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BICYCLE AND PEDESTRIAN ADVISORY COMMITTEE

Minutes

Monday, August 4, 2014

City Hall Conference Room A, 716 SW Evergreen Avenue, Redmond, Oregon

Commissioners Present: Sharon Carrell, Bill Groesz, Katie Hammer, David Swift (absent: *David Alward, Bill Braly, Fred Bray, Shirlee Evans, Eric Helie, Bill Hilton, Mike Ricketts*)

City Staff: Scott Woodford, *Associate Planner*; Annie McVay, *Parks and Administration Division Manager*; Cameron Prow, *TYPE-Write II*

Visitors: David Olsen and Kat Langenderfer, *Harper Hauf Peterson Righellis Inc.*

(scribe CP's note: The minutes were created from an audio record and notes taken at the meeting.)

COMMENCE MEETING – CALL TO ORDER

Mr. Woodford opened the meeting at 4:07 p.m. without a quorum, with only 4 of 11 members present.

DISCUSSION ITEMS

A. Presentation on Trails Amenities Plan

Mr. Woodford said the City has been working on this project with Mr. Olsen and Ms. Langenderfer. This project grew out of a need to respond to concern by Central Oregon Irrigation District about amenities planned for the Homestead Trail. He discussed the benefits of and requested feedback on where amenities should be sited.

Mr. Olsen outlined his background including his work with the Dry Canyon Advisory Committee. He summarized (PowerPoint) amenities under consideration and discussed trail types; signage; staging areas and seating/benches; lighting; restrooms; litter and recycling stations; drinking fountains; bike racks and miscellaneous furniture; landscaping; public art, interpretive exhibits, and kiosks; and emergency vehicle access. One of the challenges with this project is the lack of templates or standards from the National Recreation and Park Association or other cooperative groups. He recommended getting everything possible approved before seeking funding. The next step will be to incorporate BPAC's feedback today into the draft plan.

BPAC concerns included funding priorities (making trails vs. trail amenities), trail standards, signage (branding individual trails vs. cohesive theme, flexibility based on usage), smoking tower use (adults vs. teens), vandalism, public safety, ADA (Americans with Disabilities Act) compliance, bus connections, restroom locations, amenities that attract/discourage users, cross-sections of amenity layouts, and siting amenities per individual trail needs.

Ms. McVay said a six-foot-wide segment of the Homestead Trail (Maple Avenue to Quince Avenue) is out for bid, with construction expected in October 2014. She said the amenities presented had urban-heavy themes but all trail planning in the City has had an urban focus.

B. Bike/Pedestrian Network Plan – Review Draft Cross-Sections for Bike/Ped Facilities

Mr. Woodford outlined (PowerPoint) support for the plan, how the plan was formed/will be used, network maps, prioritizing street projects with limited funds, bike facility types/standards (safer cycling), pedestrian facility types/standards (safer walking, connectivity, ADA accessibility), treatments, and project timeline. Standards in this plan are intended to assure that appropriate bike and pedestrian facilities are included in street projects. Plan objectives include increasing basic ridership. The goal is to present this plan to City Council in December 2014. The next step will be to ground-test the draft maps. He will e-mail BPAC regarding potential dates for a bus tour in late August 2014.

BPAC discussion included impacts of separating vs. combining bike and pedestrian facilities, encroachment of sewer facilities on bike lanes, City’s public review process for this plan, and adding sample pictures of technical terms to the plan. Ms. Carrell, Mr. Groesz, Ms. Hammer, and Mr. Swift agreed the bike and pedestrian facility ideas presented by staff were on the right path.

PUBLIC COMMENTS (None)

LIAISON COMMENTS (None)

STAFF COMMENTS (None)

BPAC COMMENTS

Mr. Groesz asked about the status of a trail in the Southwest Area Plan going through The Greens golf course and expressed support for trails along canals. Mr. Woodford said he would check.

Ms. Carrell asked how facilities in the Dry Canyon Master Plan will be funded.

Ms. Hammer reported that Redmond Area Park and Recreation District (RAPRD) held its first “Bike Fest” on July 30, 2014 (1st day of Deschutes County Fair) at Sam Johnson Park. She felt the Wednesday event went well with about 50 kids attending; two of the volunteers were from Portland, Oregon. RAPRD partnered with Redmond Police and Fire Departments and Redmond School District to give away bike helmets and teach bike safety to kids. RAPRD’s currently borrowed bike fleet (must be returned by August 31, 2014) is scaled for kids 3rd grade and older. RAPRD is purchasing (by grants) a bike fleet and helmets for kids kindergarten age and older and seeking donations for a trailer (estimated cost: \$4,000 used). Plans are underway for the 2nd annual Bike Fest including scheduling (Saturday in May 2015 for “Bike Safety Month”) and partnering with the school district and fire department (free helmets). She pointed out that the Bike Fest complies with BPAC’s work plan.

ADJOURN

The September 8, 2014, meeting is canceled.

With no further business, Mr. Woodford adjourned the meeting at 5:51 p.m.

APPROVED by the Bicycle and Pedestrian Advisory Committee and SIGNED by me this _____ day of _____, 2014.

ATTEST:

_____, Chair

Heather Richards, Community Development Director