



Tucson-Pima Bicycle Advisory Committee

## **Tucson Pima County Bicycle Advisory Committee 2013 Annual Report**

### **Membership:**

- Appointed new representatives Broadway Corridor project, RTA 2040 Task Force, and Downtown Links
- Welcomed 7 new members
- Appointed Jean Gorman as ex-officio

### **Topics Covered**

- Cyclovia / Bike Fest
- Subcommittee process and issue coverage
- Continuing work with PCSD and TPD with monthly presentations by officers.
- Broadway Corridor Project and bicycle facilities there.
- Oro Valley Projects
- Annual BAC Awards
- Pima County bicycle parking code
- State bills related to bicycling
- Modern Streetcar and impact on cyclists
- History of 3rd Street and Mountain Avenue corridor provided by Corky Poster
- Downtown Links Project and bicycle facilities there.
- Leslie Ethan, Tucson City Office of Conservation and Sustainable Development presents Sustainability Plan
- Warren/Speedway Underpass dismount zone
- Pima County Bond Proposal and the BAC's role in proposing projects
- Pima County Bicycle Staffing Changes
- Tory Syracuse presents Green Streets Policy
- Paved Shoulder on Frontage Road in Green Valley
- Bicycle Friendly Business Outreach and the BAC's potential role
- CAP Trail plans presented by Nanette Slusser
- Review and ranking of current bond projects
- Tack Incidents on Mount Lemmon
- Bicycle-related Hit and Run Policy at TPD
- Current Bicycling Projects and Issues in Marana
- Bike Share Programs - An Overview of Trends in US
- Strategic Highway Safety Plan Update
- Green Lanes Project Presentation
- Innovative bicycle facilities in Seattle/Portland/Montreal/Bhutan
- Bike Lanes at Campbell/Rillito
- COT Pavement Preservation Bond Update
- Difficulties Obtaining Permits for Pima County Special Events

- BAC Ridership Goals

### **Guests**

- Nanette Slusser, PC
- Diahn Swartz, TDOT
- Leslie Ethan, COT
- Corky Poster, Poster Frost
- David Heineking, UA

### **Letters Sent**

- Letter to Ward 5 in support of possible Ward 5 road diets.
- Letter to PCDOT and DOT requesting signage changes at Diamond Road and the Loop
- Letter to Supervisor Carroll regarding adding bike lanes on Harrison
- Letter to Downtown Links team in support of multi-use path bridge at Stone
- Letter requesting RTA support for HAWK light at Treat/Broadway
- Additional letter in support of bike lanes on Harrison Road
- Letter in support of adding shoulders to frontage road in Green Valley
- Letter opposing dismount zone in Warren Underpass
- Letter in support of green streets ordinance
- Letter in support of maintaining current staffing levels in Pima County Bike/Ped program
- Thank you letter regarding Harrison Road Bike Lanes
- Letter to jurisdictions regarding inclusion of transportation-related bicycle projects in future bond packages
- Letter to ADOT re: Strategic Highway Safety Plan Update
- Letter in support of TDOT Bike Sharing Program
- Letter of appreciation to TDOT for recent improvements
- Letter to TDOT and Pavement oversight commission requesting consideration of bicycle usage rates when prioritizing neighborhood paving
- Letter in support of TDOT Green Lanes Application
- Letter in support of 3rd/Treat Conversion to 4-way Yield
- Letter to PC Attorney's office regarding permits and liability limits

### **Executive Subcommittee**

#### *Subcommittee process and issue coverage*

We determined that we would rename the "Downtown Subcommittee" to "Urban Core Facilities Subcommittee" to more accurately reflect its range, and to make it clearer to new members and the public how it differs from the Facilities Subcommittee.

#### *Letter-writing policy for Executive subcommittee*

We discussed and confirmed that the Executive Subcommittee can take action and write letters on matters of urgency provided that it makes a full report to the main body as quickly as possible afterwards. Other subcommittees must still run letters past the full body unless they are strictly requests for information.

### **Facilities Subcommittee**

New co-chairs appointed: Adam Wade and Brian Beck  
Started project tracking list

## **Urban Core Facilities Subcommittee**

In 2013 there was one item on the agenda at every single meeting of this sub-committee. That agenda item was the Streetcar. As a committee and otherwise as individuals many hours have been spent in this last year, to say nothing of previous years, on making sure the Streetcar is as bicycle friendly as possible. There is no overcoming the fact that the mixture of bicycle tires and steel tracks is dangerous to those who ride the bicycles. In combination with door zone issues it is even worse.

We can say that there has been improved design in several places along the route as a result of our efforts. Some of these design improvements happened before an element was installed and some afterwards with a re-installation. On one occasion we actually had an improvement happen on the day of the installation thanks to some quick work by Ann and the streetcar team. There are some promised improvements that are still to be completed.

Specifically in 2013 our committee was involved in the placement of the bike 'sharrow' signage along 4th Ave as well as other places. Ann ably led us through consideration of the green lane and bike box markings at various places along the route. The bypass at the Cushing and Granada station was greatly improved. The loading zone on Park between 2nd and University was removed for safety, as will be the loading zone at Congress and 5th St. The southeast corner of 2nd and Park was redone to give cyclists a wider turning path.

