

## Eugene Bicycle and Pedestrian Advisory Committee



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Date: Thursday, November 8, 2012  
Time: 5:30 to 7:30 p.m.  
Location: **Singer 2<sup>nd</sup> Floor Meeting Room  
Eugene Main Library, 100 W. 10<sup>th</sup> Avenue  
Eugene, OR**

**BPAC Members Present:** Sasha Luftig, Judi Horstman, Harriet Behm, Edem Gomez, Rex Fox, Rex Redmond, Anya Dowbrowolski, David Gizara, Jennifer Smith, Shane MacRhodes, Harriett Behm, Fred Tepfer, Jim Patterson, Tom Schneider

**BPAC Members Absent:** Holly McRae

**Staff:** Lee Shoemaker, Reed Dunbar, Rob Inerfeld, Larisa Varela, Mike Spangler, Tom Larsen, Marcia Maffei

**Members of the Public:** Manly Morris, Emily Carino, Bob Passaro, Susan Stumpf, Joe McKeever, Arthur Ellis, Sue Palsbo

### Agenda

#### 1. Open Meeting

#### 2. Public Comment

- a. **Sue Palsbo: thinking about applying for a position on this committee and the city is delinquent in supplying information for this committee. Minutes and agenda, goals, etc. should be better available online.**
- b. **Judi Horstmann responded that a BPAC member could send minutes from this year if Sue gets their email address.**
- c. **Lee Shoemaker gave his business card.**

#### 3. 2012 Leaf Collection Program

*Action Requested: Presentation and feedback to staff*

- Mike Spangler from Public Works Maintenance made a presentation.
  - Placards on all trucks; some on LTD buses
  - City now has 2 vacuums, helps maintain service if one breaks down
  - Developed priority bike lane maps (and non-priority)
  - Sweeping mainly happens at night, but also all day long
  - Website enhancements (Cleaning History only shows Priority Bike Lanes; Service Request Form; iBike Eugene App)
  - Informational Flyers (go to residents and property owners to keep leaves out of gutter to keep from flooding)

- [www.eugene-or.gov/leaf](http://www.eugene-or.gov/leaf)
- Numbers on service requests and amount of debris collected
- Leaf collection starts next Tuesday
- Vacuums out now to pick up natural leaf fall on roadways
- POS collects leaves on shared use paths
- Comments
  - Really great job!
  - Nice to pickup after weekend when people rake
  - Compliance higher when neighbors are told
  - Been a very successful project – can we find out why so we can replicate success? Holistic approach is necessary.
  - Talk with other cities about success of this program? No.
  - Take these lessons and apply to construction projects (keeping signs out of bike lanes)

#### 4. Regional Bike Parking

##### Action Requested: Presentation and Discussion

- Marcia Maffei from Point2point provided an overview of the regional bike parking study currently underway.

Lane Transit District's Point2point, our regional transportation options program, has secured funding for a regional bike parking study(<http://www.point2pointsolutions.org/node/45>). The study is measuring short and long term bicycle parking supply and demand, concerns about existing facilities, potential new locations, bicycle parking for transit stations, and development code changes.

##### **Study Partners**

- City of Eugene, City of Springfield, City of Coburg, Lane Council of Governments, Lane County, Lane Transit District, Point2point

##### **Share Your Ideas about Bicycle Parking**

We need your input! Please tell us what you think about how we could improve and expand bicycle parking to better meet your needs at these upcoming public input events:

(e-mail [bikeitparkit@ltd.org](mailto:bikeitparkit@ltd.org) to be notified about meetings)

2012 November: Interactive Web Survey

2013 January: Virtual Design Workshop (view and vote on bicycle parking options)

2013 February: Community Open House (final report available here)

[Bikeitparkit.org](http://Bikeitparkit.org)

Questions:

- Coordinating with cities to change codes? Yes.
- Looking at bike parking stations in other cities that are of a similar size and composition (college campus). Yes.

