Bicycle Advisory Committee

Engineering & Evaluation Sub-Committee Report

Committee Information

Committee Name: Engineering & Evaluation

Committee Members Present:
Caitlin Tobin, Michael Trivette, Eoin Shei, Keith Sorrensen (CDOT Staff), Nicole Olson (Member of the Public)

Committee Members NOT Present:
Liza Pratt

Date of Last Committee Meeting:
April 20, 2021

BAC Meeting Minutes

• Mike provided an update on the letter to Council on the maintenance issues with bike lanes/trails around Charlotte
  o He is currently contacting Denver, Birmingham and Washington, DC to research how they handle maintenance
  o Should have a draft letter by the next (May) subcommittee meeting

• Subcommittee discussed the support letter for the 2040 Comp Plan
  o Discussed reaching out to committee partners to coordinate support
    ▪ Eoin to reach out to the CATS advisory Committee
    ▪ Caitlin to reach out to Paul at the Greenway Commission
    ▪ Agreed to advise the BAC that we should CC other council advisory groups on the letter
  o Drafted a letter of support to present to the BAC next week (See Attached)

• Nicole Olson brought up a proposed town home development
  o Nicole Olson, Contact: nicolson11103@gmail.com
  o New development By Sugar Creek Station. Wants to advocate for the rezoning area to include a bike path instead of a road to access the Town homes (Essex/The Plaza/Anderson Street). Nicole provided below map of the site.
  o Currently talking with CDOT staff about what can specifically be done at this site
  o Subcommittee members discussed writing a letter to generally advise and encourage City Council to push for inclusion and prioritization of bike paths in rezoning requests
  o Subcommittee members also advised Nicole on local neighborhood leaders who may be able to help. Eoin will follow up with contact info.
STANDING PRIORITIES/AGENDA:

Priority #1: Prioritize the expansion of Protected Bike Lanes & Improve Connectivity in the bike network

- **Task:** Monitor Comprehensive Plan/Strategic Mobility Plan (SMP) and support plan adoption.
  - **Sub-Task:** Encourage and support a robust public engagement and comment on the development of the Bicycle Priority network plan map
  - **Sub-Task:** BAC subcommittee members commit to attending the SMP Town Hall meetings expected in Spring 2021.

- **Task:** Support funding projects that improve biking in the City.
  - **Sub-Task:** Research and advise on funding request for bike program (how much is the ask?) for next bond cycle 2022
  - **Sub-Task:** Write a letter and continue to advise council to support the Uptown CycleLink.
  - **Sub-Task:** Monitor and educate Council on how implemented facilities are being used.

- **Task:** Research potential strategies and resources for improving/implementing a bike facility maintenance program.

Priority #2: Support VisionZero Projects/Efforts

- **Task:** Track and support CDOT projects that focus on reducing traffic speeds & improving safety.

Priority #3: Continue to support building greenway/bike infrastructure projects that have committed funding, expedite where possible

- **Task:** Monitor projects and pro-actively advise Council on supporting, funding and implementing bike, trail and greenway project.