



City of Tacoma Bicycle and Pedestrian Technical Advisory Group

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MINUTES March 27, 2023 5:30-7:30 PM

- **Call to order and land acknowledgement**

Chair Jenn called the meeting to order at 5:33 PM.

We gratefully honor and acknowledge that we reside on the traditional lands of the Puyallup People. The Puyallup people have lived on this land since the beginning of time. They are still here today. They live, work, raise their children, take care of their community, practice their traditional ways and speak the Twulshootseed language – just as their ancestors did.

- **Introductions & Approval of Minutes**

Members Jenn, Dana, Ileana, Thomas, Matthew, Julian, Michael, Teena, and Riley were present. Member Mattice was absent.

It was moved (Members Julian) and seconded (Member Thomas) to approve the January 23, 2023, minutes. The March 27, 2023, agenda were approved as presented.

- **Public Comment**

Larry Leveen provided public comment regarding Pierce County's Vision Zero plan development.

- **Business Items:**

- **Bikeshare Pilot**

Cody Danforth and Mike Tirey, Razor, presented the new electric bikeshare program that will be launched in May. The program launch will be smaller in scale with 40 electric bikes, requirements to lock at a bike rack, and geographic distribution. The group asked questions about program logistics regarding distribution, user eligibility, and future growth. It was moved (Member Thomas) and seconded (Member Teena) to send a letter with noted changes to Metro Parks to conduct an analysis on bike racks and plan to install bike racks at all parks. The letter was approved with minor changes.

- **Bike Month 2023**

Ashley Jones presented the City sponsored events that include the Water Flume Line Trail Party and Pipeline Trail Party that includes a demonstration with Razor and helmet giveaways, resource tabling, and light refreshments. The group discussed event activities and ideas to encourage attendance.

- **Transportation Master Plan**



Liz Kaster provided an overview of the upcoming Transportation Master Plan amendment process. BPTAG will be asked to review the policies, infrastructure improvements, and proposed priority active transportation networks. Chair Jenn recommended that members review the projects and proposed networks in their districts and bring ideas to the next meeting or email Liz with comments.

- **Staff Updates:**

Liz Kaster highlighted upcoming events for Bike Month 2023 and opportunities to get involved. She shared that the unfortunately City did not receive the Reconnecting Communities grant for safer crossings of I-5 for folks who walk, roll, bike and use transit. She asked for volunteers to potentially serve on a hiring committee for the City's program planner position and Member Michael volunteered.

- **Report from Transportation Commission**

Jennifer Kammerzell shared that the Transportation Commission discussed the major updates to the 6 Year Transportation Improvement Program annual amendment process. The Commission also discussed the Tacoma Dome Link Extension project.

- **BPTAG at other active transportation meetings**

Chair Jenn shared that there are several Safe Routes to School Events in Tacoma this Spring.

Next meeting is scheduled for April 24, 2023, at 5:30pm

- **Public Comment**

David LaCaille provided comments on the BPTAG workplan.

- **Adjourn**

Chair Jenn adjourned the meeting at 7:18 PM.



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