

Minneapolis BAC Meeting Agenda
Wednesday, January 27, 2016
4:00 – 6:00 p.m.
Minneapolis City Hall – Room 333

1. Member Sign-in and Introductions (4:00-4:05)
2. Approve BAC Agenda and Minutes (4:05-4:10, see Attachment 1)
3. Meeting Attendance (4:10-4:15)
4. BAC Membership Discussion (4:15-4:20)
5. 5E's Subcommittee, Roy Hallanger (4:20-5:00, see Attachment 2)
 - Bicycle Friendly Community Feedback Discussion
 - Agenda Planning
6. Engineering Subcommittee, Ciara Schlichting (5:00-5:45)
 - 26th/28th St E, Simon Blenski (4:05-4:30) **ACTION**
 - West Lake Study, Nathan Koster (4:30-4:45) **ACTION**
 - 42nd Ave N, Nathan (4:45-5:00) **ACTION**
 - Franklin Ave SE, Simon (5:00-5:15) **ACTION**
 - 2016 Protected Bikeway Program, Simon (5:15-5:45) **ACTION**
 - Hennepin Ave, Simon (5:45-6:00) **ACTION**
7. Announcements (5:45-6:00)
8. Adjourn (6:00)

Next BAC Meetings:

Thursday, February 11, 5E's Subcommittee
Tuesday, February 16, Engineering Subcommittee
Wednesday, February 17, Executive Committee
Wednesday, February 24, Whole Committee

Minneapolis Bicycle Advisory Committee Minutes
Wednesday, January 27, 2016, 4 PM – 6 PM
Room 333 Minneapolis City Hall

Members Present: Richard Anderson, Joe Bernard, Bill Dooley, Matthew Dyr Dahl, Paul Frenz, Robin Garwood, Janice Gepner, Roy Hallanger, Chris Linde, Hilary Lovelace, Will Lumpkins, Nick Mason, Greg Sautter, Ciara Schlichting, Scott Snelling, Sarah Stewart, Peter Wagenius, Lindsey Wallace, Georgianna Yantos

Members Absent: Sgt. Tom Campbell, Ginger Cannon, Bob Hain, Joshua Houdek (excused), , Gina Mitteco (excused), Juana Sandoval, Max Schollet, Jose Luis Villaseñor, Kelley Yemen

Others Present: Hōkan, Craig McCann, Cindy Matthias

Actions

1. The Minneapolis Bicycle Advisory Committee recommends adding a second **Met Council seat** on this committee for its planning division, in addition to the one for Metro Transit.
2. The Minneapolis Bicycle Advisory Committee supports staff recommendation #4, curb extension, for **26th St/28th St E**, which does not set a precedent for future protected intersections.
3. The Minneapolis Bicycle Advisory Committee supports the recommendations presented for the **West Lake Study** area as follows:
 - Kenilworth/Midtown Greenway/Cedar Lake Trail bicycle roundabout intersection design,
 - Lake Street - reduce travel lane widths and remove one east bound travel lane for an expanded bike trail,
 - New shared use trail connecting the Midtown Greenway through the shopping center (w/raised intersections through the parking lot) and along Market Plaza to connect to West Calhoun Parkway to Lake Calhoun,
 - East Calhoun Parkway (between Lagoon and W. Lake Street) – shared use trail connection along west side
4. The Minneapolis Bicycle Advisory Committee invites the Park Board to the BAC Engineering Subcommittee to discuss the **Lake Calhoun-Harriet Master Plan**.
5. The Minneapolis Bicycle Advisory Committee supports the conceptual design for the **42nd Avenue N Reconstruction** (from Xerxes Ave N to Lyndale Ave N) as presented.

6. The Minneapolis Bicycle Advisory Committee supports the recommended layout for **Franklin Ave SE** (from 27th Avenue SE to Emerald Street SE) and to reduce the posted speed limit to 25 mph.
7. The Minneapolis Bicycle Advisory Committee supports the **Protected Bikeway Program** projects for **2016**.

Summaries of Discussions

The meeting was called to order at 4:08 pm and chaired by Nick Mason. The Agenda and December Minutes were unanimously approved.

1. **Meeting Attendance** led by Nick Mason

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- Nick reminded folks to let him and me (Janice) know in advance about absences.
- m a meeting space in their new location.
- Members are reminded to attend one of the Subcommittee meetings each month.

2. **BAC Membership Discussion** led by Nick Mason -- **ACTION**

- Nick presented a motion, at the request of the Met Council, to add a seat to the BAC for them.
- Greg Sautter pointed out that Metro Transit is within the Met Council, so they already have one seat on the BAC.
- The motion was amended to request a second Met Council seat for their long range planning division.
- The request will have to be approved by Transportation and Public Works.
- The motion passed unanimously.

