

**Minneapolis Bicycle Advisory Committee Minutes**  
**March 27, 2013, 4 PM – 6 PM**  
**Room 333 Minneapolis City Hall**

**Members Present:** Richard Anderson, Lisa Bender, Joe Bernard, Billy Binder, Marin Byrne, Bill Dooley, Ethan Fawley, Paul Frenz, Robin Garwood, Janice Gepner, Hōkan, Joshua Houdek, Gina Mitteco, Shaun Murphy, Jennifer Ringold, Rose Ryan, Greg Sautter, Ciara Schlichting, Jim Skoog, Peter Wagenius, Georgianna Yantos

**Members Absent:** Brian Funk (excused), Bob Hain (excused), Roy Hallanger, Matthew Hendricks (excused), Nick Mason (excused), Gary Nelson, Sarah Stewart

**Others Present:** Amy Brugh, Ginger Cannon

### **Actions**

1. Hōkan was appointed Vice Chair of the Education, Encouragement, and Enforcement Subcommittee.
2. Ethan Fawley was appointed as BAC representative to the Midtown Corridor Alternatives Analysis group.

### **Summaries of Discussions**

The meeting was called to order at 4:06 pm and chaired by Ciara Schlichting. Following brief member introductions, the Agenda and the February Minutes were unanimously approved.

1. **Education, Encouragement, and Enforcement Subcommittee** Report from Marin Byrne
  - **Safety Campaign** is nearly completed and should be done by April.
  - **Target Bike Tour** arranged by Andy Rankin.
    - Very impressive facilities
    - Facilities help persuade job candidates to move here.
  - **Subcommittee Vice Chair** needed
    - Andy Rankin is no longer on the BAC, so Marin moved up from Subcommittee Vice Chair to Chair.
    - Hōkan was unanimously endorsed as new Vice Chair of this Subcommittee.
2. **Engineering Subcommittee** Report from Lisa Bender
  - **Minneapolis Park and Recreation Board Projects and Process**
    - Jennifer Ringold highlighted bike-relevant CIP (Capital Improvement Program) projects planned for 2013-2018. Document available on the web.
    - Robin and Jennifer will write up a process for BAC input into Park Board projects.

- Non-CIP projects will be discussed at next month's subcommittee meeting.
  - Park Board has a specified community engagement process.
  - **City Maintenance Projects**
    - Ongoing effort to implement Bike Master Plan during city maintenance projects.
    - Public Works staff selected three of the six projects we prioritized.
    - Inclusion of projects is limited by resources.
3. **2013 Bike/Pedestrian Projects** presented by Shaun Murphy
    - Bike/Pedestrian office now has funding for staff and projects from the city general fund.
    - Shaun distributed a map that shows many of the bike projects planned for 2013, and he described the projects.
    - Feedback was invited on the format of the map, so that a final version can be shared. Ciara asked Shaun to share details with the BAC in spread sheet form.
    - Janice asked Shaun to put map and spread sheet on website when available.
    - Should Bike/Ped office have to design all bike/ped projects?
    - Bike Plan was approved. How is it being implemented?
  4. **National Bike Summit** report from Paul Frenz
    - Group from Minnesota included 18-20 people.
    - Theme was "Bicycling Means Business" since no bills up this year.
    - Overall attendance down to around 700 from 900 last year.
    - Lots of congressional offices closed since big snow storm expected.
    - Congressmen & Senators were asked to participate in a bike ride this summer.
  5. **Update on Bike Law Changes at the MN Legislature** presented by Shaun Murphy. Both bills made it out of their Transportation committees and are part of omnibus bills.
  6. **Dean Parkway Trail Improvement Project** update from Janice Gepner. Janice described the plan, approved by the Park Board, to improve the bike and pedestrian trails along Dean Parkway and Cedar Lake Parkway.
  7. **BAC Representative for Midtown Corridor Alternatives Analysis**. Andrew had been our representative but is no longer on the BAC. Ethan Fawley volunteered and was unanimously approved.
  8. Announcements
    - Robin said public hearing regarding electric assist pedicabs hasn't happened yet.
    - Robin said 4<sup>th</sup> St SE plan may be revised as a result of public input.
    - Jennifer urged us to be informed and involved in planning for LRT Stations.
    - Joshua encouraged us to contact legislators regarding the Transit for a Stronger Economy legislation. There is also a Tuesday night phone bank.
    - Ethan provided an update on Open Streets events this summer. The first one is June 23 on Lyndale Av S. Announcements coming for Central Av in late July and Minnehaha in early August. Event on Lowry Av N will again be in September as part of Harvest Fest.

- Gina reported that the Met Council and MnDOT are working on a 7 County Master Plan defining regionally significant bicycle corridors. Focus groups are being formed.

The meeting was adjourned at 5:52 pm.