

## MEETING SUMMARY

### BICYCLE AND PEDESTRIAN ADVISORY COMMITTEE

TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 24, 2015

Present:  
Mooney  
Neilly  
Whyte  
Scott  
Daubs  
Carolan  
Barkalow  
Billings

#### 1. Establish Bike Boulevard painting prioritization for FY15/16 installation

Billings handed out a list of the previously recommended Bike Boulevards and Sharrows that had been given to the Public Service Director. She also provided the Committee with a map showing current and recommended bicycle accommodations. The group considered the cost, connectivity, and potential traffic along the routes and came up with the following priority list:

##### Bike Boulevard

- 1) Geode/3<sup>rd</sup> Street
- 2) Grand Ave/6<sup>th</sup> St. /Krumboltz
- 3) 3<sup>rd</sup> Avenue
- 4) 24<sup>th</sup> St./27<sup>th</sup> St./25<sup>th</sup> Ave.
- 5) 22<sup>nd</sup> Street

##### Sharrow

- 1) Grand Avenue
- 2) 15<sup>th</sup> Street
- 3) 11<sup>th</sup> Street
- 4) McGowan Blvd.

#### 2. Discuss and decide on Bike Boulevard symbols to be painted on street

Billings handed out street painting examples for the Bike Boulevard, Sharrow, and Bike Lane markings.

The group discussed the benefits of different designs. Whyte explained that there is no standard symbol for Bike Boulevards. They agreed to the Bike Boulevard symbol to consist of the bike (no bicyclist), the 'BLVD', and then topped with the chevron symbol. Whyte explained that he liked this design and indicated that it would be an innovative design. Billings noted that the Bike Boulevard symbols are to be painted in the middle of the lane.

The group then looked at different Sharrow symbols and decided that utilizing the bike and chevron symbols from the Bike Boulevard would be best. Whyte noted that Cedar Rapids is also including 4 dashes on each side of the symbol to give bikers the feeling that they should ride within the designated area. The symbols should be painted in the middle of the lane to minimize paint wear and to provide the safest area for bicyclists to ride.

The group then looked at acceptable Bike Lane markings to be painted on 10<sup>th</sup> Street. Again, to minimize the symbols used by the Public Service Department, the group recommended the bike, but followed with an arrow as that is the standard.

### **3. Brainstorm Bike to Work Week ideas**

Billings noted that she wanted to get a head start on Bike-To-Work-Week (BTWW) ideas to ensure adequate time to implement. She noted that she was in communication with Sara Mentzer with Blue Zones to contact participating schools to encourage their employees to participate, and also contacting the Blue Zones designated businesses to encourage employees to bike to work.

Billings also discussed a neon t-shirt for the week, and was researching the best ways to get this accomplished. Whyte noted that Cedar Rapids was able to give away shirts because of corporate sponsorships.

Billings also brought up asking Uptown businesses to provide specials during the week, specific to bicyclists. Scott added that Rockwell provides a breakfast to participating employees as well. Perhaps the Mayor or City Council member could be a spokesperson or ride leader for BTWW.

### **4. By-Laws Discussion**

Billings informed the Committee that she had not had time to draft the bylaws for the Committee, but had been researching other bylaws of similar boards and commissions. She noted that instead of having formal bylaws and identifying a chapter within the City Code, she suggested having the City Council pass a resolution establishing the Committee and writing the bylaws into that resolution, this would be similar to the Local Option Sales Tax Committee that does not have any formal approval powers either. The Committee agreed that she should pursue that alternative.

### **5. Next Meeting – Tuesday, March 24, 2015 (at 4 p.m.)**

Meeting was adjourned at 4:59 p.m.