



# CITY OF COLUMBIA

## BIKE AND PEDESTRIAN ADVISORY COMMITTEE (BPAC)

April 10, 2017

4:30 PM

Richland Library – Main Branch, Room 213, 1431 Assembly Street, Columbia, SC 29201

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- BETHANY BELL BRIAN FAULKNER • CHRISTINA GALARDI • DEBRA BLOOM • ERNEST GRIGG •
- FRITZ HAMER • GENE BELL • JANE DOWNEY JOHN GREEN • JULIE HARTWELL • KEITH GOSSSELIN •
- MICHAEL JURAS • SCOTT THORPE

- I. Meeting was called to order at 4:34. Members present: Brian Faulkner, Christina Galardi, Debra Bloom, Ernest Grigg, Fritz Hamer, Gene Bell, John Green, Julie Hartwell, Keith Gosselin, Michael Juras and Scott Thorpe. Attending City staff: Leigh DeForth, John Fellows and Dana Higgins.
- II. Consent agenda was approved with a motion by Mr. Grigg and seconded by Mr. Juras. This included the March 13, 2017 minutes and the Strategic Plan updates.
- III. Regular agenda
  - a. [2017 Strategic Plan Updates](#)
    - i. [Group A reports](#)
      1. *Grants* (Scott Thorpe) – The discussion revolved around how to take advantage of grant dollars and identifying partner groups willing to manage grant dollars. One suggestion to meet with similar groups, i.e. Charleston Moves, met with general approval.
      2. *BPAC Quarterly Reports to Council* (Keith Gosselin/Gene Bell) - Will take place at the next City Council meeting on April 18. A specific time will be sent out on Friday April 14.
      3. *Open Streets Event* (Keith Gosselin) Christina gave a summary of the evaluations and counts. A post event survey will be sent to Devine Street Merchants for their feedback. There was a general discussion about moving forward with more Open Streets events with BPAC acting as a consultant to organizations like neighborhood associations.
    - b. *Public Space Public Life Counts* – John Fellows gave a recap of the April 2017 PSPLC. More volunteers were needed and the cool windy weather impacted Thursday counts.
    - c. *Mayor's Bike & Walk Summit, Bike Month*: Volunteers are needed to hand out posters for the Summit. Below is the volunteer sign up form for Bike Month activities. BPAC Members are encouraged to sign up for at least one event. Check Facebook for Bike Month updates.
      - i. [Bike Month volunteer sign-up form](#)

- IV. OTHER BUSINESS: John Fellows encouraged BPAC members to attend the Foundation Square opening on April 17 at 11:30 in front of Preston Hall.
- V. PUBLIC COMMENT: There was no public comment.
- VI. Meeting adjourned at 5:41 with a motion from Mr. Juras and a second from Scott Thorpe.

#### **Upcoming Meetings & Events**

- April 12, 2017: Handlebar Happy Hour, Publick House, 2307 Devine Street, 6pm
- April 18, 2017: City Council's Bike Month Proclamation; BPAC Quarterly Report to Council
- April 20, 2017: Watermarked SC – Leadership Columbia Vista Greenway Tunnel Opening, 3pm
- April 24, 2017: Richland Penny [TPAC meeting](#), 5:00 pm; 2020 Hampton St., 4<sup>th</sup> Floor Conference
- April 30, 2017: SC State Championship Mountain Bike Race at Harbison State Forest
- May 2017: [Bike Month](#)
- May 3, 2017: Bike to School Day
- May 8, 2017: BPAC Meeting, 4:30 pm, Room 213 Richland Library Main
- May 19, 2017: Bike to Work Day
- May 20, 2017: Tour de Cure (Note: BPAC member assistance needed with the Bicycle Rodeo)
- May 4-5, 2017: [Mayor's Bike and Walk Summit](#)
- May 13, 2017: [Life is a Cycle Ride](#)

#### **Future Dates to Hold**

- September 7, 12, & 14, 2017: Annual Bicycle & Pedestrian Counts, 7:30 am – 9:30 am
- September 9 & 16, 2017: Annual Bicycle & Pedestrian Counts, 10:00 am – 12:00 pm
- September 15, 2017: [Park\(ing\) Day](#)
- September 17, 2017: [Open Streets Asheville](#)