

Minneapolis Bicycle Advisory Committee Minutes
Wednesday, August 24, 2016, 4 PM – 6 PM
Government Plaza Nice Ride Rack – 3rd Ave S

Members Present: Richard Anderson, Mackenzie Turner Bargaen, Matthew Dyrdaahl, Steve Elmer, Robin Garwood, Matthew Hendricks, Chris Linde, Hilary Lovelace, Nathan Pentz, Ann Postera, Juana Sandoval, Ciara Schlichting, Elissa Schufman, Sarah Stewart, Lindsey Wallace, Kelley Yemen

Members Absent: Joe Bernard, Bill Dooley (excused), Paul Frenz, Joshua Houdek, Nick Mason (excused), Scott Snelling, Peter Wagenius, Georgianna Yantos

Others Present: David Gepner, Janice Gepner, Hōkan, Jordan Kocak, Kurt Wayne

Actions

1. The **Vice Chair of the 5E Subcommittee** of the Minneapolis Bicycle Advisory Committee will be Hilary Lovelace.
2. The Minneapolis Bicycle Advisory Committee approves of the Hennepin County **striping project on Glenwood Ave** as currently proposed.
3. Given a future **Glenwood Avenue alignment for the C Line BRT**, the Minneapolis Bicycle Advisory Committee prefers that Concept A is used at transit stops whenever possible. This design is the safest and most predictable for all road users and minimizes any merging and queueing problems that may arise between bicycles, buses, and any other vehicles.
4. The Minneapolis Bicycle Advisory Committee approves of the **18th Ave NE** layout at this time, but also requests an examination of reducing auto lanes to 10' and increasing bike lanes to 6' between Monroe and Quincy. The BAC would like to revisit both layout concepts at a later time.
5. The Minneapolis Bicycle Advisory Committee is in favor of improved **bicycle facilities on Washington Avenue**, but is requesting more analysis and information. The BAC requests Hennepin County staff to reevaluate lane widths to create an additional layout with room for an 8-8.5' parking protected bike lane (width includes bike lane and buffer area). The BAC also requests that the city look at extending the bicycle facility east to 19th Ave S to connect to existing bicycle lanes.
6. The Minneapolis Bicycle Advisory Committee supports fully funding the **Orange Line BRT** project.

Summaries of Discussions

The meeting was called to order at 4:05 pm and chaired by Ciara Schlichting. The August Agenda and July Minutes were unanimously approved.

1. **5E's Subcommittee** Report presented by Juana Sandoval – ***ACTION***
 - **Subcommittee Vice Chair – *ACTION***
 - Juana nominated Hilary Lovelace as Vice Chair of the Subcommittee.
 - Hilary was elected unanimously.
 - **Bike and Pedestrian Counts** presented by Kurt Wayne
 - Minneapolis is doing bike and pedestrian counts Sept 13, 14 & 15 from 4 – 6 pm.
 - Volunteers needed; please volunteer and ask your friends.
 - Hennepin County is doing counts, too.
 - **Open Streets Schedule**
 - See Matthew about signing up to support Behind the Big Wheel.
 - Next Open Streets event is Broadway on Sept 10.
 - Matthew Dyr Dahl will send out a copy of the volunteer list.
 - **Law Enforcement Engagement:** The Subcommittee is working on this.
2. **Engineering Subcommittee** Report presented by Ciara Schlichting – ***ACTIONS***
 - **Glenwood Avenue Hennepin County Project – *ACTION***
 - Ciara presented a motion to support the project as presented.
 - The motion passed unanimously.
 - **Glenwood Avenue Transit Stop Concepts – *ACTION***
 - Ciara presented a motion to support concept A which provided the best separation of bicycles and pedestrians.
 - The motion was approved unanimously with abstentions from Kelley Yemen and Steve Elmer.
 - **18th Avenue NE Project – *ACTION***
 - BAC input was sought for the area under the viaduct near Monroe and Quincy.
 - Ciara presented a motion to support the proposed layout with a request to look into increasing the width of bicycle lanes for traffic calming.
 - Other traffic calming suggestions were also discussed by the subcommittee.
 - The motion passed unanimously.
 - **Washington Avenue South Hennepin County Project – *ACTION***
 - Project extends from current bikeway at 5th Av S to I-35W.
 - Width of proposed bike facility varies.
 - County says 9 feet are required for a protected bikeway.
 - Ciara presented a motion to support improved bike facilities but asks the county to consider a slightly narrower protected bike lane.
 - Matthew Hendricks presented a friendly amendment to consider extending bike lanes east to 19th Ave S.
 - It was pointed out that extending the bike facility would be up to the city, since it is outside the County project.
 - The amended motion passed unanimously with one abstention from Kelley.

3. **Orange Line Support** presented by Robin Garwood – ***ACTION***
 - Robin presented a motion that the BAC fully support funding the Orange Line BRT.
 - The motion passed unanimously with one abstention from Juana Sandoval.
 - Robin suggested that the BAC invite PAC leadership to our next meeting to discuss the organization of the city bicycle/pedestrian section.

4. **Group Bike Ride** presented by Matthew Dyrdaahl
 - Matthew outlined the route for our annual bicycle ride.
 - The ride will include stops at the West Lake area and Bryant Av S at 31st St W.
 - The ride/meeting will conclude at Fulton Brewery.

Minutes respectfully submitted by Janice Gepner.