

SUMMARY MINUTES



Bicycling and Pedestrian Advisory Committee (BPAC)
Broward County Government Center, Conference Room 329F
115 South Andrews Avenue, Fort Lauderdale, FL 33301
November 13, 2019 6:30 p.m.

Board Members Present

Heidi Siegel, Chair– District 6
Steve Lim – Dist. 1
Michael Kroll – League of Cities

Jerry Layne, Vice Chair – District 3
Hugh Chakler – District 8
Phillip Kim – District 9

Board Members Absent

Fern Goodhart – District 4

County Staff

Nicholas Sofoul, Staff Coordinator
Min-Tang Li, PDMD

Josette Severyn, PDMD

Attendees

Christopher Restrepo, Broward MPO
Larry Wallace, FDOT

Howard Kaplan, Resident
Stewart Robertson, Kimley-Horn & Assoc.

I. Call to Order

The meeting was called to order at 6:33 PM

II. Roll Call

The roll was called by Nicholas Sofoul. Quorum was met with six members present.

III. Approval of Minutes – May 8, 2019

Motion: Member Chaker moved to approve the minutes, seconded my Member Layne. The motion was approved unanimously.

IV. Comments from Chair

Chair Siegel suggested watch Bicycle Urbanism by Design on YouTube by Michael Colville-Anderson. In addition, Chair Siegel announced that the annual Bicycle Ride event will take place on November 24th, 2019 at 6:00pm.

V. New Business

Broward MPO 2045 Metropolitan Transportation Plan

Mr. Restrepo gave a presentation on behalf of the Broward County MPO to discuss the Commitment 2045 Metropolitan Transportation Plan (MTP). He explained that the Broward MPO is planning for a 2045 projected population of 2.3 million people in Broward County. He progressed to delineate the 25-year long-range Transportation Plan they've come up with to help guide the federal/state transportation investments. Mr. Restrepo set the "call to action" guiding principles including working collaboratively with partners, aligning transportation funding policies,

complementing existing investments, and implementing the Vision 2100 Plan. He encouraged BPAC members to visit the Commitment2045.org website to provide feedback.

Greenways Master Plan Update

Mr. Sofoul introduced Ms. Sevryn to provide a presentation on the Greenways Master Plan Update. Mrs. Sevryn explained that the Greenways Master Plan is funded and will provide opportunities for recreational and alternative transportation. She remarked that the passage of the Transportation Surtax provides an excellent opportunity to update the Greenways Master Plan and seek opportunities to enhance it. Ms. Sevryn shared ideas for greenways design elements and trailheads. She concluded by providing a tentative schedule for the Master Plan procurement and update as well as highlighting BPAC expectations. Member Chakler commented that he's concerned that the County doesn't have a reliable north and south bikeway. Ms. Sevryn explained that there is an opportunity to explore additional alignments for greenways.

Approval of CY2020 Calendar

Mr. Sofoul recapped the 2019 calendar and explained meeting requirements stated in County BPAC ordinance. He provided three (3) options for meeting calendars. Calendar "A" is identical to CY2019 with (6) bi-monthly meetings starting in January and ending in November, Calendar "B" with (6) bi-monthly meetings starting in February and ending in December, and Calendar "C" with (4) quarterly meetings.

Motion: Member Chakler made a motion to approve Calendar "A" for 2020 that was seconded by Member Kroll. The vote was approved unanimously.

VI. Old Business

No old business.

VII. Agency Updates

Mr. Wallace announced that he's still working on the project list calendar and hopes that it will be available for the January 8th meeting.

VIII. Staff Report

Mr. Sofoul reported that the Complete Streets Team has been partnering with the MPO and many other Broward cities for a Lane elimination proposal for Dixie highway. He explained that the plan was deferred and there may be an opportunity for BPAC to get involved when the item returns to the Board. Mr. Sofoul added that currently all the advisory boards in the county are under "sunset review," a process that occurs every three (3) years. Additionally, Mr. Sofoul stated that Bicycle Month starts on March 1st, 2020.

IX. Committee Member Updates

Member Chakler mentioned BPAC's action earlier in the year to recommend that Broward County Parks waive entry fees for bicyclists and pedestrians during bicycle month. Chair Siegel acknowledged and committed to sending the approved correspondence.

Member Lim had a question about a bicycle lane on Pine Island Rd. Mr. Sofoul explained some of the current projects he is aware of along the corridor.

X. Public Comment

Howard Kaplan mentioned he has ties to an organization that provides bicycles to people in need. If interested to please contact him.

XI. Adjourn

Motion: Member Layne moved to adjourn the meeting, seconded by Member Chakler, unanimously approved.

The November 13, 2019 BPAC meeting concluded at 7:25 p.m. The next meeting is scheduled for 6:30pm on January 8, 2020 at Broward County Governmental Center.

BPAC Priorities: Encourage projects and enforcement efforts that prioritize pedestrian and bicycle safety. • Support timely and sustainable funding of bicycle and pedestrian infrastructure and amenities, including greenways and off-network paths. • Collaborate with public and private entities including, Broward MPO, FDOT, Broward County, and Broward municipalities to ensure Bicycle and Pedestrian projects, policy, and ordinances are implemented. • Promote bicycle and pedestrian focused outreach and events, especially those that underscore safety, funding, and education. • Endorse linkages for safe, comfortable, and convenient bicycle and pedestrian networks to seamlessly integrate with other transportation options.

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