



MEETING NOTES

Redmond Pedestrian and Bicycle Advisory Committee

May 9, 2011 6:30 PM City Hall Trestle Room

ATTENDEES:

Arnie Tomac, Glenn and Bertha Eades, Heidi Angel, Evan Morris, Chris Thomas, Yvonne Wang

MEETING AGENDA

1. **King County Bike Share Planning Project:** Chester Knapp provided an update on the King County Bikesharing Feasibility study. King County has received grant funding to develop a game plan which will identify critical issues; develop a business model; and identify and evaluate funding/partnership options in order to implement a successful bike sharing program. Alta Planning has been hired to help with this effort. Six areas have been identified for evaluation. One of these areas is Downtown Redmond/Microsoft Campus. King County would like to launch a program in some of these areas in 2012. Chester will report out on further progress at the September meeting.

Questions raised by the Committee included:

- Would there be a fee to use the bikes? Yes.
- Is Microsoft being considered as a partner? Yes, Microsoft is a participant in the feasibility study.
- Is the Willows corridor part of the study? Not directly, but it could be in future expansion.
- Type of bike needs to work for our weather and terrain? There is a lot of debate around this and it is still being evaluated.
- How would helmets be handled? This is to be determined, and is an important issue.
- Could people move from area to area with the bikes? Moving between areas will likely be part of the final system.
- Who will use it? To be successful it will need to meet the needs of various user groups. Last mile for transit riders or drivers, and also residents in these mixed use areas are key customer groups.
- Maintenance? Companies typically provide capital and maintenance contract.
- Most successful? Probably Paris, DC, Montreal.

2. **2012-2017 Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) Update:** City staff discussed the annual update of the TIP, handed out a copy of the 11-15 TIP, and provided information on the following key TIP projects that will change in the 12-16 TIP (*comments are in italics*):

By the end of 2011, the projects with status changes will be:

Substantially Complete

- C8 – 185th Avenue Extension
- L10 – 160th Avenue NE Extension Preliminary Design

Projects to Remove (will not to be constructed in next 6 years)

- B10 – Puget Sound Energy Trail (from Sammamish River Trail to Red-Wood Road): *If this project is going to be removed and the trail will remain soft surface there should be some enhanced maintenance done to improve this section of trail.*
- B27 – Neighborhood Connections (this is a concept not a project – will be addressed in TMP update as a plan principle/project criteria)
- B30 – Willows Creek Trail from 142nd Ave to PSE Trail (Project remains in long-range portion of PARCC Plan and TMP)
- C54 – 148th Avenue NE Improvements (L8-148th Corridor Master Plan will complete planning and preliminary design for project)

Projects to Modify

- C27 – 148th Ave NE Multi-use Path over SR 520 (Move project to Bike and Pedestrian section.)
- C58 – Cleveland Street Streetscape (Modify scope of project limits to 161st Ave NE and 164th Ave NE.)

Proposed Projects to Add (Grant Opportunities, etc.)

- B38 – Redmond Central Connector Phase 2 (Trail enhancement along initial segment, 2016)
- B39 – 148th Ave NE Multi-use Path over SR 520 (Formerly project C27): *This project is more of a pedestrian project than a bike project. It is very important. 148th Ave NE is an unpleasant place for pedestrians and bikes, but there is a strong existing demand for nonmotorized travel across this bridge that needs to be better served.*
- S48 - NE 116th St and 172nd Ave NE Roundabout (Split remaining NE 116th St project into section associated with roundabout and remaining project)

The Committee commented on continuing to keep this list focused on the most important projects in order to encourage implementation.

3. **Tour de Redmond 2011:** City staff presented plans for Tour de Redmond. An e-mail was provided after the meeting to Committee members.

4. **Updates:**

- a. PBAC/Redmond "Road 1" Effective Cycling – May 12 & 14 – Training will be on Thursday, 5/12 from 6-9 PM and on Saturday, 5/14 from 9:30 AM-2 PM. A

combination of City staff, Committee members and the community will participate in the training. Thanks again to Jim Albers for volunteering his time to teach the class. If you want to participate please contact 425-556-2750.

b. Project Updates – None.

5. **Other Business:** Please bring any additional pedestrian and bicycle issues to share and discuss.

a. The Committee wanted to thank Parks for the minor improvements at Slough Park along the Sammamish River Trail.

b. Lines and bike symbols on 76th and 65th are worn out.

Next meeting is June 13, 2011.