



City of Nampa

Bicycle & Pedestrian Advisory Committee

Nampa City Hall, Council Chambers & Teams Meeting

February 11, 2021 - MINUTES

4:00 PM

Committee Members Present:

Philip Peterson, Vice Chair
Bruce Purcell, Secretary
Kelsey Parra

Cindi Hartley
Chasity Emerson

City of Nampa Staff present:

Sandi Levi, City Council
Cody Swander, Parks & Recreation

Kristi Watkins, Planning & Zoning
John Spencer, Engineering

Others present:

Alex Hackett, Safe Routes to School
Braden Cervetti, COMPASS

Joe Barton, Paragon

Meeting began at 4:06pm

Approval of Minutes from January 14, 2021 – Bruce Purcell moved and Kelsey Parra seconded, motion carried.

EDUCATION

- **February 17, 2021 – Making Intersection & Crossings Safe and Efficient: A summary of the NCHRP 3-3133 Report** – Braden Cervetti gave a summary of this webinar. The development of safety metrics within signalized intersections, is an important effort for cities. Safer bicycle and pedestrian crossing can be mitigated by minimizing conflicts turning traffic. The research suggests that in order to achieve a vision zero we need to identify new requirements for protected turns. This webinar will include assessments of left and right turn and the use of leading pedestrian intervals (LPI), with some assessment as to whether bicycles can use LPI's. In addition to signal timing, some geometric treatments, such as protected intersection layouts and other features are critical to this conversation.
- **March 17, 2021 – ActiveTO: The City of Toronto's COVID 19 Response – 26 Kilometers of Rapid Installed Bikeways** – Please contact Braden for information on attending these upcoming webinars

OLD BUSINESS

- **Counter Location Spreadsheet** - Braden intends to share the Spreadsheet for Counter locations that he is working on and would like this group's input on specific locations, entrances to the pathway or at various locations? He shared Tim's map PDF of trails and trail gaps which helped him narrow down some desired areas based on the table that is identified in the Bike Ped Master Plan. He anticipates deploying counters at six (6) locations two (2) times a year in the spring and late fall. Hoping to provide incentivizing data to assist with gap fill.

Bruce asked about the Stoddard pathway and if there would follow up counts for Stoddard on this list. Braden will add Stoddard to our rolling schedule.

Cindi and Phil both asked for Braden to share this the group.

- **eBike Policy Language**

- Code amendments at City Attorney to be drafted – adoption date TBD. – Kristi Watkins shared that the code changes have been reviewed and supported by Chief of Police, Joe Huff and then went to the City Attorney for review. The Attorney has a few questions about regulating companies that bring eScooters into the city. Jeff Barnes, Rodney Ashby and select other city staff will be meeting with BIRD about eScooter usage in Nampa and try to address the Attorney’s questions. The attorney wants to assure that the company will be responsive to our code being enforced as well. After that meeting, these code changes will go to city council for public hearing and then possible on to adoption.

Phil mentioned that there is a program that remotely moves the scooters to a location that is approved.

NEW BUSINESS

- Midland/Roosevelt Safety Audit – Report – Cindi Hartley is the appointed member of this group and she reported on her experience and what happened during the audit. Cindi described that she demonstrated the dangers for pedestrians that use crutches when crossing Midland. She demonstrated problems with timing, drains and obstacles and problems with bicycles jumping from sidewalk to street and back. They discussed pathway connectivity. They discussed a “test” project to try out possible solutions. They recommended suppressing the yellow flashing arrows.

Alex Hackett – Location of multi-use pathway (one or both sides of the road)? Cindi answered that there is sufficient space in front of Chevron and the Retail center (south side of intersection). On the north there appears to be enough room but residences would need to be agreeable to moving fences into their property to make space. The also discussed the location of the Chevron pole sign, possibly work with them to move the sign to make the corner safer and pathway wider, but she doesn’t remember the outcome of that part of the conversation.

Alex also asked if there was a timeline for the pilot project in relation to the turn signal. Cindi answered that they will need to coordinate with the city to see if the streets department/engineering department is agreeable and if the pilot project is “legal” to try? Then if it is successful, can it be implemented in other locations? We won’t have a timeline until we have some of those answers first.

Kristi shared that this is intended to be a peer audit, not a city professional review. They want recommendations from folks outside the government realm. City Staff wants unfiltered recommendations. In the Comprehensive Plan there is a plan area around Midland Blvd that, through a corridor study, will determine if ROW can be purchased to include room for a multi-use pathway from Caldwell Blvd to the Lake and enough room to stripe more travel lanes.

It was decided to keep this item on the agenda so Jeff Barnes could add more information from his perspective.

NEXT MEETING

- Thursday, March 11, 4pm to 5pm – City Hall Council Chambers & Teams Meeting

Adjourned at 4:34pm.

Minutes prepared by Kristi Watkins, for Bruce Purcell, Secretary