

Urban Trails Committee – Minutes – January 11, 2023

Attendees: Athena Fouts, Mike Holt, Abe Herman, Steve Meyer, Diana Rooney, Brent Starnes, Ian Thomas, Jason Nguyen

Staff/Ex-Officio: Trent Prall, Dani Acosta, Eric Mocko, Andy Gingerich (Virtual)

Guests: Barbara and Bruno Eachus

Minutes

Call to Order/Announcements

Diana R. called the meeting to order at 5:35 pm.

Diana R. reviewed the annual roadmap and informed the group to start thinking about the Ped and Bike Count in May, reigniting the subcommittee for ped/bike counts.

Diana R. reminded the group about the January workshop. Dani A. to create a virtual option.

Trent recommended leaving SRTS open to suggestions for CBDG candidates - Pull that together in February.

The UTC reviewed the November and December minutes and voted on approval. Athena F. made a motion to approve the November meeting minutes, and Brent S. seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously. Athena F. made motion to approve the December meeting minutes and Ian T. seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

A question was posed if quorum was based on the total number of members as outlined in the bylaws or by the number of existing members (i.e., even with vacancies). Dani A. to check with City Attorney about quorum.

Action Items

The UTC reviewed and voted on the 2022 Annual Report. Mike H. made a motion to accept the draft and Steve M. seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

Zoning & Development Code Updates

Dani A. informed the group that Module 2 on Parking Standards for the ZDC update was now available, which including parking standards for bikes. The group discussed the proposed changes.

The group discussed the need to revise site upgrade standards for long-term bike parking for Change of Use (COU) multifamily projects (motels converting into residential apartments).

Ian T. suggested reducing parking in exchange for a long-term sufficient bike storage.

Jason N. suggested the ZDC update specify a list of approved and disapproved bike rack designs.

Ian T. commented that the rings in the Post & Rick rack design on the Main Street are way thicker than the ring. Suggested that the ZDC specify that rings be of a certain diameter. If rings are placed lower, you can get pedal on it.

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A member raised how mobility scooters/wheelchairs are addressed in COU - how do we account for ADA accessibility.

Infrastructure Priorities List

Diana R. gave a refresher of the Infrastructure Priorities List. Call out to nominate projects.

Updates:

Ped and Bike Count subcommittee reestablished with Diana R. and Steve M.

Dani A. informed the group that there will be open seats next year. Applications are due February 15, 2023.

Ride Guide meeting was held. Organized by the Sentinel. City representatives to follow up.

Dani A. to email members with partial terms.

Trent P. provided updates on 4th and 5th street - winter bike to work day Feb 10 statewide, next week City Council to award contract for 24 Rd trail , 24 and G Rd project starting construction.

A member asked if UTC input was used by Parks and Recreation for placement of donated bike racks.

Dani A. to share responses.

Eric M. was asked about updates on the automated traffic counting.

Adjournment

Steve M. made a motion to adjourn, and Jason N. seconded that motion. Meeting adjourned at 7:03 pm.