



City of Beaverton

Bicycle Advisory Committee (BAC)

Meeting Minutes for Thursday, May 9th, 2019

Meeting began at 6:33 PM

Call to Order: Introductions and meeting was called to order at 6:33 PM. Meeting was held at the Beaverton Building in the Columbia River Room.

Present: Stacy Revay, Adrian Freund, Brian Walker, Michael Hashizume, Amanda Koppel, Corey McManus, Ben Howard (Beaverton Police Department), John Carrington, Tri Le, Brian Schultz, Michael Dunlevy

Guests: Chris Hardwick, Naomi Fast, Chris Ayzoukian (Patricia Reser Center for the Arts)

Absent: Mike Mulligan, Councilor Laura Mitchell

Approval of Minutes: May 9th, 2019 meeting minutes were approved at 6:34 PM

Committee Photo:

A photographer from the City of Beaverton took staged and candid committee photos.

Public Comment

A member of the public, Chris Hardwick, owns a farmhouse on Scholls Ferry. Scholls Ferry (a Washington County facility) was widened in recent years to include bike lanes. The road widening included some frontage from his property.

Chris suggests a different approach to building bike lanes, to use a porous asphalt that goes to storefronts to support many modes of mobility. He believes that that would be advantageous for many modes, would conserve space, and would be easier to maintain.



Patricia Reser Center for the Arts: Chris Ayzoukian

Chris Ayzoukian, who is the general manager for the Patricia Reser Center for the Arts (PRCA) joined the committee to give a presentation on the PRCA.

The City is constructing the PRCA to fulfill some goals of the community as outlined by the Beaverton Community Vision Action Plan--to establish and grow Beaverton's identity as a premier destination for arts and culture, and to create a mixed-use, walkable downtown.

The PRCA will be a two-story, 43,000 square foot space that will be comprised of a 550 seat theater, and other multi-purpose spaces. Directly next to the PRCA, the City will construct a six-story parking garage. The site will be located behind the Round, adjacent to Beaverton Creek.

The PRCA is a public/private partnership with funding raised from Transient Lodging Taxes (TLT) and a total budget of \$46 million. The project's estimated date to break ground is Q4 2019, and its estimated completion date is Q2 2021.

In terms of active transportation infrastructure, there will be 16 short-term bike parking spaces (8 bike racks), in addition to 38 long-term bike parking spaces (19 bike racks) located inside the new parking garage. Naomi Fast remarked that the planned bike parking was limited.

Several members of the BAC had questions and concerns regarding the parking garage. Corey McManus pointed out that the garage will be much larger than the PRCA, and that the garage will be one of the tallest buildings in the area.

Chris discussed a traffic study that had been conducted for the area, which had concluded that the peak hours of the PRCA will likely be evenings and weekends, which will. Brian Walker brought up concerns about traffic emerging from the PRCA and the backups it may on cause on Millikan Way as people drive down Rose Biggi to Canyon.

The Committee also discussed the arts aspects of the center. Michael Dunlevy asked if there are plans for a sculpture garden or any kind of outdoor art. Chris replied that a percentage of the budget had been set aside for that, and a lead artist has been selected to lead the effort.



Education/Why We Ride/Picnic in the Park

The Committee discussed working groups for several ongoing initiatives. Three groups have been established:

- An education working group, made up of Tri Le, Brian Walker, and Mike Mulligan have been tasked with solidifying ideas for the July 25th Picnic in the Park event at Greenway Park.
- Michael Dunlevy and Brian Schultz have formed a group to work on the "Why We Ride" project to profile cyclists in Beaverton.
- And a goals review work group, to reassess the BAC's stated goals. Brian Schultz, Mike Mulligan, and Adrian Freund comprise this group.

City of Beaverton Updates: Stacy Revay

Staff liaison for the City of Beaverton Stacy Revay had some updates from the City for the Committee.

There are currently two open positions on the BAC. On June 18th, Lani Parr from the City's Neighborhood Program will recommend to Beaverton City Council that both Brian Schultz and Michael Dunlevy be appointed official members of the BAC. This date was moved to a July Council meeting as of Friday, June 7th.

A company in Beaverton, Fiserv, wants to donate bikes to children in Beaverton. Stacy has coordinated with Fiserv to create a plan to give 10-20 bikes to students of McKay Elementary School. Employees at Fiserv are planning to assemble these bikes on Wednesday, June 5th from 9am-2pm.

Stacy asked that BAC member volunteer time and/or tools for their assembly. She also mentioned that McKay Elementary is accepting book donations to give to students in an attempt to avoid the "summer slide," a phenomenon where students lose reading abilities over the summer break.

Stacy delivered a summary of news from the City to the Committee:

- The City's Public Works Department has earned a national accreditation from the American Public Works Association.
- National Police Week begins May 13th, and National Public Works Week is May 19th-25th.
- The City of Beaverton has launched a one-year pilot program for Safe Parking. The program aims to provide people experiencing homelessness resources for employment and stable housing.



Oregon Active Transportation Summit Attendees

On Thursday, April 25th, several members of the BAC--Adrian Freund, Brian Walker, Michael Hashizume, and Stacy Revay--attended the Oregon Active Transportation Summit, hosted by the Street Trust. The Summit was held at the Oregon Zoo and included several panel discussions and speakers.

Stacy moderated a panel, Transit Connections in Suburban and Mixed Land Use Environments, which included engineers and planners from many nearby municipalities. This session explored projects to make better transit connections in Washington and Clackamas Counties. It also included case studies of successful employer programs from the Westside Transportation Alliance, results of Washington County's Strategic Solutions for First Mile/Last Mile Transit Connections Project and plans for campus connections for Clackamas Community College.

Members recounted highlights of the Summit for the Committee. Adrian discussed the Summit's keynote by former Secretary of Transportation Anthony Foxx, and lunch keynote speaker Charles Brown, who discussed equity in the transportation field and how it affects communities of color.

Brian Walker recalled the "Voices from Williams Avenue" panel discussion, which covered development in North Portland (I5, Legacy Emanuel Hospital, and the Rose Quarter) and how it adversely impacted the black community. He also attended a session about Oregon's Bike Bill, and how transportation needs have changed since its initial passage.

Michael Hashizume talked about the "Black Civic Engagement Matters" panel he attended, which discussed how local governments can improve outreach to underserved communities. He mentioned that the BAC could improve its outreach and messaging around Beaverton in order to reach those underrepresented demographics.

Meeting adjourned at 8:33 PM