NOTES

Welcome / Introductions: 5:30-5:40

17 Miles of 8 New Protected Bike Lanes 2019-2020 – Brittany Price, PW: 5:40-6:00
  • Brittany Price showed Elevate Denver GO Bond Projects
  • 6 Public Meetings for PBLs; several still coming up in May → MBAC is highly encouraged to attend!!!
  • Avi: We would like to see a map that’s useful; what’s the context of these Protected Bike Lanes? (PBLs)
  • Piep: Community at first PBL meeting wanted to hear story of what PBLs will do to streets; not just thru traffic but how does this help
  • Avi: Where can I find historic costs for projects?
    o Brittany: Estimates are available, not usually posted online b/c of level of detail, but final costs from vendors can be found
    o Piep: You can most easily communicate with the project manager, or find ballpark costs from David Pulsipher
  • Community Meeting #1- Open house format, share existing traffic stats, ideas for cross-sections, coming in w/o any predetermined solutions
  • Jamie: What do you need from us at the PBL Public Meetings? Are these routes mostly set in-stone?
    o Brittany: Yes, paths are mostly set-in-stone, but would like to get buy-off from community that lives in neighborhood. Many are through residential streets, so there will be some parking removal. Anticipating push-back from neighborhoods.
  • Anticipated Challenges at Public Meetings:
    o 23rd/Water PBL
    o Central Park PBL
  • Other Bike Lanes:
    o #1: Denver Moves Broadway
      ▪ Just received 30% plans
      ▪ Doing final design of 7th Ave to Center Ave
      ▪ How are you solving left-turns? (sight-lines)
        • Looking at enhanced signage and check sight-lines
        • Enhancing striping
        • Will enhance a buffer; this requires more parking removal; final buffer in design stage
      ▪ Adding bump-outs where they can be added; this will help transit riders, as well
      ▪ South segment: working on connection to Broadway/I-25 station
      ▪ North segment: working on preliminary design to better understand asks for future funding
      ▪ Construction: 2020 or 2021, due to construction easements
#2: 18th/19th St PBL
- In progress
- Working w/ Free MetroRide (RTD) on recommended alternative
- Design will occur 2019

#3: 13th/14th Ave PBL
- In progress
- About 30-40% design level

#4: Larimer PBL
- Not started

#5: Colorado/Buchtel
- Not started
- Proposed cycle track, will solicit RFP for design very soon
- Lots of intersection improvements between Colorado/University

**DPR Project Update & E-Devices in Parks/Trails - Jason Coffey, DPR: 6:00-6:15**
- Trail Closures
  - Cherry Creek Trail Detour Map
  - Jason shared mini trail-detours along closures
  - See [Parks & Rec for trail detours](#)
  - [South Platte trail closures](#) posted online
- **E-Bikes Directive**
  - Currently in 180 day directive; seeking public feedback actively thru October
  - Only some classes of E-Bikes are allowed on parks and trails, except for soft-surface trails
  - Class 3 E-Bikes are not allowed on trail and park facilities, but are allowed on city streets
    - Because these go more than 28 mph
  - Can submit online feedback for E-Bikes in parks and trails
  - May 14th, 16th, 18th will be at pop-ups along Cherry Creek and Shoemaker Plaza to discuss e-bike 180 day directive
- Can always call 311 to report any issues and problems

**Vulnerable User Bill - Piep Van Heuven, Bicycle Colorado: 6:15-6:20**
- Legislative Updates:
  - Red Light Camera: Bill died
  - Hands-Free Bill (Distracted driving, making it illegal to ban driving and holding cell phone): Bill died in house committee
    - Thought it would lead to police profiling
    - Will be working to bring back next year
  - Senate Bill 175 PASSED
    - Sponsors: Senator Mike Foote & Rep. Dylan Roberts
      - Both former DAs & know law
      - **Policy to write thank you note! 😊**
    - Safety Bill that focuses on road safety
      - 90 people/year in Denver are severely injured by careless driving
    - Careless driving resulting in death is currently 12 points; this means DMV must review a license
    - However, careless driving resulting in serious bodily injury is only 4 points, which is the same as property-damage only (i.e. ding the mirror)
• Now, drivers can be at risk of 12 pts
  ▪ Protects vulnerable users - peds, bikes, rural farmers, etc.
  ▪ Police officer would have to charge driver with careless driving resulting in serious bodily injury; then prosecutor needs to charge for this (unfortunately, 9 times out or 10 this will be plead down)
  ▪ May need to keep fighting with prosecutors to handle and deal with this - however, this opens options with prosecutors to this, versus what was before

