

## **GABAC**

#### GREATER ALBUQUERQUE BICYCLING ADVISORY COMMITTEE

## DEPARTMENT OF MUNICIPAL DEVELOPMENT, PO BOX 1293 ALBUQUERQUE, NM 87103 (505) 768-3658

Timothy M. Keller, Mayor

Monday, April 8, 2019 **4:30 - 6:30 p.m.** 

7th Floor Conference Room, Room 7096 Old City Hall, (Fifth/Marquette NW)

- Welcome and Introductions
- Approval of the Agenda
- Announcements/Administrative

Meeting Format......Josef Jansen, DMD

- -Please wait until recognized to begin Comment/Questions
- -Written Questions/Comments and/or Response may be requested
- Public Comment

Please register on the sign-in sheet. Comments are generally limited to two minutes or less.

GABAC Committee Reports/Updates

DMD Engineering
Council Services
Parks and Recreation
APD
Planning
Bernalillo County
NMDOT District 3
MRCOG

- Discussion/Action Item(s)
  - Scot Complete Streets Review Process
  - Priority Gap Projects
  - El Pueblo letter

#### Adjourn

#### Next Regularly Scheduled GABAC Meeting: May 13, 2019

Members:

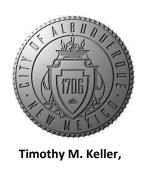
Irene Entila (City At-Large); Ed Gerety (City-At-Large); Rose McCamey (City-NE); Dan Majewski (City-SW); Jim Fordice, (City-NW); David Stromberg (City SE); Richard Meadows (EPC); Scot Key (Unincorporated West); VACANT (Unincorporated East)

City Staff: Josef Jansen, DMD, Engineering (768-3842)

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MEETING MINUTES April 8, 2019

#### Members Present - QUORUM

Dan Majewski Ed Gerety Scot Key Lanny Towney Irene Entila Jim Fordice Richard Meadows

#### **Staff Present**

Josef Jansen, COA-DMD Petra Morris, COA Council Services Chris Sylvan, APD Julie Luna, Bernalillo County Terra Reed, COA Planning Jill Mosher, NMDOT (Phone)

#### **Members Absent**

Rose McCamey

**David Stromberg** 

#### **Guests**

Diane Cress Mahesh Sita Marco Sandoval Nick Winowich Francisco Soto Dan Majewski called the meeting to order at 4:30 PM.

#### **Approval of Agenda**

Motion by Jim Fordice to include March agenda items to April 2019 agenda because there was not a quorum in March. Motion passed unanimously.

#### **Public Comment**

Mahesh Sita: American Heart Association: Request for complete street ordinance. He drafted an ordinance, which is a priority for the organization. The main point of the complete street ordinance is to address traffic fatalities. The goal is to get ordinance passed by end of June. He communicated with Councilor Benton also.

Francisco Soto: community cyclist: Francisco had concerns about the following:

- Northern Diversion Trail going under I-40 has a large number of birds producing waste. There are also missing or vandalized signs directing to streets.
- Comanche is collecting debris from industrial areas, and streets and bike lanes needs to be swept more often.
- Build up of sand on North Diversion between Menaul and Candelaria.
- Build up of mud in the bike path tunnel near Jerry Cline Tennis Center.

**Note:** Community member was asked to use 311 for concerns. Advised to take picture of the area and submit through 311 app. Another group to contact is Albuquerque Recreation Trails Committee.

#### **Staff Reports**

#### **DMD** Engineering, Josef Jansen

- Currently under construction is the University project from Thomas Bell Community Center to Gibson area. The area does not have bike infrastructure, and updates are going to include it.
- I-25 Accessibility Study led by Aaron Sussman, Bohannon Huston to survey I-40 to Alameda area of I-25. The purpose of the study is to find a safe and accessible area to cross the freeway.

  Note: Dan asked about the status of 15 projects which is still on hold.

#### **Council Services: Petra Morris**

- 20mph zone in the downtown area goes into effect April 14th.
- Outreach is going through APD social media, and speed signs are going up as well as working on traffic signal timing. Silver Blvd document will come out soon.
  - Notes: Active Transportation Coordinator- Mayor's office is interested in pursuing Vision Zero, and they are trying to address how would the bike/ped coordinator fit into Vision Zero.

#### **APD- Chris Sylvan**

- Community noticed an increase in police presence in the streets.
- 32,700 stops in 2017, and it increased to 44,000 police stops in 2018. This is proactive policing in regards to traffic safety.
- Problem response team are on foot or bikes, and the role is to access issues. SE Area command also

has a response team, and it's going to increase throughout the city.

Notes: Are the response teams targeting "bad drivers"? Chris states they are looking into it. Are they looking into expanding the number of police on bikes? APD is looking to increase all departments.

#### **Planning: Terra Reed**

• There is going to be a meeting this week to discuss the goals of Vision Zero, and Mayor's input of what that looks like. Discussion includes input from APD, DMD, TDI, NMDOT, and Transit. Vision Zero is going to prioritize top 5 high fatality areas for the city.

