

SUMMARY MINUTES



Bicycling and Pedestrian Advisory Committee (BPAC)
Broward County Government Center, Conference Room 329F
115 South Andrews Avenue, Fort Lauderdale, FL 33301
September 12, 2018 6:30 p.m.

Board Members Present

Michael Kroll, Vice Chair – League of Cities
Howard Kaplan – Dist. 7
Steve Lim – Dist. 1

Hugh Chakler – Dist. 8
Jerry Layne – Dist. 3
Art Seitz – Dist. 4

Board Members Absent

Heidi Siegel, Chair – Dist. 6

County Staff

Nicholas Sofoul, AICP, Staff Coordinator

Darby Delsalle, Assistant Director, PDMD

Attendees

Lisa Juan, Kimley-Horn/DOT
John Burns, Resident
Cynthia Corbett-Elder, BCT

Steve Cook, Resident
Mauricio Hernandez, City of Ft Lauderdale
Larry Wallace, FDOT District 4

I. Call to Order

The meeting was called to order at 6:40 PM.

II. Roll Call

The roll was called by Nicholas Sofoul. A quorum of the members was present.

III. Approval of Minutes – July 11, 2018

Motion: Member Steve Lim moved to approve the minutes, seconded by Member Hugh Chakler. The motion was approved unanimously.

IV. Comments from Chair

Vice Chair Kroll introduced the new Assistant Director of the Planning and Development Management Division, Darby Delsalle.

V. New Business

Approval of BPAC Annual Report

Mr. Sofoul presented a draft report for Board. Mr. Chakler suggested changing the sentence reading, “BPAC adopted updated goals,” to read, “BPAC updated its goals and adopted...” Additionally, he noted typo in a photo caption. Member Seitz suggested that report include language supporting the AIA Greenway. Mr. Sofoul responded by explaining that the report accurately reflects the actions taken by BPAC in the previous year. Vice Chair Kroll thanked Mr. Sofoul and commented that the report was a very good publication for the Committee.

Motion: Member Chakler moved to approve the report, as amended, seconded by Member Seitz, motion was unanimously approved.

Presentation: Broward County Greenways Update

At the request of BPAC, Mr. Sofoul provided an overview of the Broward County Greenways Master Plan. His presentation included a progress report on the implementation of the plan and a summary of future projects. Mr. Sofoul concluded his presentation by explaining next steps, including an update of the Master Plan and the potential for funding via Penny for Transportation initiative. He informed Board members that he will present at the next meeting on the Penny of Transportation.

Mr. Chakler asked about missing signage on the New River Greenway. Mr. Sofoul agreed to reach out the Highway and Bridge Maintenance Division to see if signage can be added to this section.

VI. Old Business

Approval of Recommended Legislative Priorities to the Broward County Board of County Commissioners

Motion: Member Seitz moved to discuss the old business agenda item prior to the presentation on Broward County Greenways Update, seconded by Member Layne, approved unanimously by the Board.

Mr. Sofoul provided a draft letter to the Broward County Board of County Commissioners on legislative priorities discussed at the July BPAC meeting. Member Chakler suggested beginning the letter with a more positive statement. After continued discussion, Mr. Sofoul clarified that the legislative priorities need to be simple and related to a specific change in state statutes.

Motion: Mr. Seitz moved to send the letter as modified, seconded by Mr. Chakler, the motion was unanimously approved.

VII. Agency Updates

Mr. Larry Wallace from FDOT District 4 introduced himself as the new Bicycle, Pedestrian, and Complete Street Coordinator. Lisa Juan, representing FDOT, noted that the State is also looking at the connectivity near the airport.

VIII. Staff Report

Mr. Sofoul was asked about the missing bike connection around Fort Lauderdale-Hollywood International Airport. He explained that Aviation Department staff will make a presentation to the Complete Streets team about how to bridge disconnectivity in the surrounding area. Following coordination with the Complete Streets Team, there will be a presentation to BPAC.

IX. Committee Member Updates

Member Chakler reported that cleaning of bicycle lanes are needed in several areas including: Nob Hill Rd. between SR 84 and Cleary Blvd; Miramar Blvd from Pine Island going west (city jurisdiction); Hiatus Road between SR84 north to Oakland Park Blvd (county's jurisdiction); and a pothole on University Dr. (FDOT) south of Riverside Dr. that was not repaired properly.

Mr. Seitz explained that sand from the beach often covers the bicycle lane markings along AIA and inquired if tactile bumps could be added in the striping to bike lanes along AIA. FDOT will investigate to see if it is an option along the corridor. AIA Greenway was also discussed.

X. Public Comment

Mr. Cook discussed that a street vendor is still blocking the sidewalk on the north side of SR84. Mr. Sofoul explained that this is an enforcement issue that must be reported to the City of Dania Beach Sheriff Office.

A member of public asked about the structure for B-Cycle. Ms. Corbett-Elder explained some history of the system and the structure for the partnership. She was asked to see if additional bikes could be added to Flagler Village and US 1 near Trader Joes. Mr. Hernandez, representing the City of Fort Lauderdale, explained that the City is pursuing dockless bicycle share and other micro-mobility solutions.

XI. Adjourn

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

The September 12, 2018 BPAC meeting concluded at 8:34 p.m. The next meeting is scheduled for 6:30pm on October 10, 2018, 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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