

Bicycle and Pedestrian Advisory Committee
May 2nd
NDS conference Room
5-7pm

Members in attendance:

Navarre Bartz	Amanda Poncy
Jim Keller	Cort Hammond
Scott Paisley	Will Lee
Eric Stavisky	Carl Schwarz
Frank Deviney	Peter Ohlms
Kyle Rodland	Stephen Bach
Dave Stackhouse	

Virtual tour of canceled ride

Amanda reviewed the intended bicycle ride route using Google Streetview. There was discussion over the existing infrastructure and the planned changes.

Features new and coming infrastructure

- The route starts at the Downtown Transit Station and goes east on Water St.
 - Chris Gensic received a grant to extend the Coal Tower Trail from its current location to the mid-block crossing at Lexis Nexis
- Travel along Coal Tower Trail to Carlton Road. Right on Carlton Road to Carlton Ave.
 - The group discussed need for a connection on Carlton Rd.
- Right on Carlton Ave to Franklin St.
 - Carlton Ave – Striping plans would add a bike lane toward Sunrise development, but concern about loss of on-street parking is a challenge.
 - Franklin St. Sidewalk design continuing to Nassau St. (CDBG Grant Opportunity). Due to roadway widths, sidewalk is narrower than preferred but still meets ADA
- Left on Franklin St. to Market Street to the Rivanna Trail
- Head North on Rivanna Trail to Free Bridge
 - At the Rivanna Trail crossing at River Rd/E. High st/Long Street, there is potential for additional ADA compliant trail head and pedestrian underpass to allow safe crossings at Long Street/250 Bypass.
 - There is also a need to cross E. High. Currently there is no pedestrian infrastructure.
 - VDOT is concerned that adding a pedestrian phase across Long Street/250Bypass would greatly increase congestion.
 - There was also discussion about how to safely connect the RTF to JWW trail.
 - One thought is to use Watson as alternate route to the 250 bypass
 - There was no consensus on a desired route.

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- Rivanna Trail to Razor Wire
 - At the VFW Chris Gensic has easement to build trailhead to access Rivanna river and connect to RTF
- River Road to Locust Avenue
 - Locust Ave. provides an important connection to trails in Lochlyn Hill development/Pen Park.
 - Sharrows planned in the stretch of Locust Ave. north of the bypass.
 - There was discussion about considering an advisory bike lane instead
 - Advisory bike lane is a new idea that is not in any guide manual yet.
 - The City of Charlottesville would need to work with the Federal Highway Administration to “experiment” with using an advisory bike lane.
- Park St.
 - Shared lane markings will be installed on the downhill to Melbourne.
 - Climbing bike lane between Melbourne and the 250 Bypass will be installed
- Melbourne Rd.
 - Shared use path vs. bike lane markings
 - CHS side of John Warner Parkway
 - Space to add bike lanes?
 - Use narrow lanes?
 - Expand side walk into multi-use path?
- New pedestrian bridge across RR at McIntire
 - Path is almost paved to connect to JWW
- Rugby Ave./250 on/off ramp
 - Currently being redesigned in an effort to minimize costs
- Sherwood Rd.
 - Trail added/continues through
 - Added curb extensions and pedestrian facilities
- Rose Hill Dr.
 - Take out turn lanes -> goes to 4-way stop
 - There was discussion about how to improve hazardous road conditions and inaccessible bike lanes
 - Remove debris heavy areas of lane at bottom of hill and replace with Sharrows?
 - Raised bike lane?
 - Look for solution to gravel rather than change bike lanes?
 - Maybe look at plans at a future meeting and hash out in a longer/more focused discussion
- Belmont Bridge plans

Commented [PA1]: I started describing the route/segments so that people who are reading this could follow along. Please keep going with that.

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- Send everyone to Levy Ave.

Monticello ave.

There was a discussion about potential markings.

- Add sharrows down the entirety as appropriate

Bike Month

Will Lee reviewed the main events that are scheduled for Bike Month.

- May 4th
 - JMRL How To Day
 - Will fixing bikes, teaching
 - Dave Stackhouse leading Rivanna Trail Ride
- May 6th
 - Bike Month Proclamation @ City Council
- May 8th
 - Bike to School Day
 - 1-2 volunteers at each elementary school
 - Give out shirts, slap bracelets, other swag
 - Community Bikes vouchers
- May 11th
 - Rivanna River Fest
 - MTB obstacles??
- May 17th
 - Bike to Work Day
 - Station on West Main,
 - Need to resend sign up
 - 7:30 to 9:30
- May 19th
 - Family Bike Day
 - Ix park
 - 10-1pm
- May 22nd
 - Wes Bellamy Social Ride
 - 5:30pm

Barracks/Emmet Street SmartScale Steering Committee Vote

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- Navarre and Eberhard are interested in serving on the steering committee for Barracks and Emmet Smart Scale Steering Committee
 - The present members decided to do an online vote with each nominee providing a short statement describing their interest in serving.

Upcoming Events

- June 1st – Tour De Solar
- June 3rd – City Council Meeting
- June 6th – BPAC meeting
- June 21st- Solstice Sunset Ride