Note: Haven't received applications from scooter companies because of funding and traffic enforcement.

#### **Bernalillo County: Julie Luna**

- Valle del Oro trail is complete, and ribbon cutting is April 30th.
- There is going to be an extension to Rio Bravo this fall.
- Alameda Drain design to be complete at the end of summer.
- In regards to Woodward, there is going to be an extension from William St to Bosque Trail.
- Sunset Blvd reconstruction consists of south of Bridge to Valle de Bosque Park, and it includes bike lanes and sidewalks due to community input.

#### **NMDOT District 3: Jill Mosher**

- Update to El Pueblo. New BNSF Representative, Amber, was open to hear about the issue. She is going to provide a document of solutions that is related to a similar issue she has worked on.
- In regards of signage, she doesn't think a meeting had occurred about this inquiry. They are going to work with city about a detour plan.
- What is the short term solution to El Pueblo and Alameda? Question directed back to the city regarding signage and short-term solutions. Scot brought up concern about people dismounting on road, and it was reported that this is not part of the short-term solution, but more of the long-term plan.

#### **Discussion/Action Items**

#### **Scot- Complete Streets Review Process**

Purpose: To discuss the list of 2019-2020 Street Maintenance Program projects and how the complete street ordinance guides implementation of these maintenance jobs.

- Complete streets review includes project type, roadways, beginning, ends, and proposed changes. Some things excluded from the projects are purchasing right-a-way, road diets, speed limit restrictions, etc.
- The definition of striping includes the following:
  - \*Looking at current and 2040 Roadway plan
  - \*Examining width of current bike/driving lanes
  - \*Finding areas to reduce width of driving lane
  - \*Bypass Review Committee's limitations and "road diet" based on verified low traffic volume and other factors (rare instance).
- There are three positives of the 2019 CS review process, including other considerations. Leading Pedestrian Intervals means pedestrian signal goes on first before changing traffic light when the pedestrian signal is pressed.

Examples: Girard between Gibson and Thaxton will include 2 lanes and a large bike lane. Moon between Indian School and Menaul- 3ft bike lane. Concerns about community members parking in the street. Area to be

updated with 5 ft bike lanes. Mountain between Rio Grande and 12th "hostile Bike Blvd" is currently in the works, and input is being gathered, which includes Silver Blvd information. There are three growth areas. Coal from 6th to 4th downtown: reorder the street to parking lane, bike lane, and driving lane.

#### **Priority Gap Projects**

Dan requested for GABAC members to select the top 2 of the 14 projects to help prioritize.

#### **GABAC Annual Report**

Report consists of a recap of 2018 accomplishments according to the 2018 monthly meeting notes. Motion to publish the GABAC Annual Report by Ed Gerety. Discussion includes basic edits, high priority GAP projects, San Pedro and to add bike/pedestrian coordinator. Motion to amend by Dan Majewski. Second by Jim Fordice. Amendment passes unanimously. Motion to approve. Motion passes unanimously.

#### El Pueblo

Send a letter to BSNF to make it clear the company needs to take action. Motion to add Ed and Dan to be head of committee. Request to withdraw the motion by Jim. Within two weeks, Dan will look over the letter for any changes before it is sent out. Further discussion and votes are requested to happen in the next meeting.

#### **Additional Announcements**

Slow Roll one day a week starting in May-Sept. Family friendly Critical Mass with events.

Dan Majewski called the meeting to Adjourn at 6:11 PM.



Dan Majewski

**GABAC MEMBERS** (Please Initial)

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#### **SIGN-IN SHEET**

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Ed Gerety

Richard Meadows	TW)	Scot Key	-6/-
Rose McCamey		Irene Entila	12
David Stromberg		Vaeant	AT
Jim Fordice	JH	LANNY	
STAFF MEMBERS (Please Please place a che		n) name if you wish to provi	ide information
Josef Jansen			
DMD, COA Petra Maris Chris Salva	COA		
Terra Reed	Panning		



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#### **VISITOR SIGN-IN SHEET**

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Note: Please place a check before your name if you wish to provide public input.

(Please Print Full Name – First and Last)

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/	Mahesh Sita (AH)	1)	
	Mick Windwich		
	DIANNE CRESS		
	TerraReed		
	Francisco Elvis Soto		
	JULIE LUNA	- ", "	
	Marco Sandaal		
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#### Foothill Rd/La Vega Rd Bicycle Route Update -

Met with South Valley Neighborhood Coalition March 14<sup>th</sup>. Only comment was a concern about high level of traffic on La Vega Rd. Scheduled to meet with Atrisco Viejo neighborhood on April 17<sup>th</sup>.

