

Bicycle Advisory Board - Draft Minutes

April 21, 2020

Online

Meeting Minutes: Meeting called to order at 6:07 PM by Grant Shipley

Attendance:

- **Board Members Present:** Grant Shipley (Chair), Jessica Engelman (Vice-Chair), Charlie Greenwood, Pablo Monsivais, Rhonda Young,
- **Board Members Not Present:** Mike Bjordahl, Harrison Husting
- **Quorum Present:** yes
- **Staff Members Present:** Colin Quinn-Hurst, Dean Gunderson, Taylor Berberich, Jackie Churchill

Public Comment:

Not available due to Covid-19 Crisis. Written comment is accepted.

Briefing Session:

Minutes from the February 18, 2020 meeting approved unanimously.

1. Liaison Report -

- Rhonda Young, PCTS Liaison - She reported that PCTS met on April 14 and the 6 Year Street Program Workshop was discussed. She reported that the Traffic Signal at Sherman is being delayed.
- Grant Shipley Chair Report- Reported that people seem to be unhappy that the Fish Lake Trail is shown to go all the way to the lake on the signage but it doesn't. He suggested that the signage should be updated.

2. Staff Report -

- Colin Quinn-Hurst - He reported that there are multiple trail studies continuing including the South U-District Trail connection between the U-District Gateway Bridge and the Benn Burr Trail, and the Fish Lake Trail Study. City has received comments about how the new Sunset Boulevard path is functioning that could be relevant to future trail designs.

Workshops:

1. Centennial Trail Summit Gap

- Presentation provided by Dean Gunderson
- Questions asked and answered
- Discussion ensued

***Motion by Jessica Engelman - The Bicycle Advisory Board supports the general alignment of the proposed Centennial Trail project, as submitted to the Design Review Board at its April 8, 2020 meeting. The board also requests the City involve the board as the project moves forward to provide more feedback on specific design details.*

***Friendly Amendment to the motion by Jessica Engelman:** The Bicycle Advisory Board recognizes the concerns residents have raised about the safety and accessibility of the existing Pettet Drive and TJ Meenach Bridge bicycle and pedestrian paths and supports the City's on-going efforts to address these issues.*

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The motion carried on a vote of 4/1 (Motion made by Jessica, 2nd by Pablo – Jessica, Pablo, Grant and Rhonda voted in favor, Charles voted in opposition). In his opposition, Charles indicated that the existing trail accommodations (including landscaping) and street network is sufficient and that the City should invest all its resources to developing the long range plan for the trail (down the embankment, over the river at the old utility bridge, through the former convent grounds, and connecting to the existing Centennial Trail to the west).

2. Upriver Park - Street Vacation and New Trail Segment – postponed until next month

2019 Work Plan:

1. Update to Work Plan: Summer/fall events and mobile meetings Postponed until next meeting
 - Presentation provided by Colin Quinn-Hurst
 - Questions asked and answered
 - Discussion ensued
2. Update to Work Plan: Code updates for youth member
 - Presentation provided by Colin Quinn-Hurst
 - Questions asked and answered

Meeting Adjourned at 7:40 PM

Next Bicycle Advisory Board Meeting scheduled for Tuesday, May 19, 2020

to Colin Quinn-Hurst (privately):

you can go up to participant and select mute entry if you everyone to be automatically muted

from Colin Quinn-Hurst to everyone:

Thanks Jeff, looks you are all set now

from Pablo Monsivais to everyone:

Hello everyone. I'm just testing the chat box.

from Colin Quinn-Hurst to everyone:

Thanks Pablo, we'll keep the chat records as part of the meeting documents as well

from Pablo Monsivais to everyone:

Thanks Colin. Good to know.

from Larry to everyone:

Yes, sorry I don't have a mic. can hear you. Thanks!

from Colin Quinn-Hurst to everyone:

Thanks Larry!

from Larry to everyone:

Larry Swartz Spokaneite and West Central Resident

from Jessica Engelman to everyone:

2nd

from Jessica Engelman to everyone:

Is that the easiest way to do that?

from Colin Quinn-Hurst to everyone:

That works great

from Jessica Engelman to everyone:

thumbsup

from Rhonda Young to everyone:

Yes, to approve minutes

from Pablo Monsivais to everyone:

Approve of minutes

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from RPK to everyone:

6-yr transpo plan on Plan Commssion agenda tomorrow. Folks should look at the agenda to see what's being included as to Sherman St in the staff presentation.

from Jessica Engelman to everyone:

raise hand

from Shrinerdude to everyone:

I agree

from Jessica Engelman to everyone:

I agree with bringing Sherman St back to BAB as a workshop

from Jeff Sevela to everyone:

That signage is already there on the map display of the Fish Lake Trail maps at the trailheads.