Beyond the streetcar issues we have dealt with the design of the 22nd and Kino intersection, 3rd St. University signage, 9th St. bump-outs, the pinch point at Park and 19th, 6th Ave. re-striping from the RR to Drachman, bike parking at the Main Library, the 3rd St./Treat intersection, consulted with PAG on the great credit card fold maps, and various bike corrals.

We took on the ongoing issue of County Bond Projects, had reports and took actions on the Downtown Links (Barraza final mile) and on the Broadway widening project. We have looked at the concept of bike sharing for Tucson. These last four will be ongoing concerns for this committee for 2014. As will a last few nagging streetcar issues. We also served as a sounding board for Ann for her work on the Green Lanes application she has put together which will, hopefully, bring us monies to get designated separated bicycling facilities mainly in the downtown area.

## **Enforcement Subcommittee**

\* Launched bikecolli.info, a database of bicycle crashes in Tucson. While the subcommittee had been working on police reports for a number of years previously, this was the first publically-viewable release of the compiled information.

\* In April 2012, the Enforcement Subcommittee held a special meeting to help mediate the differences between GABA and the PCDOT regarding the Pima County Special Events Ordinance. Later, a letter was sent to PCDOT offering feedback about the special events permit process.

\* We assisted Melinda Preston in meeting a previously-unknown witness to her son's 2001 death in a bicycle crash. While Matthew Preston's death is

a settled case, the witness was able to confirm some additional details for Ms Preston.

\* Finally we reviewed targeted enforcement efforts by the Tucson Police Department.

**ATTENDANCE REPORT/RECORD FOR CITY  
BOARDS, COMMISSIONS AND COMMITTEE MEMBERS**

Tucson Code Section 10A-134 (e) provides that: "A member of a body who misses four (4) consecutive meetings for any reason or who fails to attend for any reason at least forty (40%) percent of the meetings called in a calendar year is automatically and immediately removed as a member of the body".

Please keep a cumulative attendance record by entering "P" for present and "A" for absent in the column corresponding to the month of the meeting. Include **each meeting called**, even if no quorum was present. This form need not be prepared for meetings cancelled for reasons other than lack of a quorum (holiday recess, summer schedule, etc).

Submit this record to the City Clerk as soon as possible following the last meeting of each calendar year, or no later than January 15.

Additionally, forward a copy of this record to the City Clerk **IMMEDIATELY** whenever it indicates that a member is not in compliance with Section 10A-134(e).

NAME OF PUBLIC BODY: <b>Tucson-Pima County Bicycle Advisory Committee</b>												
MEMBER'S NAME	DATE OF MEETING (2013)											
	J	F	M	A	M	J	J	A	S	O	N	D
Tory Syracuse - Mayor	A	A	P	P	A	A		A	A	A	A	A
Naomi McIsaac - Ward 1	P	P	P	P	A	P		P	P	A	P	P
Ian Johnson - Ward 2	P	P	P	P	P	P		P	P	P	P	P
Kylie Walzak - Ward 3	P	P	P	P	P	A		P	P	A	P	P
John Cousins - Ward 4	P	P	P	P	P	A		P	P	A	P	P
Ibrahim Guven - Ward 5	A	A	A	A	A							
Gloria Munoz - Ward 5						P		A	A	A	A	A
Sam Sanford - Ward 6								P	P	P	P	P
Beth Scott - Ward 6	A	P	P	P	P	P						
Bryan Blue DM	P	P										
Ed Yasencheck			P	A	P	P		P	P	A	P	P
David Bachman-Williams - PC	P	P	P	P	P	P		P	A	A	P	P
Brian Beck - PC	P	P	P	P	P	P		P	P	A	P	P
Ray Copenhaver - PC	P	P	P	P	P	P		A	P	P	P	A
Wayne Cullop - PC	P	P	P	P	P	A		A	P	P	P	A
Collin Forbes - PC	P	P	A	P	P	P		P	P	P	P	P
Martha Lemen - PC	A	A	A	A	A	A						
Allen Kulwin - PC						P		A	P	A	A	P
Tom Neiman - PC										P	P	P
Tom Hausam										P	P	P
Jean Gorman - PC	P	A	A	A	A	A						
Eric Post - PC	P	P	P	P	P	P		A	P	P	P	P
Karilyn Roach - PC	P	A	A	A	A	A		A	A	A	A	A
Larry Robinson - PC	A	P	P	P	A	A		A	A	A	A	A
Glenn Pfeleiderer - Marana	P	P	A	P	P	P		P	P	A	P	P
Adam Wade - OV	P	P	P	P	A	P		A	A	P	P	A
Charles Franz - UA	A	A	P									
Glenn Grafton - UA					P	A		P	P	A	P	A
Tony Amos - Sahuarita	P	P	A	P	P	A		P	A	A	P	A



Chairperson

March 1, 2014  
Date