

Montpelier Bicycle Advisory Committee
Meeting Minutes
Tuesday, June 7, 2016
City Hall – City Manager’s Conference Room

Attendees: Jennifer Gordon, Farid Quraishi, Per Tonn, Michael Philbrick, Heather Voisin
Others Present: Savannah Riddle, Adam Maxwell (Local Motion), Laura Biren (AmeriCorps VISTA)

Abbreviations: MBAC: Montpelier Bicycle Advisory Committee; MEAC: Montpelier Energy Advisory Committee; LSA: Langdon Street Alive; MTAC: Montpelier Transportation Advisory Committee; MEAC: Montpelier Energy Advisory Committee

- 1) Agenda and prior meeting minutes not approved – no quorum.
- 2) Adam from Local Motion introduced himself and his role at Local Motion. Adam spoke about Local Motion’s plans for Montpelier and upcoming events. MBAC was introduced.
- 3) Public comment: Adam described Local Motion’s attempt at identifying promising event opportunities and collaborations:
 - A) July 16: Drive Less Have More Fun Fest – working with MEAC.
 - B) July 16: Do Good Fest at National Life – pop-up demo project?
Local Motion is looking for suggestions on where the pop-up demo project should be? From Langdon Street to State House? Also need to check in with Langdon Street Alive and what’s been decided for their July 16 event.
Local Motion is organizing a walk/ride up to National Life from Drive Less Have More Fun Fest → Do Good Fest. Will ask for donations from folks for same amount as parking would be.
-- MBAC can help with outreach and finding volunteers for these events.
-- Adam will have link for events/volunteers on Local Motion website.
-- Laura will check in with DPW on where bike valet racks are and will tell Adam.
-- Bike/Walk to Mountaineers Game: Local Motion is hoping to set up a table.
- 4) Number 8 on agenda was moved up on agenda to number 4:
 - A) Langdon Street Alive:
June 11, 12 are workdays when art is going up – [website](#) plug for volunteering
LSA is looking for support from MBAC to help get rid of a few parking spots on Langdon Street for “tactical placemaking” and for MBAC to recommend to City Council
Discussion of bike parking and backlash if underutilized. The Health Department would support removal of vehicle parking with their Healthy Communities Design Perspective.
Parking on Langdon Street bridge is a problem from the Police Department perspective.
Mention of businesses on Langdon Street point-of-view needs to be taken into consideration.
MBAC will take this discussion of parking spots to MTAC.
 - B) Ride to Mountaineers:
Emily Boedecker, Executive Director at Local Motion, will help to lead group ride.
Will confirm where 50/50 raffle money goes to.
MBAC needs volunteers confirmed for this event.
Laura will ask FreeRide for volunteers.

Mike Philbrick said this will be an opportunity to educate the public. Should make an announcement prior to group ride/walk departure about the Rules of the Road – list in terms of preferences. Can stagger groups if need be.
Mike Philbrick volunteered to ride and maybe will be an additional officer placed at Spring & Elm Street.

5) MTAC/Committee Structure Discussion:

Savannah shared Morrisville & Bike/Pedestrian Committee structure.

Question: stronger/more resources as a more focused committee?

Discussion of MEAC transportation subgroup as a model for MTAC.

Proposal: Merge Bike/Pedestrian Committees voting contingent, including the MEAC

transportation subgroup, into one committee to report to City Council.

Local Motion had proposed this structure (Bike/Pedestrian Committee) to Addison County

region as a whole – they have a regional MTAC and Bike/Pedestrian Committee.

MBAC will bring proposal to MTAC meeting.

Meeting adjourned at 7:30 PM. Next MBAC meeting scheduled for Tuesday, July 5th at 6:00 PM.