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## BICYCLE/PEDESTRIAN ADVISORY COMMITTEE

MEETING OF WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 23, 2008

5:30 P.M.

STEPHEN P. CLARK GOVERNMENT CENTER

111 NW FIRST STREET

18<sup>th</sup> FLOOR - CONFERENCE ROOM 2

MIAMI, FLORIDA 33128

### AGENDA

- I. APPROVAL OF AGENDA
- II. APPROVAL OF MINUTES: NOVEMBER 28, 2007  
DECEMBER 19, 2007
- III. PRESENTATIONS
  - A. MIAMI-DADE PARK AND REC DEPT UPDATE – M. Heinicke, MDPR
  - B. SW 152 ST CORRIDOR STUDY – J. Guerra, MPO
  - C. FDOT PROJECT UPDATE – K. Jeffries, FDOT
  - D. FDOT TENTATIVE WORK PROGRAM – D. Henderson
  - E. MIAMI-DADE PUBLIC WORKS UPDATE – J. Cohen, MDPW
  - F. BIKE MAP UPDATE – D. Henderson
- IV. INFORMATION
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  - F. AMELIA EARHART PARK MOUNTAIN BIKING TRAILS
  - G. BIKE FACILITIES BROCHURE
  - H. BPAC MEETING DATES 2008
  - I. MONTHLY REPORT
- V. MEMBER COMMENTS

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## MINUTES

MEETING OF WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 23, 2008

### MEMBERS

#### PRESENT

Brett Bibeau    Betty Trueba  
 Susan Kairalla    Matt Toro  
 Theodore Karantsalis    Eric Tullberg  
 Ted Silver, Chairman

### MEMBERS

#### ABSENT

Steve Greenberg    Larry Thorson  
 Lee Marks    David Waud

### OTHERS PRESENT

David Henderson, Staff    Priscilla Morales, MDPW    Tom Blazejack, Team Hammerhead  
 Jae Manzella, Staff    Mark Heinike, MDP&R

The meeting began at 5:37 p.m.

<u>ISSUE</u>	<u>DISCUSSION</u>
<b>APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA</b>	<p>- <b>BB:</b> <i>Motion for Minutes approval to be done after all items; seconded by TK; vote – ET dissenting; the Chairman declared the motion passed.</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <i>Motion to move the MDPW Update first; seconded TK; vote – unanimous.</i></li> </ul>
<b>PUBLIC WORKS UPDATE</b>	<p>- <b>PM:</b> <i>Plans are being prepared for portions of the Commodore Trl.; from Cocoplum Cir. to Aviation Av. A B/P bridge will be built over the Gables Waterway. Way-finding signage and other improvements are also part of the package. The City of Miami has plans to install Police kiosks along the ROW. These are hazards to trail users and motorists, because they obstruct sight distances. These installations were never approved by the County. At least 3 are planned within Coconut Grove: 1 on Main Hwy.; 2 on Grand Av. The City will improve Bayshore Dr. from Aviation Dr. towards Mercy Way. The Waterways bridge will be solely for B/P use. DH/consultants will field review placement. Crossings will be enhanced.</i></p> <p><b>TS:</b> <i>Many cyclists do not use Edgewater Dr. and prefer Ingraham Hwy., this should be taken into account.</i></p> <p><b>PM:</b> <i>Signage will direct cyclists to Edgewater Dr. to ensure safety. The BPAC should send correspondence to the City requesting not to create kiosk hazards along the trail.</i></p> <p><b>TK:</b> <i>Motion notifying Commissioners of Miami and Miami-Dade County to support and maintain the integrity and width of Route 1, as it was originally planned as a part of the Commodore Trl., due to its integral part in the development of the Miami-Dade Bicycle Plan; seconded by ET; vote unanimous.</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>PM:</b> <i>MDPW is still proceeding with the SW 48 St. Bike Lane project, It is under bid, and FDOT funding is being requested.</i></li> </ul> <p><b>TS:</b> <i>Requested an opinion from the County Attorney on the process of removing projects, and which actions the BPAC can take to ensure this and similar projects move forward.</i></p> <p><b>PM:</b> <i>Bridges without sidewalks will be made ADA compliant.</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>SW 328 St., from 162 Av. to US-1, (a part of the Biscayne-Everglades Greenway), is completing design; next is 80' ROW acquisition. Therefore, only 14' wide curb-lanes will be constructed. Between SW 152 – 162 Aves., a path will be constructed. The portion eastward from SW 152 Av. is under design. More than likely, the existing path between SW 167 to 172 Aves would be replaced with wide curb-lanes. Where there isn't enough ROW for bike lanes, she will add "Bicycles Sharing Roadway" signage.</b></li> </ul> <p><b>TS:</b> <i>Suggested placing signage wherever there are motorists' (right-hand) turn-lanes.</i></p> <p><b>PM:</b> <i>The SW 27 Av. project, from US-1 to Bayshore Dr. is still going forward.</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <i>A path will be constructed from Biscayne Blvd. along the old Port bridge, widening the</i></li> </ul>

