



CITY OF COLUMBIA
BIKE AND PEDESTRIAN ADVISORY COMMITTEE (BPAC)
June 12, 2017
4:30 PM
Richland Library – Main Branch, Room 213, 1431 Assembly Street, Columbia, SC 29201

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

I. The June 12, 2017 meeting was called to order at 4:36 with the following members present: Bethany Bell, Brian Faulkner, Debra Bloom, Ernest Grigg, Fritz Hamer, Gene Bell, Jane Downey (arrived at 5:00), Keith Gosselin, Michael Juras and Scott Thorpe. Attending City staff: Leigh DeForth and Dana Higgins.

II. The Consent Agenda (see agenda) was approved following a motion by Mr. Faulkner and a second to the motion from Mr. Thorpe.

III. REGULAR AGENDA

- a. [2017 Strategic Plan Updates](#): The Safe Routes to School report was postponed until BPAC committee member Ms. Hartwell was able to attend and give the report. Instead, Ms. DeForth gave a report about the Walkable 29203 program. This DHEC sponsored project is designed to provide catalyst pedestrian projects for the 29203 area.

IV. **OTHER BUSINESS**: the committee discussed removing 3 Strategic Plan projects including: Midlands Bicycle Calendar, Kid-friendly Bike Park/Traffic Park and Bike Wayfinding. Ultimately the committee decided to declare the Midlands Bicycle project completed. The other 2 projects are in the planning and/or information gathering stages and should remain as Strategic Plans items.

Bike Month feedback: the committee discussed the 2017 Bike Month events. The initiative was considered a success. Suggestions for next year included providing more information on the calendar about each event.

Ms. Bell suggested a subcommittee to plan a Walk Month calendar of events.

Ms. Bell also requested more information about the [Cola Town Bike Coop](#) to be available in the minutes.

The Cola Town Bicycle Collective is a 501c3 who's mission it is to empower people by providing affordable transportation to those who may not have any other alternative. They work with everyone from neighborhood kids, to those that are transitioning, to the working poor to ensure a way to get where they need to go. They work with over half a dozen non profits and charitable organizations to make sure that anyone that needs reliable transportation, has it available. 1823 Superior St in Rosewood. Open Sundays 1-6, 803-216-5106.

V. **PUBLIC COMMENT:** there was no public comment

VI. **ADJOURN:** The June 12, 2017 meeting was adjourned at 5:43 following a motion by Mr. Faulkner and a second from Mr. Hamer.

Upcoming Meetings & Events

- June 14, 2017: Handlebar Happy Hour, Publick House, 2307 Devine Street, 6pm
- June 29, 2017: [Life is a Cycle ride](#), 6:00 pm, Finlay Park
- July 12, 2017: Handlebar Happy Hour, Publick House, 2307 Devine Street, 6pm
- July 17, 2017: BPAC Meeting, 4:30 pm, Room 213 Richland Library Main

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](#)