

**DOWNTOWN SUBCOMMITTEE of the
Tucson-Pima County Bicycle Advisory Committee**

Tucson Department of Transportation, 201 N. Stone Avenue, Tucson
Monday August 17, 2009

DRAFT Minutes
Prepared by Dave Boston

1. Call to Order / Introductions

A quorum being present, Richard Corbett called the meeting to order. Chair David Bachman-Williams arrived at 3:40 p.m.

Present:

David Bachman-Williams	Chair, Downtown Subcommittee
Richard Corbett	Member
Debby Kriegel	Member
Dave Boston	Member
Larry Robinson	BAC Member
Diahn Swartz	TDOT Traffic Engineering
Jennifer Donofrio	TDOT
Tom Thrivener	TDOT
Kim Abraham	TDOT
Ann Chanecka	PAG
Gabe Thum	PAG / RTA
German Quiroga	Barrio Centro Association

2. Call to Public

Mr. Quiroga introduced himself and expressed interest in being involved in current and future bicycle boulevard projects.

3. Secretary Vacancy

Dave Boston volunteered.

4. Street Car Tracks: Congress at 4th and Toole

It was noted that signs have been placed warning of the trolley tracks. Acknowledging the hazard they represent, it was questioned whether some sort of tractioning application could be done to the tracks at the point where bicycles are apt to cross.

5. Underpass bike parking area update and naming

Until further funding is obtained, the area will remain unfinished with amenities added as they can be procured. It was decided that final naming would best be done by the Executive Committee.

6. 9th Street: Restriping, peninsulas (size and lighting)

East of Euclid the speed of traffic hasn't seemed to be affected much. The peninsulas are not very visible at night and some reflective material that could be picked up by bicycle lights or LED flashers was suggested. West of Euclid, shortening of the proposed peninsulas was recommended to avoid bicycles being squeezed by the alternating design of the back-in street parking. The meeting for September will be held on location at 9th Street with Parkwise and Iron Horse neighborhood representatives.

7. Staff Reports / Project Updates

Tom Thivener reported the first bike corral will be located on Congress near the front of the Rialto theatre providing 13 bike racks and four motorcycle spaces. A letter of support for bike corrals to Jim Glock from the BAC was suggested. The 9th Avenue / Franklin pork chop project has been assigned to a project manager and should be constructed in a few months. A series of three 4th Avenue bike boulevard open house meetings will be held during the next two weeks. Diahn Swartz reported the approval of 10 foot travel lanes allowing the striping of Campbell from 3rd Street to Elm; Speedway from Alvernon to Rosemont; Park from Evans to Irvington and Pantano from Speedway to Broadway. These projects are completed or being currently done. Ann Chanecka put out a reminder for participants for the October 27-29 bike count. Stimulus funds could be available for projects improving Toole from Stone to Pennington and Congress from Grande to Frontage.

8. Topics for next meeting

The meeting for next month will be held on Monday, September 21, 2009 and will be an on-location meeting starting at 9th Street and 4th Avenue. 9th Street restriping and improvement features with Parkwise and Iron Horse neighborhood representatives will be the topic.

The meeting was adjourned at 5:00 p.m.

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