

**Bicycle & Pedestrian Advisory Committee
Meeting Minutes February 7, 2012**

Roll Call

Approval of Jan. 10 minutes.

In attendance:

Victor Udwin, Charlie Roop, Kent Morlaw, Jane Ziegler, Gary Parker, Brian Potter, Monty McElroy, Mike Wozniak, Bruce Dart, Shannon Compton, James Wagner, Nathan Leigh, Stephen Lassiter, J.D. Walker

BPAC News Updates

New committee members appointed by City Council were introduced: Shannon Compton and Mike Wozniak. Shannon is the Tulsa Hub board president and Mike is the owner of Soundpony.

The City Council proposed the idea that Charlie Roop and Nathan Leigh, nominated but not appointed, be considered as alternates for the committee.

Complete Streets resolution was passed by the city council on Feb. 2. The Complete Streets philosophy says all modes – pedestrian, bike, transit and cars – will be considered in the design of city streets.

Councilor Blake Ewing would like BPAC representation on the Route 66 Task Force. Volunteers were sought. Gary Parker and Charlie Roop expressed interest.

A subcommittee was created to help plan a City Council bike/pedestrian tour.

James Wagner is still seeking any input from the committee on the INCOG Regional Transportation Plan.

There have been some complaints about abuse of the BPAC email distribution list. Be mindful when sending out mass emails. You can also delete emails or filter unwanted emails straight to the trash.

Meeting attendees broke into three groups and drew two questions about walking problems identified in earlier meetings. The groups brainstormed solutions on flip chart paper and then presented their solutions to the entire group.

How to reduce ped injuries and deaths?

PlaniTulsa implementation, countdown timers, flashing green lights (pre-yellow warning), red light running enforcement, actuated ped crossing signs, red light strobe, speed

bumps/humps/tables, lowering speed limits (ID problem locations), synchronize signals to 20-25 mph, on-street parking, driver awareness/ education

How to reduce weather's impact on walking?

Heated sidewalks, more sidewalks, snow plow to center, splash prevention, stop bars, bus shelters

How to ensure pedestrian safety for those with handicaps?

ADA curb ramps @ crosswalks, stop for ped signs in middle of street (state law) in crosswalks, no curbs at all -> posts, more chirping noises, countdown lights, better buttons, fast/slow button to give more time to those who need it, mid-stop media refuge, better public transportation, slower traffic in the city, law more for peds / more ped-friendly laws, eliminate right turn on red, under/over highways,

How to make it easier to walk for short distances instead of choosing the car?

More sidewalks, safer crosswalks, enforce crosswalks, make sure cars don't stop in crosswalks, make it harder to drive, charge more to park (and fix meters), education/encouragement/media, make distances shorter: encourage density

How to improve sidewalks in Tulsa?

Build them, panic button, 12-foot sidewalk/take lane away, traffic circles, audible crossing signals, sidewalk obstructions, ADA compliant, Connectivity (bus stops/gaps), enforce business area no bikes, pass through (i.e. cul de sacs), curbs, maintenance and enforce, pedestrian scaled amenities (lights, bench, landscaping),

How to protect pedestrians from dogs and other animals?

Leash law, fence law, increase animal control, PSAs to spay/neuter, registration, free pepper spray, owner education, increase penalties