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## Approved Meeting Minutes – September 19, 2016

The City of Raleigh Bicycle & Pedestrian Advisory Committee met on Monday, September 19th, 2016 at 6:00 p.m. at the Raleigh Municipal Building, 222 W. Hargett St, Raleigh, NC with the following members present:

**Commission Members:**

Amy Simes, Chair  
Paul Nevill, Vice Chair  
Evan Brigham  
Nate Humphrey  
Dan Howe  
Mary Sell  
Rebecca Proudfoot  
Harry Johnson  
Susan Hatchell  
Aaron Peeler

**Staff:**

Eric Lamb, Transportation Planning Manager  
Jason Myers, AICP, Transportation Planner  
Deja Smith, Bicycle and Pedestrian Outreach  
Coordinator

### **I. Introduction**

Ms. Simes called the meeting to order at 6:02pm and asked everyone to introduce themselves.

### **II. Approval of Minutes**

Mr. Howe moved for approval of the July 18<sup>th</sup> minutes which was properly seconded by Mr. Nevill and approved by unanimous voice vote.

### **III. Public Comments**

Ms. Jennifer Delcourt from Active Routes to School invited BPAC to attend the Walk to School Day event at Conn Elementary School.

Mr. Adam Haller gave a presentation on his experience using Chicago's Bike Share program.

### **IV. Staff Reports**

**City Project Updates:** Mr. Lamb stated that there were no specific project updates.

**City Council Updates:** No report.

### **V. Committee & Chair Reports**

**Chair Report:** Mr. Brigham discussed the NC Bike Summit in Asheville.

**Joint Community Outreach and Pedestrian Planning Committee:** Mr. Nevill stated the committees discussed and finalized Walktober events for October 9<sup>th</sup>-South Park History Tour, October 16<sup>th</sup>-Sustainability Tour, and October 23<sup>rd</sup>-Raleigh Makers Tour.

**Bicycle Planning Committee:** Mr. Johnson discussed bike parking incentive programs and future bike share opportunities.

### **VI. Old Business**



Mr. Lamb gave an update on bike share. He indicated that the City had received five responses to its Request For Interest and that staff would be reviewing these responses to craft a Request for Proposals to solicit a vendor for the system.

#### **VII. New Business**

Nashville Peer + Aspiration City Report: Ms. Jennifer Baldwin from Alta Planning + Design presented information to the Commission regarding the peer city reports concerning bicycle and pedestrian improvements in Nashville, Tennessee. Raleigh, Indianapolis, Louisville and Memphis are considered peer cities, while Austin, Denver, Minneapolis and Seattle are considered aspirational cities.

Mr. Brigham inquired about what stood out about Raleigh. Ms. Baldwin responded that every other city had separated bike ways. Mr. Johnson and Mr. Nevill asked about the other cities count programs. Ms. Baldwin responded that most of the other cities include count programs. Ms. Baldwin also gave an overview of staffing levels associated with each program.

Blue Ridge Road Bike/Ped Improvement Project: Mr. Mike Surasky from A. Morton Thomas & Associates gave an overview of the proposed bicycle and pedestrian improvements along Blue Ridge Road. Mr. Nevill inquired about event traffic and project branding of the area. Mr. Howe asked about the possibility for developing state properties. Mr. Surasky explained that they are thinking of the future conditions of the area. Mr. Johnson asked about exploration of working with property owners. Mr. Lamb explained that eliminating the barrier effect of the Wade Avenue bridge for bicycles and pedestrians was the primary goal of the project.

#### **VIII. Board Comments**

Ms. Simes yielded the chair to Mr. Lamb for the purpose of electing new officers. Mr. Lamb opened the floor for chair nominations and Mr. Peeler was nominated by Mr. Howe. Seeing no other nominations, Mr. Lamb closed the floor and Mr. Peeler was elected chair by a unanimous voice vote.

Mr. Lamb opened the floor for nominations for vice chair. Mr. Johnson nominated Ms. Sell, and Mr. Nevill was nominated by Mr. Howe. After conducting a paper ballot vote, Mr. Lamb announced that Mr. Nevill was reelected Vice-Chair by a 7-3 vote.

#### **IX. Board Comments**

Ms. Proudfoot mentioned concerns over the interim period between Bicycle and Pedestrian coordinators and requested an update on the hiring process. Mr. Lamb explained that several positions in the new Transportation Department had been frozen, however this one has been posted and that he expects to have the position filled by November.

Ms. Howe inquired about safety for pedestrians in crosswalks and future programs for Pedestrian Planning to support. Mr. Johnson asked about recent enforcement efforts at crosswalks, and Mr. Lamb explained that this was part of a research project undertaken by ITRE.

Ms. Simes asked about a potential campaign to identify burned out pedestrian walk signs.

#### **X. Announcements**

Mr. Nevill mentioned the CARS ride is Sunday, 25 September at 7:30 am.

Mr. Brigham mentioned the WKNC Ride on Saturday, 24 September and Tour de Brew on Saturday, 8 October.

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Mr. Humphrey, Ms. Sell and Ms. Hatchell highlighted their respective Walktober events.

With no further business, the meeting adjourned at 7:31 pm.

Respectfully submitted,  
Deja Smith

