland County grant

Mary Roe

Mary updated the group on a \$22k grant from ESMARC which will likely go to a bicycle boulevard on Barhamville Rd. The work will include sharrows, stop sign calculations and adjustments (likely not required), and other boulevard signs.



8. Committee Engagement

Updates were given from Committee members on action goals derived from [this](#).

- Action goal #2 Bike Pedestrian Coordinator: **Candace, Theresa and Dana**
 - Candace researched 10-15 cities. Of those, she provided job descriptions for 2 positions in Columbia Missouri {Oversight of master plan and event planning}. Cape Coral, FL had an engineer position. Charleston was volunteer only. Discussion was had that there really are 2 types of roles to be filled – an advocacy/event planning role and a champion/project manager/City advocate role. The latter would be needed to create and own budgets and shepherd cross-functional delivery of bike ped projects. Team to continue with writing up job descriptions.
- Action goal # 3 Update City Council: **Natalie or Mary**
 - Plan is to update City Council on 11/18.
- Action goal #4 Trail Map and education: **Valerie, Mary**
 - See above.
- Action goal #6 Cola Town bike Coop; **Michael, Keith**
 - Same as previous - Scott Nuelken working with a graphics designer on a new pamphlet to use as collateral in pitching the need for space.
- Action goal #7 New Construction: **John B, Will, John F**
 - No update.
- Master Plan Committee: **Natalie, Gene**
 - See above.

9. PCC Rolling Bike Summit

Mary Roe

Mary presented an upcoming event sponsored by the SC Palmetto Bicycle Coalition.
<http://www.scbikesummit.org/>

10. Plan Columbia

John Fellows

John gave an update on Plan Columbia efforts. 11/5 there will be an open house with hearing to discuss the proposals planned for January. John discussed new areas: Urban Edge versus Urban Core and illustrations showing the differences. Maps showing *neighborhoods, activity centers, special districts, gateways, and corridors* were presented.

Keith to post event on Facebook.

11. Meeting Times

It was **motioned** and **approved** to move regular meetings to the 3rd Monday in each month. The next BPAC meeting is November 17th.

Adjourned 5:30