

**CITY OF HENDERSON  
BICYCLE ADVISORY COMMITTEE  
MINUTES  
February 20, 2014**

**I. CALL TO ORDER**

Although a quorum was not present, Chairman Richard Wimmer called the meeting to order at 4:09 p.m., in the Council Chambers Conference Room, 240 Water Street, Henderson, Nevada.

**II. CONFIRMATION OF POSTING AND ROLL CALL**

Mr. Scott Jarvis, Project Engineer III, confirmed the meeting had been posted in accordance with the Open Meeting Law by posting the agenda three working days prior to the meeting at City Hall, Multigenerational Center, Whitney Ranch Recreational Center, and Fire Station No. 86.

Present: Chairman Richard Wimmer  
Ron Floth  
Scott Seegmiller

Absent: Nanette Hilton (excused)  
Dawn Nielsen  
Paul Schmitt (excused)  
Steve Raucher (excused)

Staff: Scott Jarvis, Project Engineer III  
Derek Allen, Planner (arrived at 4:24 p.m.)  
Brent Gunson, Assistant City Attorney III  
Rose Fuscaldo, Administrative Assistant III  
Tedie Jackson, Minutes Clerk

Guests: Robert Crook

### **III. ACCEPTANCE OF AGENDA**

The agenda was not accepted due to lack of a quorum.

### **IV. PUBLIC COMMENT**

No comments were presented by the public.

### **V. UNFINISHED BUSINESS**

#### **a. Approval of the Minutes for January 16, 2014 Regular Meeting**

These minutes were not approved due to lack of a quorum. This item was continued to the next meeting.

#### **b. Report on Bicycle Friendly Community Application and Assignments**

Scott Jarvis, Project Engineer III, reported that the Bicycle Friendly Community application has been submitted and staff expects to know the result by May. Staff feels confident and optimistic about the application and uploaded 23 photographs of different biking activities to be used for promotional materials. He said staff wants to improve on enforcement and develop more educational aspects of the application.

It was noted that the City of Mesquite, Las Vegas, and Henderson all submitted applications.

### **VI. NEW BUSINESS**

#### **a. Chairman/Committee member discussion of ideas or questions on items that might improve the City's bicycling culture**

Chairman Wimmer commented that the Committee needs to determine goals and priorities and find a way to reach out to a broader cycling community.

The following suggestions were made to improve the City's bicycling culture:

- Placing an item on the agenda of a mini public forum for residents to provide input
- Residents can provide comments online
- Create an schedule of topics to be discussed throughout the year

Brent Gunson, Assistant City Attorney III, stated that agenda items must be clear and complete and a mini public forum topic is too broad. He commented that the public comment section on the agenda allows for residents to provide input on any issues.

Derek Allen, Planner, said the Committee can hold monthly open houses at one of the recreation centers and invite residents to discuss ideas. This would be considered an informal forum of an open house outside of this meeting.

Chairman Wimmer said scheduling monthly open houses is not necessary. He would prefer to add “general public” to Item 6a to get more public involvement.

Mr. Gunson will research whether this is possible and report back at the next meeting. He reiterated that an agenda item cannot say open discussion on miscellaneous issues.

Chairman Wimmer commented that enforcement and signage is needed on McCullough Hills Trail.

**b. Staff Report**

**i. Staff update on City Sponsored Initiatives and requests from Bicycle Advisory Committee**

Scott Jarvis, Project Engineer III, reported that that Bike Month is coming up, and the City’s internal biking committee for City employees is discussing ideas to celebrate Bike Month.

An external biking committee is looking at rolling out a program to get employees more involved in cycling. The committee members will be contacting the Chamber of Commerce and other businesses to address cycling from healthy business perspective.

The City will repeat the Lazy Man’s Triathlon and is finding unique ways to encourage people to ride.

The COH is getting e-bikes that will be housed at City Hall and can be utilized by employees to places in close proximity for lunch time and breaks.

Derek Allen, Planner, reported that the Master Bicycle and Trail Plan was approved by the Planning Commission. He displayed the map and explained the legend. He also noted that staff is developing a public map that will be more detailed.

**c. Discussion on committee future goals, emphasis, and assignments**

The following suggestions were provided:

- Recruiting more bike friendly businesses
- Providing more safe secure bike parking
- Establish routes with signage throughout the city and produce a map of routes to stock in bike shops
- Implementing more sharros or chevrons on roads
- Need connectivity and directional signage for broken trails
- The Code is not specific regarding location of bike parking
- Create more bicycling events
- Discuss ways to increase attendance at bicycling events
- Add bulletin boards on trails for people to post events

Chairman Wimmer expressed concern that there are missing links in the trail system caused by undeveloped parcels. He asked if the City could put a piece of temporary asphalt in these areas until the property is developed.

Mr. Gunson replied that the City can only construct things on property if we pay fair market value. The City cannot put in temporary construction on property it does not own.

Mr. Jarvis noted that another concern is many of these areas are NDOT right of way or in another jurisdiction.

Responding to a question as to whether the City can possibly create a special improvement district for these little areas, Mr. Gunson said trails are not included in local improvement districts or special improvement districts. It is difficult to do them for small portions because startup costs are high.

**d. Nevada Moves Day**

This item was not discussed.

**VIII. PUBLIC COMMENT**

Robert Crook, 1894 Hillsboro Drive, said crossing at Gibson Road is difficult because of traffic. Regarding the Amargosa Trail where it ends near Stephanie, he suggested adding informational signage that says recommended bike route. He referred to the crossing of the Union Pacific RR Trail at horizon, and asked if it is possible to turn the gates to see the traffic.

He commented that many people work during this time, which may impact getting more public input at the meetings.

**IX. CHAIRMAN/MEMBER COMMENTS**

No chairman or member comments were presented.

**X. SET NEXT MEETING AND POSSIBLE FUTURE MEETINGS**

The next meeting was scheduled for February 20, 2014, at 4:00 p.m. to 5:30 p.m.

**XI. ADJOURNMENT**

There being no further business to be discussed, Chairman Wimmer adjourned the meeting at 5:29 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

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Tedie Jackson,  
Minutes Clerk