



**BICYCLE ADVISORY COUNCIL (BAC)
TUESDAY MARCH 21, 2017 – 6:00 PM
CITY HALL – ROOM 1027
301 W. SECOND STREET
AUSTIN, TEXAS 78701**

MEETING MINUTES

Full Members in Attendance:

Sophia Benner – Chair
Tomasita Louviere-Ligons – Vice
Chair

Rebecca Brenneman
Tommy Eden
Kathryn Flowers

Miller Nuttle
Mike Sledge
Tom Wald

Alternate Members in Attendance:

Louis Alcorn
Brianna Frey

Alicia Santiago
Patricia Schaub

Tom Thayer
Pete Wall

Full Members Absent:

David Orr

Alternate Members Absent:

Teresa Anderson
Katie Deoloz

Jeremy Hernandez
Stanton Truxillo

Staff in Attendance:

Laura Dierenfield, Austin Transportation
Emily Smith, Austin Transportation

Rheannon Cunningham, Austin Police
Liane Miller, Austin Transportation Department

Guests in Attendance:

Laura Pierce Carbonneau
Kent Browning, Austin Ridge Riders
Charlie Watts, Travis County Transportation and Natural
Resources (TNR)
Cathy Stephens, Travis County TNR
John Woodley, ADA

Lizzie Welch
Lauryn Overhultz
Andrea Garcia
Thomas Hilde
Sounthaly Outhavong
Derrick Ko, Spin bikeshare

CALL TO ORDER: The meeting was called to order at 6:04 p.m. by Chair Sophia Benner.

1. INTRODUCTIONS

2. CITIZEN COMMUNICATION

- Doug Ballew: Request to install a 2-way cycle track through Givens Park connecting E.12th St. and Oak Springs. Currently the park road is one-way southbound between Givens Recreation Center and Oak Springs. For cyclists heading connecting Springdale to E. 12th St., this is a route that avoids a hill and traffic light at the intersection of Springdale and E. 12th St.

3. REVIEW AND APPROVAL OF FEBRUARY MEETING MINUTES

The February meeting minutes were unanimously approved (8-0) on Mike Sledge motion and Kathryn Flowers second. The approved minutes can be found on the BAC's meeting documents [webpage](#).

4. ITEMS FROM BAC

A. Youth Mountain Bike Trail in/near Central/South East Austin – Discussion and Possible Action

Laura Pierce Carbonneau and Kent Browning presented draft recommendation language to the BAC for consideration and answered BAC member questions regarding their proposal.

Action taken: A motion to approve the recommendation language below passed unanimously (8-0):

“NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Bicycle Advisory Council supports the efforts of Austin Ridge Riders and partners to develop more beginner Mountain Bike trails in or near the core/central east Austin (including but not necessarily limited to Country Club Creek greenbelt, Roy Guerrero Park, and along the Southern Walnut Creek trail) and asks the Parks and Recreation Department to expedite such projects in collaboration with any other City department or program.”

The [recommendation](#) can be found on the BAC's meeting documents [webpage](#).

B. Travis County Transportation Plan – Briefing

Charlie Watts and Cathy Stephens, Travis County Transportation and Natural Resources (TNR), briefed the BAC on the upcoming Travis County Transportation Plan, including an overview of the plan, development schedule, public engagement goals, planning considerations, survey results, Wikimap results, common themes from focus groups, next steps, and ways to get involved.

The [presentation](#) can be found on the BAC's meeting documents [webpage](#). Staff contact information and sign-ups for plan updates can be found on the Travis County Transportation Plan [website](#).

C. Austin Strategic Mobility Plan – Briefing

Liane Miller, Austin Transportation Department, briefed the BAC on the Austin Strategic Mobility Plan, including why we need a new Strategic Mobility Plan, mobility considerations, final products, relationship to CodeNEXT, public engagement, integrated planning approach, and other mobility initiatives.

The [presentation](#) can be found on the BAC's meeting documents [webpage](#). Staff contact information and sign-ups for plan updates can be found on the Austin Strategic Mobility Plan [website](#).

D. Austin Independent School District (AISD) Facility Master Plan and Sustainability Plan Recommendation – Discussion and Possible Action

Kathryn Flowers, Sophia Benner and Tom Wald presented draft recommendation language for the BAC's consideration.

Action taken: After debate and amendment, a motion to approve the recommendation language below passed unanimously (8-0) on Tom Wald motion and Mike Sledge second:

“NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Bicycle Advisory Council recommends that the AISD Facilities Master Plan includes the following:

- Recommendation that the front/main access to all new schools constructed be located on streets with a posted speed limit below 35 mph, preferably with the traffic volumes of a local street.

- Recommendation that all school properties be designed with pedestrian and bicyclist access in mind and ensure a safe, reliable, and easily accessible ingress and egress from the street to bicycle parking and campus destinations, especially during peak periods.
- Special attention should be paid to the effect or impact of drop-off and pickup queuing on bicycle facilities.
- Recommendation that all schools be required to provide at least the minimum amount of bicycle parking to ensure that there is enough bicycle parking to meet the current and future demand.
- Recommendation that AISD coordinate with local transportation jurisdictions to include active transportation facilities and connectivity approaching schools for all ages and abilities.”

The [recommendation](#) can be found on the BAC’s meeting documents [webpage](#).

5. FUTURE ITEMS

This is a running list of potential future agenda items that have been proposed by BAC members and/or staff which may be placed on a future BAC agenda. These items were not discussed by the BAC as part of this agenda.

- Pedicab access during street closures for events (April)
- Bicycle access at drive through facilities (April)
- Big Jump Initiative (April)
- Austin B-cycle

6. ANNOUNCEMENTS/ADJOURN

Meeting was adjourned at 8:14 pm by Chair Sophia Benner.