

MINUTES

BICYCLE SAFETY COMMITTEE

Monday, August 1, 2011

Attending:

Committee members - Mayor Pro Tem Gardner, Barbara Danzi, Sean Matsler, Tony Petros, John Heffernan, Tom Croxton, Steve Sholkoff

Staff - Dave Kiff, Brad Sommers, Steve Badum, David Spenser

Members of the Public - Jim Mosher, Dan Purcell, Amy Senk,

1. The meeting was called to order at 4:30 pm and introductions were made
2. Old Business: Capital Projects.
 - a. Key intersections - the striping program is aimed for an October start date. On Spyglass, the Homeowners Association (HOA) has requested the median line be painted to eliminate the gap, which will be done. Staff will try to schedule a Study Session for City Council on the changes.
 - b. Utility vehicles - the property management association for the master association in Newport Coast has been asked to come up with suggested solutions for maintenance vehicles in bike lanes.
3. Old Business: Education and outreach
 - a. Bike map - the plan is to put it online in draft form and ask for comments before going to a print version.
 - b. Most of the September meeting will be devoted to Bike Week planning. Suggestions include contacting a local action sports company to have their bike team perform (John Heffernan will make the contact), have restaurants participate, have a ride and picnic (police department will check special events calendar). A suggestion was made about having a Back Bay loop with various entities participating. The committee wanted to wait until Denis LaBonge was present to discuss the November bike ride.
4. OCBC update: Mr. Petros reported that Charles Larwood of OCTA is looking for bike-related projects. Mr. Petros and Mayor Pro Tem Gardner will contact him.
5. Corona del Mar (CdM) Business Improvement District (BID) meeting: Sean Matsler reported on the BID meeting. They were interested in Sharrows and liked the idea of green ones. They asked for a short list of pros and cons. Mr. Matsler and Mr. Petros will bring back a list. The BID also asked for a priority list of suggested bike rack locations in CdM.
6. Police report: there were 16 reported bike injury accidents in June. Twelve were deemed the cyclist's fault. Where cars were at fault, three were "dooring". Mr. Heffernan reported that in the Netherlands they train drivers to open the door with the right hand, forcing them to turn and look

for cyclists. The department is preparing a survey of five years' worth of data. The department has a potential donor of helmets and is pursuing the best method of distribution, particularly for at-risk youth.

7. New Business

- a. Bike storage—the committee was asked to comment on bike storage lockers. They felt that the example shown was unnecessary and better suited for train stations. Steve Sholkoff distributed photos of bike racks in Ashland, OR which the committee liked.

8. Public comment

No comments were offered.

9. The LA Dept. of Transportation has completed its year-long study of Sharrows. The report is available at their web site and also on Frank Peters' web site.

The meeting was adjourned. Next meeting, **SEPTEMBER 12, 2011**, in the Friends Room, Central Library.