

Salem Bicycling Advisory Committee  
**Draft Meeting Minutes**  
Monday, July 18th, 2016

A meeting of the Salem Bicycling Advisory Committee was held on Monday, May 16th, 2016 at 7:00 PM in Meeting Room 311 at Salem City Hall Annex, 120 Washington Street.

**Members Present:** Dan Shuman, Michael Jaros, Michael Williamson, Joseph O Neill,

**Also Present:** Erin Schaeffer, City of Salem Staff Planner; Andrea Leary(North Shore Transportation Management Association Director), David Knowlton (City Engineer), VHB

**Members Absent:** Richard Frank, Eric Papetti

**Invited Guests:** N/A

**Public in Attendance:** N/A

Dan Shuman called the meeting to order at 7:00 PM. He acknowledged those members absent and present for the record.

**1. Public Comment**

**2. New/Old Business**

**City Engineer Update on Complete Streets/Pilot Protected Lane Project/Master Plan**

**Pilot Protected Lane Project** - VHB and David Knowlton explained status of pilot protected lane initiative on Lafayette St. Explained that at the public meeting residents were concerned about access to road and the danger of a protected lane for all users. Because this doesn't look to be an acceptable pilot project for the street, they proposed improving existing bike lane by painting it green for increased visibility and looking for other areas where the width of the street would allow for a protected lane:

- Kernwood Marina, Jackson St, Fort Ave, Willows, Broad St from Collins to Memorial Drive at Greenwood.

Suggested a temporary pop-up 3-hr demo of a protected lane

Concerns for protected lanes – trash pickup, emergency access, backing out of travel lanes

VHB – made point that there was no crash data for this street and no evidence to show that these problems would necessarily exist with a protected lane. Would operate similar to how it does now where all users of the street would have to pay attention to obstacles and what is happening on the street

**Loring/Lafayette & West Ave Intersection**

Need to update video detection at crosswalks, ADA, better clearance at intersection for all users including pedestrians, ADA, bicyclists

Will be bid out in August 2016 and construction will take place next Spring 2017

Signage request for drivers to understand markings and signs on road related to bicycling and walking signals and markings

Improvements: No right-turn on red onto the Lafayette St

Andrea Leary - voiced concerns about people trying to turn left to go to Marblehead

- Dashed lines through intersection (North to South)

**Canal St. Roadway Project and Off-Road Path**

State signed contract with City to begin construction November 2016. Sidewalks and curb construction to begin Spring 2017.

Northern portion of off-road path clearing will begin Winter 2016. The MBTA agreements for the path are in place. Path from Downtown to Roselyn/Canal cross-street will be constructed in the Spring 2017 as well Southern 0.5 mile portion of Path, from Roselyn to the existing Marblehead Rail Trail at Gardner Mattress design is currently under review and the MBTA is working with Keolis on the relocation of the rail spur and moving rail switch equipment and utilities

- This portion of the path has a cost estimate of \$2.5 million and is included in the MassDOT 2019 TIP funding

Connection from path start behind Domino's Pizza at Mill St still needs to be made so users can get off the path and go through Downtown and to the MBTA station. Toole Design group can look at this connection through the Bike/Ped Safety Audit done recently.

### **Derby St. Corridor Improvements**

Riley St to Footprint Power and access from Footprint Power to Szetela Ln off-road going through Beattie Park with School park access points

Derby 2020 plan will need to involve multiple partners on that corridor including National Park Service, National Grid, House of Seven Gables

Talk to Scott Silverstein of Footprint to begin conversation about what the City wants for improvements, which includes handicap ramps, better sidewalks, wayfinding signs from Washington to Fort Ave, ADA access, re-paving of street, off-road path or protected lanes, bike lanes

Request from Footprint of an off-road path along Derby all the way to Willows and also path that connects from Beattie Park through undeveloped parcel crossing Szetela Ln to Collins Cove.

### **Bike Master Plan Planning update**

Bike Master Plan update can be funded through a \$25,000 CIP Engineering allocation

Bike Committee should review the Master Plan, which is posted on the website

Hold a workshop to brainstorm ideas for new plan – public meeting

- Visioning meetings with Bike Committee

Plan for bicycle infrastructure on key transportation corridors – connectivity to other communities

Cycling as transportation and cycling for recreation...what is the goal?

107 Corridor Study – off-road path parallel to the street or on-road protected lanes

What is the Planning Process?

What is accomplished by doing the Master Plan? What is the goal?

### **New Bike Share Discussion**

Dan Shuman against new bike share

Cost of bike share is approximately \$54,000 for three stations with a 3-year commitment

Zagster takes care of all the service, moving bikes to make sure stations are adequately stocked, technical service such as sign-outs, GPS tracking, locks, etc.

Takes responsibility away from the City for maintenance

City needs to develop an RFP for procurement<sup>4</sup>

## Miscellaneous

Dan Shuman – can the City approve a spot and contribute to funding for public bicycle vending machines?

Witches Cup Criterium – bicycle race around the Common on Aug 10<sup>th</sup>

Other uses for \$25k in CIP funding – shelter for Salem Spins bikes, repair the kiosks on the existing bike path

Meeting called for adjournment at **8:33** by M. Williamson. Seconded by . Jaros

Respectfully submitted by:

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