3. **5E's Subcommittee** Report presented by Matthew Dyr Dahl

- **Bicycle Friendly Community Feedback**

- The League of American Bicyclists (LAB) provided feedback on our application to upgrade our Bicycle Friendly Community (BFC) status.
- Nick said LAB will provide more detailed feedback soon.
- Matthew said that only a few suggestions were specific: adopt a Complete Streets policy, add arterial protected bike lanes and reduce road speeds.
- The remaining recommendations were very general/not specific enough.

- To achieve Platinum, we must make it a priority and start planning soon.
- **Subcommittee Agenda Planning**
 - Matthew provided a list of possible future Agenda topics for the Subcommittee.
 - Topics that staff has already committed to were highlighted.
 - Bike Week
 - Open Streets
 - Winter Maintenance
 - Complete Streets Policy
 - Develop a “Wow” streets program
 - Bike/Ped Count Program
 - Matthew asked for input on ideas.
 - Sarah Stewart said some topics might require small group meetings outside of Subcommittee meetings.
 - Greg suggested that for Enforcement, we could reach out to Precinct attorneys regarding how to put bike issues in roll call.
 - Need ways to get Officers involved besides just tickets.
 - The city of Portland, in conjunction with bicycle advocates, has produced a police training video which is available online via youtube.
 - Roy mentioned that we need to improve how we engage people in planning.
 - Sarah said we must define what we mean by equity in order to come up with specific goals.
 - Roy pointed out that Public Schools are a good way to reach out widely.
 - Will said he is working with Venture North on ways to make bicycling “cool” so that children don’t give up biking when they become young adults.
 - Sarah asked how we can work better with the PAC on common concerns.
 - Matthew said we could meet together regularly.
 - Peter Wagenius added that we also share issues with public transit.
 - Matthew explained that a “Wow” streets program would identify a few key corridors each year to make special so there is more impact.
 - What is the economic impact of improved bicycle facilities?
 - Ciara pointed out the need to update our Bike Plan.

4. **Engineering Subcommittee** Report presented by Ciara Schlichting -- **ACTIONS**

- **26th/28th Streets E -- ACTION**
 - Staff presented ideas to replace the refuge islands which were removed.
 - Subcommittee supported option #4 that restored the bike lane with bollards and added a curb extension on the other side of the street.
 - Acceptable plan for a protected intersection but it shouldn’t set a precedent.
 - Motion presented and passed unanimously.
- **West Lake Study -- ACTION**
 - The Study connects the proposed West Lake SWLRT Station to the neighborhood with bike/ped improvements.
 - Long list of recommendations but key relevant ones discussed (see motion).

- Hōkan said the Hennepin County BAC had a couple of reservations: bicyclists and pedestrians should not share the sidewalk from the Greenway to Excelsior, and the roundabout did not restrict eastbound traffic.
- A motion to support the recommendations passed unanimously with one abstention from Ciara.
- **Lake Calhoun/Lake Harriet Master Plan -- ACTION**
 - Ciara presented a motion to invite the Park Board to discuss this plan with the BAC.
 - A public meeting on the plan is scheduled for mid February.
 - The motion passed with one abstention from Ciara.
- **42nd Avenue N -- ACTION**
 - Complete reconstruction from Lyndale to Xerxes.
 - Plan to narrow travel lanes and put in 6 foot bike lanes with 6 foot landscaped buffer and 6 foot sidewalks.
 - Still early in planning process; work scheduled for 2018-19.
 - Motion to support the plan passed unanimously.
- **Franklin Avenue SE -- ACTION**
 - Section from 27th Ave to Emerald St.
 - Parking is only used by Church, so plan removes parking on both sides except for limited use on Saturday and Sunday and reduces posted speed limit to 25 mph.
 - No dedicated bike facility for the 2 blocks between Thornton and I-94 because no room.
 - Discussion of ongoing issue of limited church use of bike lanes for parking.
 - Motion to support the recommended layout passed unanimously.
- **2016 Protected Bikeway Program -- ACTION**
 - Three projects moving forward in 2016 as part of the “BIK28” program:
 - 11th Ave SE – W River Pkwy to 6th St S.
 - Blaisdell Ave S – 31st St E to 40th St E.
 - Franklin Ave E – 29th Ave S to Seabury Ave.
 - There are other protected bikeway projects, too, but funded with other sources.
 - Lindsey Wallace said extending 26th/28th over 35W was sorely needed.
 - Motion to support the 3 projects passed unanimously.
- **Hennepin Avenue**
 - Slated for 2020 reconstruction; early stage of planning.
 - Need to integrate many users including buses, cars, bikes, pedestrians.

5. Announcements

- Robin Garwood: meeting going on now about Franklin/Cedar/Minnehaha intersection at Precision Grind.
- Nick: reminder about International Winter Cycling Congress next week. Talk to him about volunteering.

The meeting was adjourned at 5:50 pm.

Minutes respectfully submitted by Janice Gepner.