

Princeton Bicycle Advisory Minutes

May 26, 2016

- I. Present: Janet Heroux, Laurie Harmon, Tineke Thio, Dan Rapaport, Martin Kahn, Lisa Serieyysol, Mia Sacks, David Cohen, Steve Kruse, Heather Howard
- II. Pass minutes from April 28 meeting Shopping Center design – we dislike Belgian block curbs. Would like to relocate bike rack interior to courtyard. Heather to follow up.
- III. Updates for upcoming events and deadlines
 - Cyclovia – June 12th. Publicized in Princeton Magazine, Town Topics, Planet Princeton, Packet. Will follow with press release. D. Cohen to Bring hula hoops, make signs. Greater Mercer TMA, REI will have tables. Parking at Friends School and Nassau Park
 - REI trail ride on canal path June 4th
 - Bicycle Friendly application – Laurie plugging away. Still need to get together with Lisa.
 - Other
- IV. Report outs
 - May 23 meeting of the Masterplan subcommittee of the Planning Board re Bike Master Plan.
 - Jenny Crumiller forming Traffic Calming Subcommittee of CSC – meeting Friday 5-27 at 8:30 am
 - Engineering updates – masterplan, bike share (with covered parking). See attached report for additional information.
 - Other
- V. SRTS update – early May event was very successful. Lisa now has contact list of participants. Rosedale hawk endorsed by County engineer. Green teams forming at all elementary schools. Schools are applying for eco-friendly certification, transportation is a part.
- VI. Continuing Discussion item: Municipal Bike Master Plan
 - reviewed and voted on BMP endorsement letter to the Master Plan Subcommittee; decide on other outlets (planning board, town topics). Keep positive to the public! Moved by Dan, seconded by David, approved by all present. See attached final version.
 - report out on other letters of support that members are aware of (for example from Health Board)
 - community engagement in support of the plan-what are committee actions/contributions? How can communications support this?
- VII. Public Comment
- VIII. Adjourn

Letter of Endorsement of the Proposed Bicycle Master Plan

To: Master Plan Subcommittee of the Planning Board, Planning Board, Council, Mayor, Study Advisory Committee

From: Bicycle Advisory Committee

Date: June 3, 2016

Having reviewed the recently released draft plan of the bicycle network, the members of the Princeton Bicycle Advisory Committee urge the Master Plan Subcommittee of the Planning Board to support the proposed Bicycle Master Plan. We endorse the intention of the plan, which is to “create a bicycle network that is continuous, connected, convenient, complete, and comfortable for cyclists of all ages and abilities.”

The proposed plan is measured, comprehensive and respectful of the needs and concerns of all Princeton residents. It is designed to be implemented incrementally over time. When this plan is implemented, Princeton streets will be safer and less congested for motorists, pedestrians and bicyclists. In keeping with our community values of equity and social justice, the plan takes into account the needs of residents who rely on bicycling as a primary form of transportation.

As you deliberate, please in mind the fact that making biking safer and easier, as this plan outlines, would be tremendous benefit for our community, especially our children and grandchildren.

The plan in your hands now is a solid start and would be a huge step forward for Princeton. We trust that our decision-makers will embrace this opportunity.