from Larry to everyone:

Can you slow down a bit?

from Colin Quinn-Hurst to everyone:

For everyone following along in the agenda, the documents Dean is showing are included in the agenda packet

from Larry to everyone:

Thank you Colin

from Larry to everyone:

that moroe st bridge underpass was unituitive design. unexpected and unnecesary jog in path.

from Rhonda Young to everyone:

What is the status of the constract going out to bid and the onstruction start date? Has this been delayed?

from RPK to everyone:

NOTE: The DRB kept the record open for comments from thje public.

from Jonathan Adams to everyone:

The status is that we are moving forward with various aspects of the project development with the goal to bid the project early summer.

from Pablo Monsivais to everyone:

Thank you Dean. Very helpful review.

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Are bicycle-related features cross-referenced against AASHTO guidelines or something similar?

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from Pablo Monsivais to everyone:

Not many (if any) commercial facilities but if there are trail-heads that people might want to access, then bicycle racks would be useful there.

from Jessica Engelman to everyone:

I don't see much of a use for bike parking if there isn't a destination that would require one to lock their bike up to access/utilize (e.g. a path down the bluff to the river)

from Larry to everyone:

There are some great walking trails below that are not bike friendly

from Jessica Engelman to everyone:

Yes

from Larry to everyone:

That black link will be a very effective trail and great return on investment

from Larry to everyone:

the old bridge makes no sense. there is a much more intuitive and direct/simple bridge path

from Larry to everyone:

The old bridge would require an entire rebuild and the conditions of the slope are extremely steep and unstable construction platform.

from randall to everyone:

I don't think any of the options being considered before the City obtained a grant for Summit involved using the old utility bridge.

from Larry to everyone:

Abutments of the new bridge could stay outside high water mark presumably rendering significant reductions in shoreline, epa, etc... hurdles.

from Rhonda Young to everyone:

Is the question whether the project should be re-designed or that amenities (landscaping, art, etc) be added? Adding to the \$2.2 price tag or diverting some of these funds to other aspects of the project?

from Jessica Engelman to everyone:

Colin, we lost you again

from Jessica Engelman to everyone:

You're breaking up

from Jessica Engelman to everyone:

Colin, can you repeat what you said?

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from Jessica Engelman to everyone:

(Are other people hearing Colin cut in and out?)

from Larry to everyone:

It should be designed in response to its context and potential and respecting the significance of both the site and the Centennial trail.

from Larry to everyone:

I propose doing both routes, and doing both routes properly

from Larry to everyone:

Yes, unfortunately the proper big picture doesn't fit in this alignment

from randall to everyone:

No one has ever asked the people of Spokane if they prefer to continue using the steep route down Petet and across the narrow Meenach bridge--or--if they want to spend the additional money to fund a really good bridge.

from Larry to everyone:

Pettit is entirely outside of Class 1 shared use path which are the guideline foundation for the design of the Centennial trail. Pettit does not meet grade, separation or width standards. The bridge itself offers a 5' wide separated right of way walled by concrete.

from Mike Etter to everyone:

Do bicyclists realize that 35-38 foot wide Summit arterial will now be 30 feet curb to curb with just a 2 foot buffer and 10 foot trail?

from Pablo Monsivais to everyone:

Agreed. I support the general direction of this project.

from Larry to everyone:

The siphon trail is not improved with this alignment

from Liz to everyone:

I must respectfully disagree, the alternative trail route doesn't climb first the way the current route down Petit Drive does

from Liz to everyone:

Great ammendment Jessica, thank you

from Rhonda Young to everyone:

second

from Shrinerdude to everyone:

I'll second

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from Rhonda Young to everyone:

yes

from Pablo Monsivais to everyone:

Aye

from Jessica Engelman to everyone:

Aye

from Shrinerdude to everyone:

In favor

from Larry to everyone:

Charlie lives in the neighborhood

from Larry to everyone:

This is a downgrade from what we have at a high price tag

from Jessica Engelman to everyone:

I completely disagree that this is a downgrade. I, and many "interested but concerned" riders, do not currently feel comfortably riding in-lane on Summit and would greatly prefer a separated, protected cycling right-of-way.

from Ruth Borgmann to everyone:

All the neighbors will enjoy a better sidewalk a little bit wider and have the walking people separate from the bikes.

from Larry to everyone:

That's the difference between people looking after their own communities vs people unfamiliar making their power calls

from Jessica Engelman to everyone:

What's the deal with the sub-groups? Can we do continue on that work given social distancing circumstances?

from Larry to everyone:

agreed

from Ruth Borgmann to everyone:

bikes ride here super fast!

from Larry to everyone:

and we should let them keep doing that.

from Rhonda Young to everyone:

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