

## Bike/Ped Task Force Minutes 1/15/2004

Present: James Latimore, Elizabeth Teague, Tom Redinger, Blake Esselstyn, Paul Entry, Dan Baechtold, Tony Hauser, Kris Hinz, Claudia Nix

Thanked Tom Redinger for his time on the NC Bicycle Committee and the local TCC Committee of the MPO. Tom assured us he would continue his involvement in the bike/ped task Force.. We all agreed Tom is a valuable asset to us locally because of his years of experience. We will depend on him a lot.

Claudia reported on the State Bicycle Committee meeting in Raleigh. The State will begin taking applications for planning grants for bike & ped. Planning January 23. They are looking at granting 12 this first year.

It was brought up that there is a sign on Amboy Rd. that sticks out into the roadway and is a hazard to cyclists. Elizabeth said she would address that with maintenance dept.

### Time line and key deadlines coming up for 2004

- May 8-15 is Strive Not to Drive week

Kris Hinz has agreed to be our contact with that committee

Kris has agreed to help organize a ride, anyone else wanting to attend organizing meeting next one is Jan 29 at West End Bakery at 8:30AM.

- Pedestrian Plan needs to have a public hearing in March. Claudia will talk to Terri March about using this space for the hearing. Plan to hold at our regular meeting time, March 18<sup>th</sup> 5PM - 7PM. Hold as a drop-in session.

*Need letter to neighborhood associations, public service announcements, Have draft of plan, city maps, sidewalk inventory, N. Asheville assessment (get with Terri March), use for education of individuals – have educational materials, i.e. suggestions of walking options for walking rather than driving or combinations of the two*

- Sometime in May have a public service announcement ready for bike Month and Strive Not to Drive week if possible. *Join efforts with Early Action Compact Mike Bradley Buncombe Co. and Jan Davis Chair.*
- Need to coordinate with the community assessment in N. Asheville this spring.

Discussed the three committees for our group and their charters then had individuals choose which committee with which they would like to work.

**Please review your last minutes for more information on each committee and let Elizabeth or Claudia know which committee you would like to work on if you have not already done so.**

### Planning in Implmentation

James Latimore

Paul Entry

Tom Redinger

Elizabeth Teague – Chair

Dan Baechtold - resource

Tony Hauser  
Claudia Nix

**Communication & Public Relations**

Kris Hinz – Chair  
Elizabeth Teague – resource  
Blake Esselstyn  
Monica Kirshener

**Safety & Education**

Claudia Nix  
Tony Hauser  
Terri March

**Other items to be discussed further:**

How to distribute Bike Maps and how much to charge  
Look into Rail on the Riverfront being turned into trail  
Educating the community on traffic calming measures  
Cleaning the bike lanes along the river

**Resources people to invite to educate the committee**

Greenway Commission & Parks & Rec.  
Jay Swain, DOT Engineer or Greg Shuler  
ET will update us on the Fletcher plans and all MPO Projects