

**MINUTES
CITY OF PENSACOLA
BICYCLE ADVISORY COMMITTEE (BAC) MEETING
222 West Main Street (City Hall), First Floor
Vince Whibbs Conference Room
Pensacola, FL 32502**

January 26, 2018 8:30 am

PRESENT: David Mayo (Chairperson); Barrett Breedlove; Rand Hicks; Marie Mott;

ABSENT: Barrett Breedlove, Tim Fox

CITY STAFF: Tim Land (Outdoor Recreation and Athletics Coordinator); Heidi Thorsen (Director's Assistant)

CITIZENS: Jim De Vries; Jack Stevenson; David Wood (WFRPC)

1. Called to Order

The meeting was called to order by Chairperson Mayo.

2. Approval of Minutes from Previous Meeting

Committee member Hicks made a motion to approve the minutes of the December 01, 2017 meeting. The motion was seconded by Committee member Mott. The vote to approve was unanimous.

3. Complete Streets Discussion

Chairperson Mayo thanked committee member Hicks for finding Complete Streets in other cities that can be used as a basis for ours. Committee member Hicks mentioned that Leslie Statler from the City's Planning Department stopped by before the meeting and dropped off a Resolution that was brought to Council from 2012 establishing a Complete Streets Policy to integrate Bicycling, walking, and public transit with the City's transportation programs, projects, and policy initiatives. It did not pass City Council to be included in the City's code. The BAC needs to put together a Complete Streets presentation to present to Parks and Recreation Board, then to City Council. The goal is to get City Council to pass it and include it in the City code. As it is, the BAC will not be able to meet the August deadline for filing for the Bicycle Friendly Community application, so committeemen Hicks and Mott will put off working on this and have something to present at the April BAC meeting.

Mr. DeVries mentioned that the BAC needs to be sure to include Public Works in the Complete Streets. Discussion followed on incorporating the State's and WFRPC's policies in the City's Complete Streets. A motion was made to create a Complete Streets subcommittee to include Ryan Novota and Derrik Owens (Public Works), Leslie Statler (Planning), David Wood (WFRPC), Rand Hicks and Marie Mott (BAC members), and Jim DeVries, given time constraints, with the group to be led by Marie Mott and Rand Hicks. Chairperson Mayo seconded, the motion was approved. The motion was seconded and approved. The goal of the subcommittee is to have a substantial review of Complete Streets ready for the April meeting.

It was mentioned that the Complete Streets organization offers help in designing plans.

Chairperson Mayo asked Mr. Wood for an update on the Bicycle/Pedestrian plan. (See below in Open Forum.)

4. Ciclovía Update

Ciclovía plans include encouraging all non-motorized transportation, flash mobs, slow rides, etc. They will be occupying the same route as last year. Several differences from last year include lining up all of the sponsors so that they can easily be seen; fewer vendors; shortening the route; not using the Community Maritime Park, and not going beyond Bartram Park. They are asking sponsors to possibly give demonstrations such as yoga, tai-chi, etc. Committee member Hicks mentioned that he had made a presentation to the DIB, and most of the businesses were receptive to Ciclovía. Visit Pensacola has doubled their grant from last year.

If it rains on March 24, the goal is to launch it on March 31. Beginning in February, Ciclovía will be advertised in Houston and Birmingham. WUWF and WEAR will be promoting the event.

5. Next Meeting Date

Due to Naturalization Ceremony on February 23, the Whibbs Conference Room will not be available. The Committee decided to keep the same date, just find a different location, possibly one of the Resource Centers. (City staff was able to obtain usage of the Woodland Heights Resource Center for that date/time.)

6. Open Forum

Update on Bicycle/Pedestrian Plan.

WFRPC is still accepting proposals of projects that are desired by the public. They will be run through the prioritization filter. By February 2 the Council will have a prioritized list of projects. The goal is to have a comprehensive, usable document that will be easily understood. Consideration is being given to including a "Heat Map" which will identify commonly used/visited locations. Committee member Hicks mentioned that the DIB bike share program could provide WFRPC with locations that the bike users visited.

In April, the WFRPC will release their plan for review. Hopefully the feedback will help tweak the plan and have the plan completed in June. After the plan is completed, the goal is to keep the conversation open to keep the WFRPC informed of any changes. Committee member Hicks mentioned that after Ciclovía, in order to keep the momentum going with the benefits of the bicycle/pedestrian plan, maybe they could do a press release pushing the ability to bike downtown and include the WFRPC plan, etc. Further discussion of this was suggested to be at the next BAC meeting.

Missing Committee Members

Committee member Hicks asked about fellow member Tim Fox. City staff will contact him to be sure he is still interested. Further discussion took place about who may want to serve on the Committee. Mr. Land will contact the Pensacola Police Department for who could represent them on the Committee.

7. Adjournment