



**BICYCLE ADVISORY COUNCIL (BAC)
TUESDAY MAY 15, 2018 – 6:00 PM
AUSTIN CITY HALL – ROOM 1027
301 W. SECOND STREET AUSTIN, TEXAS 78701**

MEETING MINUTES

CALL TO ORDER: The meeting was called to order at 6:00 p.m. by Chair Tomasita Louviere-Ligons.

Full Members in Attendance:

Tomasita Louviere-Ligons (Chair)

Kathryn Flowers (Vice Chair)

Tommy Eden

Tristan Heinen

James Lentz

Raquel Marie Ortega

Alicia Santiago

Full Members Absent:

Louis Alcorn

Patricia Schaub

Alternate Members in Attendance:

Katie Deoloz

John Koonz

Lori Merlino

Tom Thayer

Alternate Members Absent:

Teresa Anderson

Eryn Moris

Christopher Heathcott

Tom Wald

City Staff in Attendance:

Emily Smith, Austin Transportation Department (ATD)

Laura Dierenfield, ATD

Jesse Duncan, ATD

Neil Quarles, ATD

Ann DeSanctis, ATD

Ryan Mooney, ATD

Guests in Attendance:

Joseph Green, Bike Austin

Karen Sironi

Rémy Greinhofer

Nina Rinaldi

Jason VanFickel

1. INTRODUCTIONS

2. CITIZEN COMMUNICATION: GENERAL

- Nina Rinaldi: requested BAC assistance in advocating for bike parking at an apartment complex.
- Karen Sironi: showed pictures of traffic calming devices installed on Austin streets and requested the BAC discuss the City's Local Area Traffic Management program again.

3. APPROVAL OF APRIL 2018 MEETING MINUTES

The April 17, 2018 meeting minutes were approved as amended on Heinen motion, Lentz second on a 6-0 vote with Alcorn and Schaub absent and Santiago not yet present. The [approved minutes](#) can be found on the BAC's [webpage](#).

4. ITEMS FROM BAC

A. Security Bolts for Bike Racks and Bike Parking Requirement Minimums – Discussion and Possible Action

BAC member Raquel Ortega gave a presentation, which included: Why Bicycle Parking Matters, City of Austin Bicycle Parking Code, City of Austin Auto Parking Code, Bicycle Parking on City Websites, and Bicycle Advisory Council Draft Recommendation.

Jesse Duncan, Austin Transportation Department (ATD) Active Transportation and Street Design Division, gave a presentation regarding current bike rack installation issues, solutions, Transportation Criteria Manual and CodeNEXT updates, and website updates.

Laura Dierenfield, Austin Transportation Department (ATD) Active Transportation and Street Design Division Manager, gave a presentation regarding dockless mobility and bike parking.

No action taken. Ortega will refine her draft recommendation language for the full BAC's consideration at their next meeting in June. More information regarding bike parking in the City of Austin can be found [here](#).

B. Standards for bikeway detours during construction – Discussion and Possible Action (7:15 – 7:35)

James Lentz presented draft recommendation language to the BAC which, after debate and amendment, read as follows:

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Bicycle Advisory Council recommends that the Compliance Information documents be added to and amended as follows:

- *That the Austin Transportation Department create a new MG document specifically on cycling considerations*
- *That the MG document and standards for bike lanes include wayfinding signage so the continuation of the bike lane around construction is clear, and, on roads where a marked detour is deemed unnecessary, that additional signage be erected that states “Bicycles May Use Full Lane”*
- *That the MG document reiterate the standards specified in the Bike Lane Standard Details, including the 5' minimum width for bikeway detours*
- *That the TCP Submittal Checklist include the current condition of cycling facilities as part of plan preparation, and that the checklist include reference to the cycling MG document*
- *That, in addition to the current point on the checklist that the detour should be driven prior to implementation, the checklist include a point that the detour should be biked prior to implementation*
- *That Mobility Guideline MG-03, Closures and Detours, be amended to advise against the closure of bikeways and include reference to the new Mobility Guideline concerning facilities for people who bike*

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Bicycle Advisory Council also recommends that regulations be incorporated into the Transportation Criteria Manual to support mobility of bicyclists through work zones.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, the BAC requests that ATD returns to the BAC with a draft Mobility Guideline document for possible revisions or endorsement.

Action taken: a motion to approve the recommendation as amended was adopted on Ortega motion, Flowers second on a 7-0 vote with Alcorn and Schaub absent.

The [recommendation](#) can be found on the BAC's [webpage](#). More information about traffic control requirements, including [Bike Lane Standard Details](#), can be found [here](#).

C. Monthly update on fatalities caused by traffic crashes – Discussion and Possible Action (7:35 – 7:45)

Pedestrian Advisory Council (PAC) member Adam Greenfield requested that the BAC add a standing item to their agendas to allow for a BAC member to read the names of all those killed in traffic crashes Austin's streets since the last BAC meeting at the beginning of every BAC meeting. He also read aloud the names of the fifteen people killed in traffic crashes on Austin's streets since the BAC last met: Unidentified male, Juan Carlo Orduna Luna, Afshin Andrew Sustaita, Ethan Childress, Dean Hood, and Dystany Farrias.

Action taken: A motion to add a standing item to regular BAC meeting agendas for updates on fatalities in Austin caused by traffic crashes was adopted on Santiago motion, Heinen second on a 7-0 vote with Alcorn and Schaub absent. Santiago

and Deollos also volunteered to compile names from Austin Police Department press releases in the case that Schaub (the item sponsor) could not attend a future regular BAC meeting.

D. UPDATES

- **Staff:** Emily Smith: encouraged meeting attendees to attend Bike to Work Day on May 18, join the Love to Ride [Austin Biking Challenge](#), and take the [Austin Strategic Mobility Plan](#) and [Project Connect](#) surveys.
- **BAC Bylaws Subcommittee:** Kathryn Flowers: the subcommittee met last on April 24, is scheduling a meeting for May, and plans to present their recommendations at the full BAC in June.
- **Pedestrian Advisory Council:** Emily Smith: In May, the PAC received a briefing from Public Works regarding the implementation of the Sidewalk Plan / ADA Transition Plan.
- **Urban Transportation Commission:** Emily Smith: in May, the UTC received a briefing regarding Taxicab Ordinance Reform.
- **City Council Mobility Committee:** No update.
- **Vision Zero Task Force:** No update.
- **Multimodal Community Advisory Committee:** No update.

E. FUTURE ITEMS/ANNOUNCEMENTS

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

- Security Bolts for Bike Racks + Bike Parking Requirement Minimums (Ortega; June)
- BAC Bylaws (Flowers; June)
- Shoal Creek Trail: Vision and Action Plan (Staff; June)
- Speedway (Lentz; August)
- Railroad crossings (Eden)
- Congress Avenue Streetscape and Urban Design Initiative
- Sidewalk Riding Code Changes

F. ADJOURN

Meeting was adjourned at 8:05 p.m. by Chair Tomasita Louviere-Lignons.