



BICYCLE AND PEDESTRIAN ADVISORY COMMISSION
City Hall, Periwinkle Room
333 Broadalbin Street SW
September 22, 2015
7 p.m.

MINUTES

Commission Members Present: Steve Pensinger, Tim McCloud, Terry Virnig, Stephen Van Buskirk, Jim Lawrence
Commission Members Absent: Mark Siddall (excused)
Staff Present: Ron Irish (Transportation Systems Analyst)
Others Present: None

CALL TO ORDER

Chair Pensinger called the meeting to order at 7:12 p.m.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

The minutes from the meeting of August 25, 2015, were approved by a vote of 5 to 0.

CONSTRUCTION & DEVELOPMENT PROJECT UPDATE

Irish discussed the status of various construction projects involving bicycle and pedestrian facilities. City projects included North Albany Road and Gibson Hill Road. The Lowe's project is in the process of extending the Periwinkle Path north across its site to 9th Avenue. Irish also described a series of grant projects being considered that will involve pedestrian improvements.

ALBANY SPRING ROLL BIKE EVENT

Commissioners discussed the possibility of organizing a Spring Roll event in Albany similar to the event that has occurred in Corvallis the past several years. Individual Commissioners have been in contact with the organizers of the Corvallis event in order to gain advice and support for starting a similar event in Albany.

Commissioners asked Irish to check with the Parks Department on the availability of various City parks to host the event on either July 5th or July 12th.

HOST FOR OREGON SAFE ROUTES TO SCHOOL EVENT

Irish reported that Tarah Campi had submitted an application last month for Albany to host this year's statewide SR2S event. Campi was scheduled to have a conference call with event organizers this week, and Irish will report on the status of the application at the next Commission meeting.

OTHER BUSINESS

Commissioner Lawrence passed out copies of a letter he had written encouraging parents of students who had taken the bike education class to consider cycling with them to school one or two days a week on a regular basis. The Commission was supportive of the idea and suggested that the letter be included in the information packet sent home with students just prior to each education class.

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Commissioners discussed a new intersection design concept for cyclists called “protected intersections” and its potential application at the Queen/Geary intersection in Albany. An example of the concept was recently constructed in Davis, California.

NEXT MEETING DATE

The next meeting will take place on Tuesday, October 27, 2015, at 7:00 p.m., in Albany City Hall.

ADJOURNMENT

The meeting adjourned at 8:30 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Ron Irish
Transportation Systems Analyst