	<p><i>existing sidewalk and routing users under the new Port Blvd. bridge. This will connect to the AA Arena 16' wide baywalk.</i></p>
<p><b>M-D PARK &amp; RECREATION UPDATE</b></p>	<p>- <b>MH:</b> M-DP&amp;R has submitted a funding request for a Bicycle-Blvd. planning study for the Model City area. A goal is to link 3 corridors: 1) the existing Model Cities Bikeway, 2) NW 12 Av. to NW 50 St., up to NW 91 St.; and, 3) ML King Blvd. Trl. together with B-Blvds., bike lanes, and bike paths, since there isn't much availability for separate trails in this area.</p> <p><b>PM:</b> A B-Blvd. is being considered for Edgewater Dr.; <i>signage/sharrows will be added.</i></p> <p><b>MH:</b> There are no funds earmarked for the study results to be implemented.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <i>Another grant request updates the FIU Greenways Trail Maintenance Study, including an inventory of existing facilities: ownership, design characteristics; cost estimates, staff needed for future conditions; as well as, suggesting innovative financing; structuring for interagency coordination; and maintenance activities/frequencies.</i></li> <li>• The Old Cutler Trl. has an interdepartmental agreement to share costs with MDPW.</li> <li>• The Snapper Crk. Trl. – Segment A (from FIU to K-Land Pk.) has received a UPWP grant. <i>The 1<sup>st</sup> Public Workshop will be at 7pm on 2/27/08, at Cypress Elem. School.</i></li> </ul> <p><b>TK:</b> There are other schools very close to the Model Cities study area. Inquired if the study area could be extended.</p> <p><b>MH:</b> <i>He will add this to the scope.</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>PM:</b> <i>MDT plans to fence-off the Earlington Hts. Connector maintenance trail.</i></li> </ul> <p><b>TS:</b> <i>Requested an MDT presentation on this issue for next month's meeting.</i></p> <p><b>PM:</b> Mr. Cohen (M-DPW) has suggested an alternative route to connect NW 37 Ct. to NW 32 Av.</p> <p><b>MH:</b> <i>A unified greenway signage project is underway. This will include map accessibility, mileage markers, trail etiquette, etc.</i></p> <p><b>DH:</b> <i>Plans to schedule this as a BPAC Agenda item.</i></p>
<p><b>FDOT TENTATIVE WORK PROGRAM</b></p>	<p>- <b>DH:</b> <i>He will make a list of those projects on which the BPAC would like to hear presentations.</i></p>
<p><b>BIKE MAP UPDATE</b></p>	<p>- <b>DH:</b> <i>This map represents the latest version of facilities. The next step is to come into agreement with MDPW staff as to which facilities still hold true to their designation. The final map would be at a larger scale for easier use.</i></p> <p><b>BB:</b> <i>The Downtown insert should be updated to include those Miami River Grnwy. projects underway/completed.</i></p>
<p><b>BIKE SAFETY POSTER AND BUMPER STICKER</b></p>	<p>- <b>DH:</b> <i>A distribution plan is being formulated for libraries, bike shops, city halls, police depts., and other places of public assembly.</i></p> <p><b>SK:</b> <i>Suggested schools to receive them. Pick-up spots are good areas to place posters. Elementary Service Clubs can help disseminate/place posters.</i></p> <p><b>TK:</b> <i>Suggested having students paint overpasses to schools with a similar message.</i></p> <p><b>DH:</b> <i>This year, there is a high school Traffic Safety campaign.</i></p> <p><b>SK:</b> <i>Many schools have morning video notices; they could interview DH on this issue.</i></p> <p><b>BB:</b> <i>Suggested a poster in the B/P Kiosk. A billboard was mentioned previously.</i></p> <p><b>MT:</b> <i>Suggested them on the sides of buses, like a roving billboard.</i></p> <p><b>BT:</b> <i>These should be issued to County vehicles.</i></p> <p><b>SK:</b> <i>School vehicles (other than buses) can be used.</i></p>
<p><b>BIKE &amp; RIDE</b></p>	<p>- <b>DH:</b> <i>Over 1600 permits were issued at Metrorail stations last year; the kiosk is separate.</i></p>

