

Notes from Cambridge Bicycle Committee meeting of 6/14/17

Present: Jonathan Adams, Amy Flax, John Goodman, Stacey King, Ruthann Rudel, Randy Stern, Andrea Williams, Cara Seiderman (CDD), Jim Wilcox (DPW), Patrick Baxter (TP&T), Stephen Meuse (TP&T)

Guests: Mark Boswell, John Ellersick, Corby Bacco

1. Cambridge Street separated bike lanes running behind original schedule (construction bidding issues). Expect to start end June, and complete by mid-July (weather permitting).
2. Brattle St 2-way separated lane and Mass Ave one way separated lane from Putnam to Bow St. on approximately same schedule.
3. Huron Ave final paving will be done in 3 linear phases. First phase will be 10 days, starting last week in July.
4. Concord Ave final paving in progress now.
5. State safety legislation is proceeding with positive support for truck sideguards, better crash reporting, early cyclist education in schools, and bike light requirements.
6. Spring Women's History on Wheel ride was a big success. Approximately 167 riders, people enjoyed the stop and history talk at the Mem drive park. Time to start planning the fall Bowtie ride. Need a volunteer to organize it.
7. Cambridge River Festival participation in bike events was lower than hoped for, although the trivia wheel was a success
8. The Bike Plan and Network plan will be reviewed and updated. City will review all comments, and start a process to review and incorporate tweaks, with input by the bike committee and the public. More outreach in the fall.
9. PARK(ing) Day – no one from the bike committee stepped up to register. Andrea Williams will try to get something off the ground, perhaps an actual “park” this time in a city spot. Perhaps do a survey about separated bike lanes.
10. Various projects were reviewed
 - a. Mass Ave and Cedar: will have 2-way bike crossing with bike signals, new bike ramps, green markings across intersection; ramps have been installed; signals and markings planned within next few weeks
 - b. Broadway & Hampshire – in late summer, look at adding west bound separated bike lane on Broadway, eliminating one traffic lane. Does it need a bike signal to clarify movements and avoid conflicts? In the future when Broadway/Galileo is reconstructed there will be protected bike lanes at the intersection.
 - c. Garden Street corridor will be a “bicycle priority street.” West of Huron, green-backed sharrows every 200 feet where the road is narrow. In the middle, from Huron to Linnaean, full bike lane 1 way west (there is not room for protection but the bike lane will be against the curb) , sharrows eastbound. From Linnaean to Concord, bikes lanes in both directions. Some parking had to be eliminated.
 - d. Willard Street – 2 options: reconstruct as is, 2 way street, or make it one way north and add bike lane north (also improve sidewalk accessibility and add rain garden biobasin) Second option is preferred.
11. Bicycle Committee summer potluck in July. Cara will send out address.