

Tulsa Bicycle and Pedestrian Advisory Committee Minutes

January 4, 2018

Location: 36 Degrees North
36 E Cameron St, Tulsa, OK 74103

Members Present	Institutional Advisors Present		Guests Present
Mitch Drummond	Glen Sams	COT Engineering Services	Omar Cisneros
Ken Graham	Nick Doctor	COT Mayor's Office	Keith Franklin
Sarah Kobos	Phillip Berry	COT Planning	Juan Miret
Nathan Leigh	Lisa Simpson	COT Planning/Traffic	Skip Morgan
Larry Mitchell	Tim Stendel	COT Police Department	Julie Skye
Adam Vandenburg	Jane Ziegler	INCOG	
Lauren Wagner	Paulina Baeza	INCOG	
J.D. Walker	Chase Phillips	INCOG	
	Luisa Krug	Tulsa Health Department	
	John Hagy	Tulsa Hub	
Members Absent	Institutional Advisors Absent		
None	Daniel Sperle	BikeShare	
	Robert Swain	TPS Chief of Law Enforcement	
	Gary Percefull	Tulsa School Board	

The meeting was called to order by chairman, Larry Mitchell at 6:07 PM. A quorum was present.

Minutes from the December 2017 meeting were approved.

BPAC will have a booth at the Good News Summit in Founders Hall at OU-Tulsa on Thursday February 1, 2018 from 12-5:00 PM. Larry Mitchell passed around a sign-up sheet for volunteers.

Keith Franklin of LPCI Engineering presented the conceptual plan for an extension of the River Parks trail from 101st Street to Cousins Park. The design will match the standards of the east bank RiverParks Trail. Land acquisition is still needed. Expect a 10-year timeframe.

Juan Miret, Growing Together Tulsa and candidate for Tulsa City Council District 4, gave a presentation regarding the Kendall Whittier neighborhood, active transportation, and desire for greater connectivity and bike/ped infrastructure.

INCOG update from Jane Ziegler:

- Members of INCOG's transportation department will walk the 21st & Garnett corridor on Friday, January 12th, starting at 9:30 am. Purpose is to evaluate sidewalk gaps, possible traffic calming elements and connectivity issues. BPAC members were encouraged to participate.

2. Jane Ziegler and Chase Phillips are now receiving TMAPC agendas for review prior to meetings. They are providing recommendations to the technical committee regarding bicycle/pedestrian improvements for proposed developments.
3. Viplav Putta and Jane Ziegler are meeting with the ODOT District 8 representative regarding instances where ODOT projects overlap the GoPlan. The goal is to ensure the GoPlan recommendations are implemented in ODOT projects.
4. Once again, Tulsa achieved Bronze status as a Bike Friendly Community

Advocacy: Sarah Kobos discussed proposed updates to the Subdivision Regulations and impacts to bikeability and walkability. It was determined that a work group/sub-committee should review the issues in detail and draft a position paper to be voted on by BPAC members prior to Jan 17. BPAC members are also encouraged to show up to the TMAPC public hearing on February 7.

Ken Graham gave an update re: the Oklahoma Bicycling Coalition annual meeting. Lauren, Larry and Ken will attend this year's annual meeting on Sunday 1/7/18 at 2pm in Oklahoma City.

Larry Mitchell discussed the City Councilor district walk/ride events. Members of the working group are: Paulina Baeza, Mitch Drummond, Sarah Kobos, Stephen Lassiter, Nathan Leigh, Elaine Meek, Larry Mitchell, Isaiah Persson, Officer Tim Stendel, Lauren Wagner, and Jane Ziegler. Adam Vandenburg asked to be added to the work group.

Education/Encouragement: Adam Vandenburg gave an update on 2018 goals:

1. Education
 - A. Develop and implement Bike/Pedestrian Friendly Motorist training
 - B. Conduct a LCI (League Certified Instructor) training – Looking at private and public funding sources to get this done, sometime in summer 2018. Also looking at recruitment and location.
2. Encouragement
 - A. Recruit Bike Friendly Business applicants. Current Tulsa Bike-Friendly Businesses are: Soundpony (gold), Superior Linen (silver), and Bumgarner Asset Management (bronze). Williams Companies and Wallace Engineering are in the process of applying.
 - B. Work with City of Tulsa and school districts (Tulsa, Jenks, Union) to promote Walk and Bike to School/Work activities
 - C. Investigate the possibility of a coalition dedicated to walkability
 - D. Advocate/support an Active Transportation (bike/walk) Coordinator at the City of Tulsa

Vandenberg gave details about the new secure bike storage facility in the basement of the Kennedy Building downtown. Members discussed creating a "how to bike to work" educational piece to address common fears and concerns, and share tips for people interested in commuting.

Pedestrian Accessibility: Mitch Drummond mentioned the possibility of a micro-grant to help fund a website to promote walking/biking activities in Tulsa.

Enforcement: J.D. Walker has been contacting the City of Tulsa about dangerous intersections along the Creek Turnpike and Riverside areas. Officer Stendel suggested requesting motorcycle cops to police intersections where drivers are turning right on red without stopping.

Implementation: Nathan Leigh discussed top priorities for traffic calming projects: 3rd Street at Hodges Bend, Boulder and 10th, and Sheridan and the Creek Turnpike Trail.

Need to start thinking about GoPlan priorities. Are there cases where the roadway is narrow where a sidepath could work instead of a bike lane?

New Business:

Sarah Kobos asked if anyone would like to bike around the fairgrounds, to scout out good locations for bike racks, and make recommendations to the county. She'll send a Doodle Poll to find a good time to meet.

Next meeting: Feb. 1, 6:00 at Growing Together Tulsa, 18 S Lewis Ave.