<b>PERMIT REPORT</b>	<p>This is down from 2000 issued in 2006.</p> <p><b>TB:</b> Many stations run-out of permits.</p> <p><b>TK:</b> There are only 4 bikes spots per train. This is not acceptable.</p> <p><b>PM:</b> In Germany, there is 1 rail-car strictly used for bikes. They also have ways to keep bikes in place. <i>Metrorail cars should be retrofitted like this.</i></p> <p><b>DH:</b> MDT has a plan to do so.</p> <p><b>TS:</b> <i>Requested DH to invite MDT to the next BPAC meeting to discuss issues.</i></p>
<b>BIKE MONTH UPDATE</b>	<p>- <b>DH:</b> <i>This year, he is coordinating with Broward and Palm Beach Counties, the FDOT South Florida Commuter Services (SFCS), as well as the Air Quality Program of the FL DEP to put together events for March. SFCS will host a website for groups to post events. Classes, rides, etc. will be featured. March 1<sup>st</sup> will be a tri-county relay ride starting in Jupiter; stopping at several events; ultimately finishing at Oleta State Pk. for other events. The Snowbird Century ride will be at the end of the month. A downtown Miami art gallery is hosting a bike film festival. Many other events will go on.</i></p>
<b>BPAC ATTENDANCE</b>	<p>- <b>DH:</b> Several members have past the 5 absences mark, as per the By-laws. To help prevent future removals, <i>every month the attendance list will be part of the Agenda.</i></p>
<b>NEW MEMBER MANDATORY ETHICS TRAINING</b>	<p>- <b>DH:</b> All members are required to take the County's Ethics training.</p>
<b>AMELIA EARHART MOUNTAIN BIKING TRAILS</b>	<p>- <b>TK:</b> Issues raised previously are happening, despite what the Park Mgr. said. <i>He asked for M-DP&amp;R staff to attend an upcoming meeting.</i></p> <p><b>DH:</b> <i>Will schedule this for the February meeting.</i></p> <p><b>ET:</b> <i>Those original cyclists should be notified, so they may attend.</i></p>
<b>BIKE FACILITIES BROCHURE</b>	<p>- <b>DH:</b> <i>He asked members provide comments. The finalized version will be distribution next month.</i></p>
<b>BPAC MEETING DATES 2008</b>	<p>- <b>DH:</b> A few dates have changed, due to changes with the MPO Board dates.</p>
<b>APPROVAL OF BPAC MINUTES NOVEMBER 28, 2007</b>	<p>- <b>BB:</b> <i>Motion to approve the Minutes of November 28, 2007, as amended; seconded by ET; vote – unanimous.</i></p>
<b>APPROVAL OF BPAC MINUTES DECEMBER 19, 2007</b>	<p>- <b>BB:</b> <i>Motion to approved the December, 2007 Minutes, as amended; seconded by ET; vote: unanimous.</i></p>
<b>MEMBER COMMENTS</b>	<p>-</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>BB:</b> <i>Regarding the Progress Reports, Resolution 9-2007 (pedestrian overpasses) needs verbiage, such as: “<u>Recommending construction of new pedestrian bridges</u>”.</i></li> <li>• <b>ET:</b> <i>He provided comments to M-DP&amp;R regarding the Way-finding signage.</i></li> <li>• <i>He provided comments to M-DP&amp;R regarding the Ludlam Trl. bridge.</i></li> </ul>

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|  | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• He rode the southern area trails of Old Cutler, Routes 5, 7 &amp; 10 with a New Times magazine reporter. <i>An article should be coming soon.</i></li> <li>• He is attempting to organize an Old Cutler Trl. ride. He made a presentation to Palmetto Bay representatives, and soon <i>will do the same for the Pinecrest Special Events Committee.</i></li> <li>• He has been assisting with the Old Cutler Trl. extension.</li> <li>• He has provided comments on the progress of the SW 216 St. bikeway.</li> <li>• <b>TK:</b> Several MDT buses have deficient/broken bike racks.</li> <li>• <b>BB:</b> Suggested a demonstration during the MDT presentation.</li> <li>• <b>TK:</b> <i>He has a video regarding the Miami Springs Trl. gap, which he would like to show at the next meeting.</i></li> </ul> |
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- *The meeting was adjourned at 7:50 p.m.*