



MINUTES
MANHATTAN BICYCLE ADVISORY COMMITTEE
Commission Room, City Hall
1101 Poyntz Ave, Manhattan, KS 66502
March 19th, 2013

Members Present: Ben Champion, Dave Colburn, Joe Edmunds, Brian Hardeman, Patrick McLaughlin, Seth Scobee, Katy Vaughan

Members Absent: Michael Wesch

Staff Present: Danielle Vaughn, Bicycle and Pedestrian Coordinator; Lance Evans, Long-Range Planner; Peter Clark, Civil Design Engineer

Public Attendance: 1

B. Champion called the meeting to order at 3:35 p.m. on March 19, 2013

Staff Reports:

1. D. Vaughn reported on bike month activities and led a discussion about other activity ideas. Some of the ideas that were presented and discussed were the progressive dinner, a bike prom, and a commuter challenge between schools. Although some of this may not be feasible for this year, due to time constraints, we would like to be sure to keep them for next year's bike month.
2. P. Clark reported on the status of numerous projects: the Bluemont Corridor Project, the CIP Request, and the Transportation Enhancement Grant. P. Clark informed members that the Bluemont Corridor Project will begin the Monday after graduation. Next, he stated that the CIP Request, which includes the addition of bicycle boulevards and pedestrian crossings, has been submitted. Finally, P. Clark reported on the Transportation Enhancement Grant and stated that it has moved forward. There will be a site visit in April to the planned location for the pedestrian bridge. After providing updates on the aforementioned projects, P. Clark reported on the status of the bike racks. P. Clark and D. Vaughn visited the proposed locations for the bike racks and learned that some will need

to be re-thought. There was a short discussion on the locations and members would like to add them into the plans for the new N. Manhattan design.

KDOT Safe Routes to School Application

1. P. Clark reported on the 2013 Safe Routes to School application, which is currently open. There is an individual at K-State who would like to contribute to the 2013 application by collecting data from the school district and helping with research. P. Clark would like to develop a Phase 1 plan and submit a new application this year.

Bike Promotion

1. D. Vaughn reported on ideas to help promote bicycling, such as a “Bike Everywhere” campaign that would include video vignettes. Members of the BAC then contributed their own ideas for how to develop a strong bike/pedestrian community in MHK. Some of the ideas included social media, contacting media outlets such as Manhattan Magazine to cover a story, and having regular rides and events.

MPO TAC Report

1. B. Champion reported on the Metropolitan Planning Organization’s Technical Advisory Committee. B. Champion stated that this was their first meeting and that the committee is beginning to organize projects.

Time Change for BAC Meetings

1. B. Champion led a discussion about changing the time of the BAC meetings, however there was no motion, so the meetings will continue to be the third Tuesday of every month at 3:30 pm.

The meeting adjourned at 4:48 pm.

Next Meeting: April 16th, 2013.