

Seattle Bicycle Advisory Board Meeting Minutes

Date/Time: 11/06/2019 / 6:00 p.m. – 8:00 p.m.

Chairs: Emily Paine, Patrick Taylor

Recorder: Gunnar Colleen

Location: Seattle City Hall, Room 370

Minutes Distribution List:

See Attachment A

Members Present:

	Present ✓	Absent X
Andrew Dannenberg		X
Meredith Hall	✓	
Kashina Groves	✓	
Alexander Lew	✓	
Emily Paine	✓	
Patrick Taylor	✓	
Andrea Lai	✓	
Ben Estes	✓	
Gunnar Colleen	✓	

Guests:

See attached sign-in sheet.

MEETING CALL TO ORDER

Chair Patrick Taylor called the meeting to order at 6:01.

INTRODUCTIONS

PUBLIC COMMENT

None

ANNOUNCEMENTS

None

MEETING MINUTES

The minutes of the previous meeting were not approved as not all board members have reviewed them

SBAB UPDATES AND NEXT STEPS

- Discussion of reaching out to councilmembers and mayor's office after the new year, especially council members on the transportation committee. We would likely do this in January. The goal of this would be to advocate for our funding priorities and

to figure out what the office's priorities are. At the next meeting we will decide on messaging and assign council members.

- NE 43rd st letter, this letter has been delayed. Kashina will draft this letter by the next meeting.
- January meeting of SBAB will be held on January 8th. The meeting calendar and the website will be updated with a location.
- Selina Urena has departed from SBAB. Andrea will replace her in the role of secretary.
- Delridge Multimodal meeting is looking for a SBAB representative.
 - Meredith and Ben will be attending.
- Simon Blenski will be taking over for Serena as the city liaison to SBAB.

PRESENTATIONS

Ballard Multimodal Corridor

Time: 6:19

Presenters: Louisa Miller

Purpose: Project briefing on Ballard Multimodal Corridor

- Project fills the gap of existing sections of Burke-Gilman trail
- Project is split into three phases, 45th, Shilshole, and Market street. The construction of the second two phases are on hold due to legal challenges.
- Legal challenges: for Final EIS appeal, hoping to complete legal challenges in Q1 of 2020. The Ballard Terminal Railroad Petition will go to King County Superior Court in April 2020. Shoreline Permit Appeal will go to court, had to reapply under different classification.
- Design updates: Burke Gilman will run onto Shilshole which turns left onto Market St. Truck aprons are placed on the intersection. If Shilshole is completed before market, an interim bike lane will be constructed

Questions, Answers and Comments:

Q: Clarification about the Market phase

A: The roads have been narrowed and poured; the trolley poles are being constructed. The bike lanes will be completed pending legal challenges

Q: Are the costs for road improvements being paid out Bicycle Implementation Plan money?

A: No, there are about 15 funding sources

Comment from Community member: He is a legal challenger in the Shilshole project suit. He feels the project is unsafe, would like to present to SBAB. We have his contact information and will be reaching out to him.

Waterfront Seattle Briefing

Time: 6:40

Presenters: Barbara Lee, Mike Johnson

Purpose: Waterfront Project Informational Briefing

- Revitalization of waterfront project along Alaskan Way
 - East/west connections will be built out of Alaskan Way
- Scheduled completion of the project will be 2024
- During construction, the former Alaskan Way will be used as construction zone. This will then be used as the road while the “restored road” is completed as a pedestrian area.
- Alaskan Way has raised intersection to signal that this is a pedestrian space. Speed limit will be 20MPH.
- The contract has been awarded and construction started on the 5th of November for the right of way through Elliot and Alaskan Way

Questions, Answers and Comments:

Q: What is the bike access to Coleman dock?

A: Marion street bridge has access, there will be bike lockers on the dock. There will be three bike entrances and two bike exits for the dock. Coleman dock is being built separately from the Waterfront project.

Q: Are there loading zones? Are there pickup/drop-off zones for ride share or for accessibility?

A: EIS showed there was a lot of space in nearby garages for parking. As for curb management, the block between Marion and Columbia is ADA accessible. Curb space for pickup/drop-off is looking at the periphery streets. Business and ADA parking is available in the historical business piers. There is a landscape buffer between parking and bike lanes to prevent pedestrian crossing.

Q: What is the elevation change on Elliot Way and Alaska Way?

A: Due to height requirements for railway passage, the steepest incline is 6.8%.

Q: What interim cycling and pedestrian facilities will be available?

A: Bike lanes and pedestrian access will be available during the interim. If they are not accessible, contact Office of the Waterfront

Roosevelt Rapid Ride Line J Briefing

Time: 7:15

Presenters: Garth Merrill SDOT

Purpose: Waterfront Project Informational Briefing

- Rapid Ride Line J is being built because of larger population and more jobs in the area, safety concerns, climate concerns. Connect to transit network, improve ped/bike safety and connect to transit.
- Rapid Ride Line J travel on Fairview Ave E, Eastlake Ave E, and 11th/12th, Roosevelt.
- 24/7 service, peak time every 7.5 minutes. Expected to improve transit times by 17 minutes. Impact on car traffic is minimal. This will serve as a connection between light rail stops, connection for cyclists.

- Bicycle Master Plan identified PBLs on Fairview, Eastlake, and 11th/12th. These are being built.
- Seeking input on: rapid ride stations, loading zones, parking options, bicycle amenities, bus layover locations.
- Rapidridejline.comment.online is online portal for comments
- Schedule: contract in 2021, open in 2024
- Keep on calendar

Questions, Answers and Comments:

Q: How is parking done on Eastlake?

A: There is no parking on Eastlake, they will be forced on side streets.

Q: Why is the middle turn lane maintained on Eastlake

A: To preserve bus access

Q: How are the bus stops?

A: In lane stops with bike lane riding behind it.

Comments: There's no middle turn lane protections currently to prevent cars from driving around buses

Q: Where will trams run?

A: On Fairview, there will be a transit only lane for bus and trams

Q: What is the pushback from business so far?

A: Individual meetings have been made with business, there is some pushback due to loss of parking spaces.

Q: Is it possible to put a diagonal crossing at 43rd and 11th where there is a crossing over from right side to left side of road

A: This is possible and just has been introduced on some roads.

Concern: A protected bike lane crossover is where Fairview and Eastlake merge. This lane is ambiguous

SBAB Recommendations: We will keep this on our calendar and return to it later

SECOND PUBLIC COMMENT

There is not an opportunity for public comment during presentations. SBAB can be contacted at bikeboard@sdot.gov

MEETING ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned at 8:02

ATTACHMENT A

Meeting Minutes Distribution List:

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