

Attendees:

Members: Lori Duguid, Aaron Schill, Laura Shinn, Joshua Kimsey, James Silcott

Advisory Member: Betsy Pandora

Staff: Randy Bowman, Bill Lewis, Nick Popa, Daniel Moorhead

Guests: David Roseman, Tara Reprogle, Jody Dzurainin, Kat Fridenmaker, Andrew Neutzling, Cole Miller, Jeff Stephens, Brian Hagerty

Members Not in Attendance: None

The following notes summarize the items which were discussed at the Bicycle Sub-Committee (BSC) meeting held on January 30, 2013:

Previous Meeting Notes

- No changes necessary.

Action Item: Oakland Park Ave Sharrows

- Sharrows will be installed on Oakland Park Ave between Karl Rd and Dresden St
- Purpose is to connect Karl Rd bike facility with new Dresden St bicycle boulevard
- Connection is two 18 feet wide lanes; 0.39 miles and seven blocks long
- Parking is prohibited on well over half of the segment and rarely used where permitted.
- Two options for lateral position of sharrows:
 - Option A – center of travel lane; avoids parked cars but risks cars passing bicyclists on the right
 - Option B – five feet from face of curb; suggests safer lateral positioning for bicyclists most of the time but risks cars parking on sharrows
- **Bike Subcommittee voted 5-0 in favor of Option B**

Downtown Action Plan

- Second Working Group meeting was held in December to discuss the proposed bike facility on High St
- Comment: parking on High St made it less safe for bikes

Action Items:

1. *Subcommittee to continue to be prepared to be consulted regarding Downtown Action Plan.*

Share the Road Campaign

- Background
 - The 2013 Share the Road education and engagement program is a continuation of the 2009 High Street pilot program
 - The pilot included engineering (signs and sharrows); engaged stakeholders (advisory committee, meetings with COTA, CPD, OSU); and limited, targeted education (PSAs, Bike to Work Week event, media relations)
 - The focus now will be city-wide education and engagement
- To Develop the Campaign
 - Surveyed cycling organizations to inventory their programs, seek their input on education priorities
 - Benchmarked best education practices in other cities
 - Reviewed other bicycling-related input (from neighborhood meetings)
 - Met with COTA, Columbus Police Department
 - Convened the Share the Road Organizing Committee
 - Engineering is proceeding on a separate course, but providing further outreach opportunities
- Findings Drove Campaign Development
 - Target both motorists and bicyclists
 - Keep it positive
 - Use multiple communication methods
 - Meet goals of our major sponsor: ODOT
 - Columbus will provide a template other cities may use
 - Provide a summary report with lessons learned and useful tips
- Share the Road Goals
 - Overall:
 - Increase the safety of bicyclists and motorists using our roadways
 - Specific campaign goals:
 - Improve bicyclists' and motorists' knowledge of and compliance with traffic laws
 - Encourage mutual respect and appreciation for all road users
 - Create widespread awareness of the benefits of bicycling and sharing the road

- Campaign Elements
 - Launch event
 - Traffic check-points
 - TV/video, radio, billboards
 - Updated micro website
 - Informational materials
 - Social media
 - Banners
 - E-News
- Idea: Target K-12 bike commuters
- Idea: Clear Channel to donate airtime PSA in Cleveland for Share the Road; maybe Columbus can get donated time also
- Comment: Metro High School student said it would be beneficial to show high school students that bicycling is an option to get to school

Update to Bicentennial Bikeways Plan

- Scope Advisory Group Meetings begin in February 2013
- Request for Proposals expected in 2nd Quarter 2013
- Notice to Proceed expected in 3rd Quarter 2013
- Plan expected to be completed in 2014

2013 Resurfacing Bike Projects

- Dresden Street Bicycle Boulevard – Weber Road to Oakland Park Ave
- Ohio Avenue / Champion Avenue Sharrows – Mooberry Street to Leonard Avenue
- Oak Street Bicycle Boulevard
- Request for overview of bike plan at next meeting
- Question: When comparing the 2013 resurfacing list to the Bicentennial Bikeway Plan, were opportunities for bikeways projects not contained in the bike plan considered? Answer: Yes.

Action Item:

2. *Staff to present overview of bike plan at next meeting*

Abandoned Bicycles

- Staff is developing procedures for impounding abandoned bicycles in the right-of-way or bicycles attached to infrastructure in need of maintenance, repair, or removal.

Hamilton Road Project

- Project is a total rebuild and widening of Hamilton Road between Morse Road and Dublin-Granville Road
- Bike lanes and shared use path on the east side are included in the project
- Consider Biking: Request for shared-use path on both sides of Hamilton Rd (additional \$1 million would be required to acquire necessary right-of-way)
- Aaron Schill suggested looking at two 8' paths on both sides of the road in lieu of one 10' path

Rich St / Town St bike facility

- Rich St and Town St will be converted to two-way operation in 2013 between Grubb St and Belle St
- Town St will have bike lanes
- Rich St will have sharrows
- Grubb St will be reversed from one-way southbound to one-way northbound and have sharrows installed between Rich St and Town St
- Comment to add sharrows to Grubb St between Sullivant Ave and Rich St

"Parking Lot" Issues

- Request: When parking lot is on agenda, it should be addressed in more depth

Other Business:

- None

Action Items Summary:

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2. Staff to present overview of bike plan at next meeting