

Cambridge Bicycle Committee Minutes, 11/8/17

1. Notetaker – Randy
 - a. Attending: Jonathan Adams, Corby Bacco, Anne Marie Biernacki, Mark Boswell, Amy Flax, Dien Ho, Caroline Jaffe, Patrick Lynch, Michael Proscia, Melissa Shakro, Rebecca Simonson, Randy Stern, Andrea Williams, Cara Seiderman (CDD), Greg Hanafin (CDD), Justin Schreiber (CDD), Jim Wilcox (DPW), Brad Pillen (PHD), Stephen Meuse (TPT), Matt Nelson (CPD), Dan Wagner (CPD)
 - b. Guests: Terry Ward, Henry Lelaurain, Margaret Shinkwin
2. Data Overview: Crashes involving Cyclists, Dan Wagner, CPD Crime Analysis Unit, Matt Nelson CPD
 - a. “crash” = motor vehicle involved, for these numbers
 - b. Of 1,500 reported crashes each year, 160 involve cyclists
 - c. 28% of bike crashes required EMS transport 2015-2016
 - d. 40% in 2017
 - e. Since 2000, total crashes have gone down, but bike crashes increased then leveled off
 - f. More bike crashes than ped
 - g. General downward trend in bike crash *rate*, from 15/1000 cyclists in 2000 to around 10/1000 in 2016
 - h. Bike crash hotspots – Inman Sq, Mass Ave from Central Sq east, but also Bway, Camb St, and Porter and Hvd Sq.
 - i. EMS transport crashes mostly in squares and intersections
 - j. Areas with more cyclists have lower bike crash rate
 - k. Enforcement – cyclist are 7% of commuters, but citation rate for cyclists climbed from none in 2012 to 10% in 2015 then 7% in 2016
 - l. Trying to correlate enforcement with crash prevention
 - m. Not many police can spend time on bike enforcement unless there is a grant
3. Safe Routes to School
 - a. Justin Schreiber, transportation planner
 - b. Goal: increase walk/bike to school by 20% over 2015
 - c. 27% walk 3-5% bike
 - d. bike education class for 2nd graders, 6th graders, & volunteer “cycle kids” in 4th/5th. Buying 30 bikes to use for 6th grade on-bike training.
 - e. Possible bike committee activities: update “car free with kids” resource, create route maps, help w training, organize training
 - f. High School 12% bike, 29% walk – but these could be low, more bikes parked at high school
4. Wayfinding review – BU Bridge-Inman Sq
 - a. Reviewed current marked route
 - b. No consensus on changes
 - i. Some wanted return from Inman to go down Columbia to Sydney, some wanted to use Western to Paul Dudley White

even though not direct because of cycle track, some had no problem with Inman to Magazine as now

- ii. No better ideas from BU to Inman
- iii. Most thought fewer turn routes were simplest and best, but some thought best to seek out infrastructure
- iv. Some thought numbered cycle routes, like in Europe, would be better than signs to named places

5. Updates

- a. Windsor repaving soon
- b. Markings coming to Mt Auburn between Holyoke and Putnam (same config as before, at least for now)
- c. Inman redesign plaza design review 12/5 at 6:00 at library
- d. Will discuss bike committee projects in January
- e. Dec meeting is potluck with ped committee and transit committee at 6:00 on 12/13 on second floor