Active Bike Corridor Program - Ashley Lorenz, Bicycle Colorado: 6:20-6:25
• “Low stress, high comfort”
• Casa Bonita Diver logo: Pierce route
• All corridors within 6-mile radius of Civic Center
• New additions improve equity on the map
  o Westwood
  o Northeast Denver
• Hope to reach 70K Denver residents with program
• Programs
  o Ride with Us Fridays every week
    ▪ AM rides at coffee shops
    ▪ PM rides at breweries
  o Weekend JUMP rides/demos
    ▪ Working to improve ride share in community
    ▪ About 2-3 mile radius around downtown
  o Fix-a-Flat Denver Public Library
    ▪ 19 libraries will have tool kits at end of May
  o Wish for Wheels to help DPL educate families on fix-a-flat

Motorist Education Research – Amy Keinrich, MBAC: 6:25-6:40
• What’s already being done?
  o Main area lacking is Motorist Education
• Classes Available
  o Bicycle Colorado
    ▪ Auto-friendly Cyclists
    ▪ Bike-friendly Driver
    ▪ Both offer stickers at the end of taking these 90-minute tests
  o Bicycle Friendly Motorists
• Campaigns and marketing
  o Some unique and interesting campaigns to educate motorists on how to look out for bikes
• CDOT Bicycle Crash Analysis Reports available
• Ideas from MBAC
  o Is there a way to incentivize government employees?
    ▪ Fort Collins employees to take training; working on module for training
  o Drivers Education? Or adding driver’s education? Ways to integrate this into education?
  o Is there a link between number of people on bikes versus safety of drivers?
  o Perhaps Bike to Work Day is an opportunity on “How to Drive on BTWD?”
Mo McKenna (Bicycle Colorado, Education)
Jacqueline and Mia (DRCOG BTWD)
• Bicycle Friendly Drivers funded by grant; successful thus far but seeing if we can put some policy triggers in
  o Perhaps could help businesses drop their insurance rate

Committee Updates: 6:40-6:45
- Education, James/Lynn
- Policy and Planning, Kevin/Tamir
  • Hosted meeting and went well; still working on when to have regular meetings
  • Working on letter to Mayor on closing Bannock between Colfax and 14th
    o Paige: Suggest putting a diagram in letter
    o Amy: Offered to help provide a professional-looking graphic
    o Next steps: Check with Civic Center Conservancy
  • Ben: MBAC couldn’t formally do this, but perhaps Neighborhood Associations are written into policies. Many Neighborhood Associations also require dues; however, there aren’t any geographical boundaries.
    o Can RNOs be created ad-hoc to benefit bikes?
    o Are the most vocal people at RNOs usually representative of cyclists?
  • Driver-loading zones
    o Why aren’t there clear definitions? Can this be better defined?
  • Bond Related Actions
    o Is there a citizen committee?
  • Area Plans
    o How can MBAC get involved with plans?
    o JJ: There can be a role for MBAC on steering committees

  • ACTION: Piep - suggest Policy committee to push for Safety Stop
    o After Mayor election, this should be a good time to bring this up

- Infrastructure, Lisa
  • Bike Wayfinding Update from Sam Piper
    o Signage intended to be more destination oriented
    o Phase 1: Just D-Route signage
    o Phase 2: Add destinations
    o Phase 3: Update signs
    o Phase 4: Every bikeway has bike wayfinding
  • No May meeting for Infrastructure; instead, encourage team to attend Protected Bike Lane public meetings

April Minutes Approval: 6:45-6:50
Approved

- Protected Bike Lanes - 2 meetings have passed, 6 more upcoming through May
- Ride and Walk of Silence - May 15th, 5:30-8:00 from the City and County Building to Sunken Gardens Park: commemorate the lives that have been lost to traffic crashes on our streets and to bring attention to the human toll of dangerous street design that prioritizes speed over safety; Facebook Event or Volunteer
- Neighborhood Planning Initiative - Over the next 10 to 14 years, residents,
neighborhood groups, and community leaders will work alongside the city's neighborhood planning team to create a vision and plan for their specific area. East and East Central Area Plans are underway: check out the website for meetings - we'll also reach out for a future presentation and to be considered for steering committees. There are many opportunities to go above and beyond the recommendations in Denver Moves: Bicycles.

Public Comment/Announcements: 6:55-7:00

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