

**Bike to the Future  
City Committee  
Meeting Minutes**  
October 26, 2009  
MB Eco-Centre Board Room

**Present:** Mark Cohoe, Dave Elmore, Rob Cosco, Gord McGonigal

## **Call to Order**

The meeting was called to order at 12:05.

## **AT Included in Rehabilitation/Reconstruction Projects**

- We felt that the engineers/designers were not being creative in their designs in terms of putting cycling facilities into their plans
- Engineers/Designers were not looking at parallel routes when it is determined that no cycling facilities can be added to the rehabilitated/reconstructed roadway.
- There is no ability for the public to respond to rehabilitation/reconstruction projects
- What is the process for other departments as far as input to rehabilitation/reconstruction projects (e.g. Transit, Parking)
- We need to be plugged in at the planning stages to have an impact
  - We need to see projects at the 30%, 60%, and 90% design phases
- If AT is not included, we need to see the engineering reasons why it cannot be included and allow a reasonable amount of time for feedback
- Complete Streets Policy – has it been adopted anywhere in Canada?

### **Action Items**

Mark to send out City of Winnipeg Terms of Reference to City Listserve

## **Stimulus Spending**

- How were estimates developed?
- Can we see consultant contracts
  - If city denies this, go to council
- How will the city oversee 37 projects?
- What kind of background information is available?
- We need to be in the process
- Do consultants deliver preliminary report prior to design
- Appropriate timelines
- BttF can list projects and list concerns and give these to consultants through One Green City
- We can argue that public input early in the process would streamline things
- We can create list of concerns and deliver to consultants
- We would like to see the projects move forward in 3 stages

1. Consultants organize walk through and ask for feedback on problem areas, opportunities, etc.
  2. Consultants develop costed options, listing the pluses and minuses of each option.
  3. Public Open House
- We would like to see the terms of reference for the consultants, especially for the umbrella consultant.
  - Its too late to help once things have been designed
  - Can we make sure that the consultants have some members with cycling safety/cycling design expertise on their teams.
  - Can we get a mill and fill requirement on new bike lanes?

## **Operating Budget**

### ***Snow Clearing and Sweeping***

- Clear snow to the curbs on bike routes
- Who fixes curb if damaged during clearing
- Route Prioritization – we would like to see cycling routes receive highest priority (or at least 2<sup>nd</sup> priority)

### ***Other Operating Items***

- Funding for encouragement programs
- Funding to community bike shops
- Public education
- Marketing