



Technical Advisory Committee Meeting Two
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Meeting 2: May 4, 2010
 Time: 2:15 – 4:30 PM
 Location: The Heights, 8001 Dale Avenue

Attendees:

Jennifer Allen	Trailnet	Gary Padhorsky	St. Charles Co.
Steve Bender	O’Fallon	Rachael Pawlak	EWGCOG
Tim Brunzman	Richmond Heights	Bryan Pearl	City of Maryland Heights
Mark Cockson	St. Louis Bicycle Federation	Mark Phillips	Metro
Laura Ellen	MoDOT	Don Roe	City of St. Louis
Wendell Hill	City of Crestwood	Bill Schwer	City of Ellisville
Derek Koestel	City of Lake St. Louis	Ryan Thomas	Wildwood
John Kohler	City of St. Louis	Todd Waelterman	City of St. Louis Streets Dept
Carol Lindstrom	City of St. Charles	Helen Yane	City of St. Louis
Chris Ludwig	St. Charles Co. Parks	Michael Zeltmann	St. Louis County
Ben Niesen	Chesterfield		

TEAM Attendees:

Paul Wojciechowski	CH2M Hill	Julie Padberg-White	Vantage now FPA Group
Peter Lagerwey	Toole Design Group	Beth Quindry	Shockey Consulting

GRG Attendees:

Todd Antoine	GRG	Carey Bundy	GRG
Patrick Owens	GRG	Susan Trautman	GRG
Lonny Boring	GRG	Nancy Thompson	GRG

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1. Welcome & Introductions

- The meeting was brought to order by Project Manager Paul Wojciechowski of CH2M Hill
- Julie Padberg-White, FPA Group, reviewed the meeting process and outcomes
- The attendees introduced themselves.

2. Review & Confirmation of Previous Meeting Minutes

Julie began by reviewing the meeting one note summary and asking the group to confirm or edit the items listed as priorities.

Question 1: Have you installed or been involved with the installation of bicycle facilities in your community? [Most of the respondents had experience with facility installation] If not, Why Not?:

1. Management Opposition
2. Lack of interest from elected officials
3. Maintenance funding
4. [An added comment]: *Construction funding*

Question 2: Name three goals your organization has for the Master Plan?

1. Interconnectivity between municipalities and between on and off road facilities
2. Consistent and uniform standards throughout the region
3. Implementable Plan

Question 3: Name three outcomes your organization would like to see in your community as a result of the Master Plan?

1. Build relationships and communication with other agencies and advocates
2. Improved political support
3. Improved facilities

Question 4: What would you (your organization) like to gain from being a part of the TAC?

1. Collaboration / networking with other agencies and municipalities
2. Public works / organizations being involved in the planning from the beginning
3. Understand the resources
4. Be able to educate public works personnel
5. [An added comment]: *Planning for a diversity of bicyclists*

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3. Mission Statement Session

The following prepared mission statement, which was crafted from original Great Rivers Greenway documentation and Planning team documentation, was presented to four break out groups for individual group discussion and editing:

“Creation of a Bicycle Master Plan that defines a collaborative regional on-street bicycle network which connects employments centers, transit, residential, institutional and recreational areas as well as promotes the consistent design and development of safe bicycle routes throughout the City of St. Louis and portions of St. Louis and St. Charles County”

The groups recorded their edits and comments and reported their comments to the group. Their comment papers were collected for future discussion and refinement.

Revisions and comments were:

Group 1: *Design & Develop a comprehensive, implementable Bicycle Master Plan that defines a collaborative regional on-street bicycle network which connects employments centers, transit, residential, institutional and recreational areas as well as promotes the consistent design and development of safe bicycle routes throughout the City of St. Louis and portions of St. Louis and St. Charles County* for a diversity of users and a diversity of destinations within the St. Louis Metro region.

Notes:

- Implementable, not sit on the shelf
- Needs to be shorter
- Connectivity to existing off-road shared use rerecreational trails very important
- Not limit the geographic area
- Possible eliminate defining St. Louis, St. Louis County & St. Charles County to state ‘St. Louis Metro region’
 - Notes by T. Brunsmann

Group 2: Creation of a Bicycle Master Plan that defines a collaborative regional on-street bicycle network which connects employments centers, transit, residential, institutional and recreational areas as well as promotes the consistent design and development of safe bicycle routes throughout the City of St. Louis and portions of St. Louis and St. Charles County.

Notes:

- Shorter, more memorable i.e., to create a collaborative regional on-street bicycle network.
- Shouldn’t exclude parts of the region at the outset
- From this statement, The vision can be expanded through goals and objectives
 - Notes by H. Yane

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Group 3: Creation of a Bicycle Master Plan that *builds on the existing and planned network and defines a collaborative regional bicycle network that fosters connectivity and multi XXXX travel and promotes the use consistent design and development of safe bicycle routes.* ~~defines a collaborative regional on-street bicycle network which connects employments centers, transit, residential, institutional and recreational areas as well as promotes the consistent design and development of safe bicycle routes throughout the City of St. Louis and portions of St. Louis and St. Charles County~~

- Notes by: D. Roe

Group 4: Creation of a Bicycle Master Plan that defines a collaborative regional on-street bicycle network *connecting multi-use trails, business districts, major activity centers,* ~~which connects employments centers, transit, residential, institutional and recreational areas as well as promotes the consistent design and development of safe bicycle routes throughout the St. Louis Metropolitan Area. City of St. Louis and portions of St. Louis and St. Charles County~~

- Notes by: J. Kohler

4. Refinement of Goals

The following ten goals were each written on separate pages and posted on the walls. Each participant was given 5 blue dots to place on the goals that were most important. The following lists the original goals presented and the tally of **blue** dots:

- [24] Provide a prioritized system of routes that are contiguous and connected to key destinations and to other existing on and off road facilities.
- [21] Develop comprehensive bicycle design standards
- [17] Expand the public's view that bicycles are a viable mode of transportation
- [15] Increase the number of available bicycle facilities by 50% by 2020.
- [12] Increase commitment of public officials to support and / or initiate public policy supporting bicycling in state, regional, county and local governments.
- [12] Increased educational programs for users and public entities and their staff.
- [7] Designate regional entity enhance, promote, and oversee cross-county collaboration to ensure continued planning and implementation success.
- [3] Reduce the number of bicycle accidents by 50% by 2020.
- [0] Implementation of bicycle facilities by all public entities in the region by 2015.
- [0] Improve the consistency of enforcing traffic laws for motorists and bicyclists.

The group then began to **refine and prioritized** the listed goals by placing three RED dots on the remaining goals.

- (20) Provide a prioritized system of routes that are contiguous and connected to key destinations and to other existing on and off road facilities.

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- (16) ~~Develop comprehensive bicycle design standards~~ *Revised:* Consistent application of bicycle facility guidelines and standards.
- (NEW) Increase the number of people using bicycles for transportation.
 - OBJECTIVE: (8) Increase the number of available bicycle facilities by 50% by 2020.
- (5) Increase commitment of public officials to support and / or initiate public policy supporting bicycling in state, regional, county and local governments.
- (3) Increased educational programs for users and public entities and their staff.
 - OBJECTIVE: (14) Expand the public's view that bicycles are a viable mode of transportation

Additional future objectives for consideration:

- Remove barriers for bicycling

5. Session Wrap-up

Paul Wojciechowski and team discussed the relationship of the CAC and TAC input and the planning process.

The meeting ended at 4:15 PM. The next meeting date has not been determined, but TAC members will be notified by email as soon as possible.