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REDMOND BICYCLE AND PEDESTRIAN ADVISORY COMMITTEE
MINUTES

September 8, 2015

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

Committee Members Present: Vice-Chair Bill Braly, Fred Bray, Sharon Carrell, Shirlee Evans, Andrea Green, Karen Hermanek, Rand Hill, Mike Ricketts, David Swift (absent: *Katie Hammer, William Hilton*)

Youth Ex Officio: Brennan Buckley-Noonan

City Staff: Scott Woodford, *Associate Planner*; Mike Caccavano, *City Engineer*; Chuck Arnold, *Economic Development/Urban Renewal Project Coordinator*; Cameron Prow, *TYPE-Write II*

Visitors: None

Media: Dave Morgan, *Redmond News Today*

(The 3-digit number after a motion title shows the number of members voting in favor/opposed/abstaining.)

CALL TO ORDER

Vice-Chair Braly opened the meeting at 4:05 p.m. with a quorum of members (8 of 11) present. Ms. Carrell arrived at 4:07 p.m. after approval of the minutes.

CITIZEN COMMENTS

None.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Motion 1 (8/0/0): Mr. Bray moved to approve the minutes of July 6 and August 3, 2015. Ms. Evans seconded the motion which passed unanimously.

DISCUSSION ITEMS

A. 15th Street Pedestrian/Bicycle Facility

Mr. Caccavano presented (PowerPoint) updated sidewalk and bike concepts for 15th Street and discussed the challenge of fitting BPAC's recommended 10-foot multi-use path into a 32-foot-wide street in a 40-foot right-of-way. Engineering and Community Development staff met on the site recently to explore options which resulted in design revisions.

Committee members discussed City standards, length of the proposed configuration change, how to keep people from parking in the bike lane/path, beauty strip materials, slowing traffic down, popularity of walking in this area, irrigation challenge due to less water in the future, bus traffic, widening the four-foot sidewalk to the curb, and neighbor concerns.

Motion 2 (9/0/0): Ms. Evans moved that BPAC approve the design presented by the City Engineer for 15th Street between Highland and Deschutes Avenues, subject to eliminating or altering the two-foot beauty strip to reduce the maintenance. Mr. Bray seconded the motion which passed unanimously.

B. Safe Routes to School Project

Mr. Woodford presented his staff report including an action plan for Fall 2015 activities at public elementary schools (John Tuck, M. A. Lynch, Sage, Tom McCall, Vern Patrick), middle schools (Elton Gregory, Obsidian), and high schools (Redmond, Ridgeview). Effective this fall, BPAC will be able to participate at “back to school” or “family” nights at all schools. This involvement will give BPAC the opportunity to increase awareness about biking, walking, and rolling safety. He reviewed updates from the school visits. Ideas for increasing awareness included a spring bike-riding contest, parent-led “walking school busses,” PTOs (Parent Teacher Organizations), and focus groups (student feedback).

Member concerns included crafting a consistent BPAC message (talking points) for school contacts and “back to school” nights, banners, handouts to parents (paper copies of survey, school-specific maps) on “back to school” nights, adding a survey “link” on a large-format map, what will be done with the information gathered, flexing school schedules to allow more time to walk/bike to school, and bike rack use at each school.

Mr. Buckley-Noonan said students do the easiest thing. Riding a bike on the sidewalk feels safer than in traffic.

C. 2015-2016 Work Plan Check-In

Mr. Woodford reviewed progress on the Actions.

Member suggestions for *Infrastructure Improvements* and *Brand the System* strategies included:

- * Bike/pedestrian wayfinding signs: funding sooner than City (individual or family donations), design (materials, visibility in low-light situations, City logo, lettering size, multi-directional), and locations.
- * Bike racks/corrals: identifying specific locations such as the transit hub at Redmond Public Library and the new City Hall. Suggestions for placement of a portable corral included the ice rink location during the summer, Green Plow (if the owner is amenable), and side streets to 6th Street.
- * Partnering with Redmond Parks Foundation to include the foldable bike/pedestrian map in the Dry Canyon trail map.

Mr. Caccavano reported the test strip on Maple Avenue was unsuccessful. He noted that the transit “hub” was expected to be moved from the library to another location.

Ms. Evans agreed to serve on a subcommittee to work on design and funding of bike/pedestrian wayfinding signs. She agreed to research the cost of temporary signs and to share BPAC’s interest in the map project with other board members at the next parks foundation meeting.

D. September Bike and Pedestrian Counts

Mr. Woodford reported needing more volunteers to cover all counting stations on Thursday, September 17, 3:30-5:30 p.m. (13 of 19 stations covered), and Saturday, September 19, 12 noon-2 p.m. (8 of 19 stations covered). He asked committee members to volunteer or spread the word to others who might want to help. Volunteers can reserve their station and time slot on the City website or phone or e-mail him.

BPAC concerns included where volunteers would meet prior to the counting activity and where they would meet afterward to turn in their counts. Mr. Ricketts asked if Redmond Proficiency

Academy was included in the Safe Routes to Schools project. Ms. Green reported the RPA campus will be moving for the 2016-2017 school year.

COUNCIL LIAISON COMMENTS

None. No Council liaison has been assigned.

COMMITTEE COMMENTS

None.

STAFF COMMENTS

Next meeting:

* Monday, October 5, 2015, 4 p.m.

ADJOURN

With no further business, Vice-Chair Braly adjourned the meeting at 5:35 p.m.

APPROVED by Redmond Bicycle and Pedestrian Advisory Committee and SIGNED by me this
__2nd__ day of __November__, 2015.

ATTEST:

/s/ William Hilton
William Hilton
Chair

/s/ Heather Richards
Heather Richards
Community Development Director