## 5. Pedestrian and Bicycle Master Plan Priorities

### Action Requested: Presentation and feedback to staff

- Reed Dunbar provided an overview of the prioritization criteria and project list.
  - Accessways: we need to list some
  - Bike Boulevards: are these creating the level of change that we need? Many BPAC members say Yes.
  - Grade Separated Crossings: Park Avenue and Avalon seem more important for reaching an equitable transportation system than does the Alder Rail Crossing.
  - Sidewalks: W 11<sup>th</sup> Street should be a component of EmX expansion. Add Warren Street (or Acorn) or other local streets that provide important connections. Please send your lists of these to Reed. Also, need more weighting for school access (e.g. Queens to Buena Vista Elementary)
  - Intersections: Hilyard and 8<sup>th</sup> (Railroad Tracks)
- Other Discussion
  - West EmX networks might be the most visible to the public, do we want small dispersed projects or larger centralized projects?
  - There needs to be a deferral program for the public to weigh in on how to spend Bond Measure monies
  - What percentage should be spent on bike versus ped improvements?
  - There isn't anything on "safety" in the analysis criteria
  - Geographic equity should be a primary goal for implementation of the PBMP. Also, it seems as though many of these projects connect existing projects together. Should we instead focus on developing facilities where they do not already exist?
  - Infill gaps are really important – they form barriers that marginalize the effectiveness of the rest of the existing network.
  - Connections from the Fern Ridge Path will be really important for EmX on West 11<sup>th</sup>

## Transportation Project and Grants Status Update

### Action Requested: Information Share

- Transportation Planning staff provided an update on 2012 construction projects and grant applications
  - Merry Lane bridge has been delivered and is being installed.
  - Statewide Transportation Improvement Program grant applications – Rob Inerfeld will present to Council 11/13 the following three projects:
    - Amazon Active Transportation Corridor \$1.5 million

- Jessen Shared Use Path \$1.5 million
- Northeast Eugene Livable Streets \$800k

Projects Submitted by ODOT

- Beltline River Road to Coburg Road NEPA \$3-5 million
- Beltline Short Term Improvements \$2 million

Projects Submitted by point2point Solutions

- Regional SmartTrips \$450,000
- Regional Safe Routes to School (SRTS) Project \$263,000

Projects Potentially Submitted by LTD

- High Capacity Transit Corridor #5 (River Rd/Hwy 99-LCC) NEPA \$1 - 2 million
- River Road Station Development \$2-3 million

## 6. Community Speed Reduction Program

### Action Requested: Discussion

- David Gizara discussed a speed reduction program such as a Pace Car program (Pace Car Pledge)
  - Drive within the speed limit
  - Share the road safely with other users
  - Be cautious near schools, parks
  - Keep your sense of humor
  - Share a ride when possible
  - Vow not to use hand-held devices when driving (or bicycling)
- Discussion
  - Does this help us make friends within the community?
  - We had a campaign (Eye to Eye), has pledge, broad focus, we don't need to redo this (can we revive)
  - Committee is advisory to staff, not our charge (we look at larger pieces like strategic plans and master plans, we don't do the implementation – identify people to take this on)
  - BPAC needs to be careful to not become an advocacy organization, but Pace Car has merit. Can the “graduates” of BPAC redirect their efforts to doing targeted advocacy?
  - Motion to ask PWE to find funding to implement a program similar to Pace Car in future grant opportunities. Motion Jennifer S., second David G. Motion is retracted.  
Discussion: Supportive if supports programs that already exist (Eye to Eye); Strategic Plan needs to be updated so that might the place to identify this as a “project” first, then ask staff to do this as a priority in the strategic plan. Look at this when updating the strategic plan.

- City has a traffic calming program, this could become one of the tools that the program includes. Staff capacity is an issue, but city is willing to partner with advocacy organizations or neighborhood organizations.
- Can this be part of the SmartTrips program? Maybe.
- This might not be “advocacy” it’s just marketing or reinforcing behaviors (laws).

## **7. BPAC Communication**

### Action Requested: Discussion

- Transportation Planning staff discussed BPAC direct outreach to media, city council, and other community organizations

## **8. Information Share**

### Action Requested: BPAC and staff Information share

- Anya Presented a Best Practices for Bike Parking flyer. Asked for any photo updates the committee might have, or edits. Comments that wall mount racks are not bad, change picture. Provides developers a descriptive guide to choose racks that are “preferred”. Add language that the rack should work with a U-lock (or that rack element tubing is 2” or less so U-locks fit). A statement about cost effectiveness.
- Bike Ed Fleet: still missing but in talks to rebuild the fleet. Might be able to reach 10 schools in fall (4 Bethel, 5 4j, and 1 in Springfield)
- Read article that was in the Weekly...”dudes” on bicycle stencils. Can we please get some ladies riding the bikes on these stencils? Think this will help encourage women to ride bikes. Or use stencils that just have bikes and no riders.
- LiveMove is looking at 13<sup>th</sup> Avenue for a class project. And Rob Sadowski (BTA) is next LiveMove speaker.

## **9. Adjourn**