

Montpelier Transportation Infrastructure Committee

April 4, 2023

7:00 PM- 8:00 PM

Minutes

Members Present: Ian Anderson, ~~Peter Luyckx~~, Hanif Nazerali, Christian Meyer, Elizabeth Parker, ~~Craig Durham~~, Dona Bate (City Councilor), Sal Alfano (City Councilor)

City Staff: Corey Line, Department of Public Works

Open the meeting at 7:03.

1. Introductions
 - a. New Member, Sal Alfano joins us from City Council.
 - b. Kurt Motyka, Public Works
 - c. Susan Grasso, Local Motion
2. Review and approve agenda
 - a. Agenda approved, unanimously
3. Review and approve minutes
 - a. February Minutes
 - b. Minutes Approved, unanimously
4. Public comment and member announcements
5. Updates
 - a. DPW
 - East State Street
 - Project will cover the entire length of east state (Main/College) and Main to Realto Bridge (Combined Sewer Overflow). Project is full reconstruction and underground utilities.
 - Complete Street/Planning would call for sidewalk on both sides, parking, and uphill bike lane.
 - 5ft sidewalks, 5 ft bike, 8ft parking, 9.5 ft travel lanes.
 - 1.7M additional for realignment work as shown.
 - Discussed options for combined sidewalk/bike lane to remove bikes from the street level. Would be designed to be uphill only.
 - Signage and Sharrows on the North (Downhill) side.
 - Discussed Options for downtown stretch and Bus Stops.
 - Straighten crosswalk at Harry Sheridan.
 - Bike Boxes at signalized intersection locations?
 - Present to Council the second of the meeting this month.
 - **Motion: Based on previous design studies (Montpelier in Motion and Complete Streets Plan), and having reviewing the preliminary designs, we would recommend inclusion of a shared use path the full length of the East state on the south side for uphill biking and pedestrian use. Vote: 5 in favor, 1 abstain.**
 - Traffic Calming
 - Data collection request submitted to RPC.
 - Schedule for Early May.

b. Complete Streets Committee

- Trash management report/proposal discussed at two meeting, and submitted to the DPW. (Street furniture is considered to be ok for scope of CSC).
- Asking Council for funds that used to come from MTIC.
- Bike rodeo, Sunday May 7th Bike 10-12 at Montpelier high school.

6. Other business

a. Bike Share

- Bikes are available from a local source, that used to be in Burlington. Combination of e-bikes and 7-speed conventional bikes
- Desire to expand the e-bike lending library to a bike share, attempting to crack the software of the defunct company.
- storage facility to house bikes when on charge or needing maintenance; and off-season.
- location and space for hubs (ex. MSAC/Rec Center Barre St, Transit Center, City Hall, Country Club Road site and elsewhere along the shared use path)
- What is the tie in to the city, how would this be structured?

b. Timeline and implementation plan for Barre St interim solution protected bikeway

- Permanent solution: No right away needed, submitting environmental review, expect 2024 construction.
- Interim solution: City has their own stripping capacity, temporary bollards are available.
- Would there be pushback from public on interim solution?
- **Motion: MTIC recommends the proposed interim solution from the Main/Barre Street Scoping Study be done in advance of the permanent design construction in 2024. 6-0 Vote.**
- Corey will provide update to council.

c. Flashing Cross Walks

- Corey will distribute study from UVM/VTrans.

7. Meeting Adjourned - 8:43.