#### **Bernalillo County Project Updates**

Valle del Oro 2<sup>nd</sup> St Multi-Use Trail – Nearly complete

Alameda Drain Multi-Use Trail (Montano to Osuna) – Nearly complete

Frost Rd Trail Rehabilitation – Out to bid

Alameda Drain Multi-Use Trail (Osuna Rd to El Pueblo Rd.) - Under design

**Woodward Rd** – Examining feasibility of design alternatives.

#### **Tentative Funding of Proposed Projects:**

Alameda Drain Trail Phase 4 (El Pueblo to Alameda) FFY2023-2024 – will probably happen earlier Isleta Blvd Reconstruction (I-25 to Muniz Rd) FFY2024-2025

2<sup>nd</sup> St & Rio Bravo FFY2021-2023 – will probably happen earlier

Sunset Blvd Reconstruction FFY2024-2025

# 2019 Complete Streets Review Meetings

Two meetings including representatives from:

- CABQ Department of Municipal Development;
- CABQ Planning;
- CABQ Council Services;
- ABQ Ride;
- MRCOG; and,
- GABAC.

<u>Purpose</u>: To discuss the list of 2019-2020 Street Maintenance Program projects and how the Complete Streets Ordinance guides implementation of these maintenance jobs.

Projects are listed in the format shown below, by City Council District, project type (Heater, Micro, CLMRS). One slight improvement this year was holding these Review Committee meetings earlier in the year, thus giving more time before maintenance work begins.

In case you're wondering, Heater-Scarification is "a continuous multi-step process in which the existing hot mix asphalt (HMA) pavement surface is recycled using specialized equipment. The HMA pavement surface is heated causing the asphalt to soften. The softened asphalt surface is then immediately scarified and milled to a specified depth as detailed in the Contract. The reclaimed asphalt pavement is then mixed with a recycling agent that rejuvenates the asphalt. The recycled mix is then reshaped and compacted back onto the roadway." <a href="NY Dept. of Transportation">NY Dept. of Transportation</a>

Complete Streets Review of 2020 Street Maintenance Program									
PROJECT TYPE	Roadway	Beginning	Ending	Proposed changes	On the Long Range Bike Plan?				
DISTRICT 7 PROJECTS									
2020 CLMRS	Pennsylvania St.	Comanche Rd.	Montgomery Blvd.	Narrow Montgomery Intersection, extend bike lane to intersection	Existing Bike Lane				
2020 HEATER	Moon St.	Indian School Rd.	Menaul Blvd.	Narrowed Driving Lanes, added bike lanes w/buffers where possible, and better defined parking	Existing Bike Lane				
2020 MICRO	Comanche Rd.	San Mateo Blvd.	Louisiana Blvd.	Narrow Driving Lanes, Better Define Parking, and Widen Bike Lanes	Existing Bike Lane				
DISTRICT 8 PROJECTS									
2020 HEATER	Morris St.	Montgomery Blvd.	Spain Rd.	Narrowed Driving Lanes and widened bike lanes	Existing Bike Lane				
2020 MICRO	Spain Rd.	Eubank Blvd.	Morris St.	Balanced Lane Widths	Existing Bike Lane				

## The Continued Reality of "Complete Streets" Implementation

As was the case last year, the following were considered "off the table" as CS improvement options for the Review Committee:

- Purchasing right-of-way
- "Road Dieting," including reduction in driving lanes (first requires traffic study)
- Speed Limit reduction (first requires speed study)
- Widen pavement of roadway or shoulder
- New curb or reconditioning of existing curbs, including "porkchops," etc. at intersections
- New sidewalks or reconditioning of existing sidewalks
- Working "through" termini instead of "between" them (i.e., not including all four sides of crosswalk).

## So What This Means Is...Striping

CABQ Complete Streets project implementation thus continues to revolve largely around:

- 1. Looking at the current and 2040 Long Range Bikeway Map for guidance on Bike Lane/Route placement;
- 2. Examining the width of bike/driving lanes in the existing roadway;
- 3. Finding places where we can shave inches/feet from driving lanes (e.g., 12 feet to 10.5 feet) and dedicate those inches/feet to bike lanes; and,
- 4. In a rare instance, bypass Review Committee limitations and "road diet" based on verified low traffic volume and other factors (i.e. in 2019, Girard from Gibson to Thaxton)

## Three Positives From the 2019 CS Review Process (Visuals on slides to follow)

- Girard between Gibson and Thaxton
- Moon between Indian School and Menaul
- Mountain between Rio Grande and 12<sup>th</sup> (sorta)

## **Other Positives/Considerations**

- Bike Box Eastbound on Constitution at Carlisle
- Consideration of road/MUP integrated signal system at 12<sup>th</sup>/Matthew
- Consideration of Leading Pedestrian Intervals downtown

Girard between Gibson and Thaxton



## **Moon between Indian School and Menaul**



## **Mountain between Rio Grande and 12th**



## Three "Growth Areas"

- Update and strengthen the Complete Streets Ordinance
- Formalize the Review Committee while widening the government and advocacy communities engaged (APD, ADA, Walkers, Bus Riders, etc.)
- Mitigate the eternal "Silo Problem" (e.g., Mountain between Rio Grande and 12<sup>th</sup>)

## Discussion