

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

April 27, 2018 8:30 am

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

CITY STAFF: Heidi Thorsen (Director's Assistant)

CITIZENS: Jack Stevenson; Drew Buchanan

1. Called to Order

The meeting was called to order by Chairperson Mayo.

2. Approval of Minutes from Previous Meeting

Committee member Mott made a motion to approve the minutes of the January 26, 2018 meeting. The motion was seconded by Committee member Hicks. The vote to approve was unanimous.

3. Old Business

a. Complete Streets update

Given the member's community and professional obligations, they were unable to get anything started until now. Ft. Myers and Ft. Lauderdale were most like Pensacola, and they will be used to craft Complete Streets language to present to the Parks and Recreation Board and ultimately City Council. Other people will be asked to review and provide their input prior to the presentations.

Council has setup a Complete Streets committee, but only one Council member has submitted a name to be on the committee. Hopefully once the BAC has put together some of the language, Council will elect the committee to finish it.

The question was raised, what will suffice for the League to give us credit for the Complete Streets? The State has a Complete Streets plan. Member Hicks made the following motion: "That I be allowed to phone headquarters and ask the League what do you really need from us? We are trying to get this stuff done. Do we need to grind it out in detail and into City Code, or can we fix it to the State policy?" The motion was seconded by Chairperson Mayo, approved unanimously.

b. Ciclovía update

While the history of the Parks was being worked on, City staff found that the original Ciclovía in Pensacola was back in 1947, a couple of days before Christmas. It was not a success, and was vowed to never be done again. There was actually another one more recently, back in 2008 or 2009. Furthermore it was noted that Pensacola is listed in literature to promote Ciclovía's all around the world.

The 2nd annual Ciclovía was a success. The estimate is that there were 20-30% more participants than last year, at least 12,000 participants. The barricades were moved from Garden and Palafox streets to south of Romana on Palafox. Several businesses north of the barricades were disappointed at the turnout. There will be a few changes next year – new entertainment, vendors will be along the main thoroughfare.

c. Other updates

Possible other members for the Committee

Barrett Breedlove and Tim Fox have resigned the BAC. Several names were put forward to serve on the BAC – Matt Ales, manager for Truly Spokin. Member Mott made a motion that was seconded by member Hicks and was unanimously approved to ask Mr. Ales to serve on the Committee.

Another name mentioned was Brian Stone from Cycle Sports at Palafox and Maxwell. Chairperson Mayo will ask Mr. Stone if he is interested in serving on the committee. The motion was made by Member Hicks to have Chairperson Mayo reach out to Brian Stone to become a member of the BAC if he accepts. The motion was seconded by Member Mott and approved unanimously. Chairperson Mayo will reach out to Mr. Stone. Member Mott will also reach out to Jarah Jaqay and Zack [no last name given] in case one of these people does not want to serve on the BAC.

Chris Huffman from the Wheelman was also mentioned as a possible person to serve. The motion was made by Member Hicks and seconded by Member Mott to ask him to serve. The motion passed unanimously.

Richard Sherrill has mentioned that he no longer wants to be considered to serve on the Committee.

Assistant Thorsen mentioned that Tim Land (City staff member) will not be returning. He has accepted a position outside of the City.

4. Open Forum

Mr. Buchanan asked a few questions –

1. When resurfacing a street, is there a policy that bike lanes have to be added? The general consensus of the committee was no.
2. Has the City looked at pop-up bike lanes? Pop-up bike lanes are temporary bike lanes, usually on wide sections of unused roadways. If they work, then the lanes are made permanent. They do this in New Orleans. The implementation was done by volunteers on City owned roads, but with the City's approval. Pensacola has never looked at pop-up bike lanes that the Committee was aware of.
3. When was the last bike lane built in the City? New bike lanes have recently been added to some State roads, but we're not sure when the last one was added to the City.

5. Adjournment