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Mr. Stuart Goldsmith
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Re: SBAB involvement with SDOT City Center Bicycle Network Project

Mr. Goldsmith:

The purpose of this letter is to inform you of the Seattle Bicycle Advisory Board's strong interest in SDOT's City Center Bicycle Network Project, and to begin the coordination process between SDOT and the Bike Board. One of our Board members, Steve Kennedy, has already been in communication with you in this regard.

We understand that the main purpose of this study is to analyze the existing city center transportation system and provide recommendations for the locations and types of bicycle facilities within the network of protected bicycle lanes identified in the Bicycle Master Plan. The consultant team will provide preliminary engineering and 30% design of up to two miles of protected bicycle lanes within the project area.

Specific workplan elements are expected to include:

- Public Outreach (including establishing the Project Steering Committee)
- Plan and Project Review (including review of all modal plans and public and private projects on the horizon)
- Data Driven analysis (includes GIS-based mapping, development of evaluation criteria to measure and compare alternatives, data collection, bicycle demand analysis; and development of protected bike lane network, including prioritization and phasing)
- 10% Design of recommended protected bike lane network
- 30% Design of up to 2 miles of protected bike lanes

We understand there will be a citizen advisory committee to act as the Project Steering Committee noted previously. The role of the Steering Committee will be to provide input on design development of the center city bicycle network from a variety of community perspectives.

The Seattle Bicycle Advisory Board would like to be represented on the Steering Committee. This will help to facilitate close communication and an exchange of ideas and information

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between the Board and the City Center project. At this time, we expect the following members will serve as the Bike Board's representatives to the Steering Committee: Steve Kennedy and Kristi Rennebohm Franz.

The consultant is expected to be under contract this Fall, and the Project Steering Committee would be formed and begin work shortly thereafter. The project duration is expected to last for up to 18 months.

Building upon the recent successful implementation by SDOT of the 2nd Avenue protected bike lane demonstration project, the City Center Project will continue to expand protected bike lanes and connectivity in the Downtown area and build out the bike network as envisioned in the adopted Bicycle Master Plan.

When the consultants are on board, and you have a more definite schedule for the project and the Steering Committee, please let us know.

The Seattle Bicycle Advisory Board is looking forward to working with SDOT on this very important project.

Sincerely,



Kristi Rennebohm Franz
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