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March 19, 2016

To: Kyle Rowe and Sarah Zora, Seattle Department of Transportation

Re: **Bicycle Master Plan Implementation Plan Update**

The Seattle Bicycle Advisory Board (SBAB) has provided comprehensive review and comments to SDOT on the BMP 5 Year Implementation Plan at the following regular SBAB Public Monthly Meetings: February 3, 2016 and March 2, 2016.

February 3 SBAB Meeting Comments Included:

1. Connectivity, Equity, and Safety are recurring high priorities for SBAB.
2. Neighborhood Greenways should not include segments with unreasonable grades. There should be a clear direction on what it means to have a connected, useable, and comfortable all ages and abilities network.
3. Why doesn't the City spend more money sooner on bicycle infrastructure to build connectivity and increase mode share quicker?
4. There should be a differentiation in the list between buffered bike lanes and traditional bike lanes.
5. The Portland bicycle facilities user map provides very clear color coding on where there are missing links and dangerous connections. [Recurring theme on SBAB input is for improved maps]

March 3 SBAB Meeting Comments Included:

1. SBAB would like to work with SDOT on additional metrics to track progress on meeting BMP Goals of Safety, Connectivity, Equity as highest priorities [along with Ridership and Livability]
2. West Seattle is falling behind with this implementation plan. It represents 20% of the city and many years have no projects happening in SW Seattle/South Park and 2016 projects are actually delayed 2015 projects. Constituents worked hard to ensure passage of move Seattle and yet aren't getting projects to make it safe.
3. For the whole city, implementation needs to be Equitable; residents shouldn't need to advocates to get safe infrastructure.
4. SBAB will form a working group on advisory to the BMP 5 Year Implementation Plan.



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In addition, SBAB and SDOT held a 2 hour public special meeting on February 11, 2016 to provide in-depth comment and review, including: 1) advisory input with detailed draft of overall criteria for Prioritization of Projects, Programs and Strategies; 2) recognition of prioritization for more projects in SE Seattle and need of more implementation for West Seattle to move forward the BMP Equity Goal and Race and Social Justice Initiative Goals and Vision Zero; 3) specific recommendations on proposed Projects, Programs and Strategies components of the plan, and 4) request that projects are assessed on criteria of serving All Ages and Abilities.

SBAB held a second Special Public Meeting on March 11, 2016 to review and decide additional advisory comment on the BMP Implementation Plan. It was the decision at that meeting that our SBAB Review and Comment for the BMP 5 Year Implementation Plan as called for by City Council Resolution be communicated through the minutes of February 3, March 2 SBAB Monthly Public Meetings, the notes on February 11 Special Public Meeting Workshop and Minutes of March 11 Special Public Meeting.

March 11 Comments made by SBAB members included:

- Front load projects to create a connected All Ages & Abilities network sooner.
- Revise outreach process to better include leadership by people in the communities of color and communities of low incomes where projects are proposed; to have communities provide leadership on input process with many opportunities and types of opportunities to talk and give input.
- District 1 (West Seattle-South Park) projects are inadequate in this implementation plan.
- Overall comments on Goals and Priority Criteria for Equity, Connectivity and Safety.
- Detailed comments on 2016 and 2017 projects
- Recommendation for Seattle City Council to work with the state legislature to move forward with BMP strategy 6.1.4 regarding addition/update of bicycle safety and traffic laws to driver training and driver license renewal.

Furthermore, at the March 11, 2016 Special SBAB public meeting, a quorum of SBAB made the following recommendations for the BMP 5 Year Year Implementation Plan as follows:

1. SBAB will request SDOT to give updates on the BMP 5 Year Implementation Plan at each SBAB monthly meeting.
2. In between meetings, a SBAB five-member BMP working group will continue preparing BMP Advisory Letter Drafts for full board review and approval at our monthly meetings, including in-depth criteria for assessing Prioritization of Projects, Programs and Strategies and Process of Community Input.



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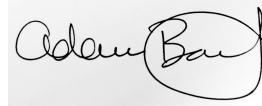
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Our April 6, 2016 Monthly Public Meeting Agenda will include ongoing review of the BMP 5 Year Implementation Plan to provide further advisory comments to SDOT Staff and Council in our role as stewards of the Bicycle Master Plan.

Sincerely,



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