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BTF Meeting July 10, 2007

Attendance

David Rathbone, Del Sudkamp, Colleen Carboni, Melissa Taylor, Philip Pugliese, Daisy Blanton, Hugh Worthy, Ann Brinkworth.

BTF Focus

Discussion was held regarding the lack of progress in some areas of the Bicycle Master Plan. Efforts are still being made to spend funds that were originally allocated for Priority I of the bicycle plan from 2003. Facilities enhancements and special projects such as the requested tunnel warning lights are still pending in Public Works. As a follow-up to last month's discussion, the general consensus was to re-focus the Bicycle Task Force on ensuring the implementation of these transportation elements of the bicycle plan while programmatic elements of education and general advocacy would be directed through Bike Chattanooga. The objective is not to abdicate responsibility in any area, but to segment our activities appropriately for the best results.

A motion was made by Melissa Taylor to revise the Bylaws as below. Seconded by Daisy Blanton.

ARTICLE VI Meetings

The BTF shall meet at least 10 times per year. The regular meetings are scheduled for the second Tuesday of each month and as requested by a quorum vote.

To read

The BTF shall meet at least 6 times per year. The regular meetings are scheduled for the second Tuesday of every other month and as requested by a quorum vote.

Discussion was held explaining that this would allow BTF to concentrate on matters before the TPO and how they specifically impact the Bicycle Plan. Motion passed unanimously. Meetings will be scheduled to coordinate with regularly scheduled TPO meetings. See http://www.chcrpa.org/Divisions_and_Functions/TPO/TPO_Meeting_Schedule.htm for a complete list. Our next BTF meeting will be Tuesday, August 14.

Bike2Work

Bike2Work continues at our new location at the Walnut Street Square. However, the Coolidge Park group ride location now is not an attractive meeting location. With several people commuting in from the Red Bank area, Melissa suggested that she would lead a group from the Duck Pond at 7:00 am. This will be sent out to the Bike2Work mail list. It was recommended that the TPO be given the opportunity to continue support for our Bike2Work campaign in 2008. We will continue to source private sponsorships for this and other programming such as the Bike Valet but TPO will be given the first option to fund costs associated with Bike2Work for 2008.

TPO Agenda

Transportation Improvement Plan (TIP)

The TPO is revising its TIP for 2008-2001. Our primary alternative transportation project has been submitted by the Trust for Public Land to provide for preliminary engineering work for a bicycle/pedestrian component to cross the Tennessee River at the C B Robinson Bridge. This has been approved by the TIP Review Committee. Other bicycle facility improvements will be included with major construction projects submitted by the City and County.

The TPO is beginning its review of the Long Range Transportation Plan (LRTP). It is essential for the BTF to

review elements of the Bicycle Plan and ensure that any potential changes be included in this process. Any projects to be funded must be in the LRTP.

SRTS Summer Bike Camp Update

We currently are expecting 8 students for the July 16-20, Bicycle Summer Camp for students age 10-15.

BikeAway Systems

Ann Brinkworth reported that BikeAway systems has just received their first demonstration unit from England. Plans continue to implement a local manufacturing facility for this bike parking solution. We hope to be able to inspect the unit within the next two weeks.

Update

Public Works has advised that parts are complete for the tunnel warning light project and should be installed soon, once work is complete on the 26th & Broad Street project.

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