

Nampa Bicycle & Pedestrian Citizens' Advisory Group
Minutes
November 20, 2007

Attendance: Jerry & Barbara Hull, Matt Johnson, Kathleen Crookman, David Clements, LaRita Schandorff, Julia Jones, Mark McNeese City Council meetings report – LaRita

Community Planning Association lobbyists have made 2 presentations to inform and encourage the council to support a bill that would create a Regional Transportation Board and also allow local governments to tax themselves to fund transit.

There is a new business going in at 12th and Locust that might present an opportunity to get a developer to fund a neighborhood pathway to facilitate access to the business.

The city council approved funds for research and planning of a pedestrian crossing at 11th and 3rd where a pedestrian/car crash recently occurred.

Design standards for business developments were approved. Might want to consider drafting a proposal to require bicycle parking requirements which are currently not included.

Mark McNeese (ITD Bike & Pedestrian Coordinator)

Suggested we seek non-profit status or official status with the city.

Shortcut to non-profit status would be aligning ourselves with a like-minded organization such as the Treasure Valley Cycling Alliance which already has non-profit status.

Non-profit status would qualify the group to apply for grants and other funding sources for projects.

We could offer volunteer assistance to carry out local programs. Example: safety instruction to a school district that has Safe Routes to Schools funding.

Road/infrastructure change is a long process and without official status it is difficult for a group to give input early enough in the process to be effective.

General Discussion

Contact Darrin Johnson at Parks & Rec about timeline for updating streets and pathways master plan (LaRita)

Organize and host a public open house to invite community input on city masterplan

Pros/cons of being officially recognized as a city commission

Clements agreed to be our representative to the Transportation Commission

McNeese said increased cost of smaller grade chip seal could be offset by not chipping shoulders.

LaRita agreed to contact Treasure Valley Cycling Alliance about possibility of officially associating our group with theirs as a satellite.

8:30 p.m. Meeting adjourned, Next meeting: December 18, 7 p.m. at Nampa Flying M