



**CITY OF EL PASO, TEXAS
BICYCLE ADVISORY COMMITTEE MEETING
MINUTES**

**March 13, 2019, 11:00 A.M.
Trost Room - Basement
801 Texas Avenue (City 3)**

Members Present: 6

James Feuille, Gary Robertson, Ephraim Vivar, Leticia Olivas, Gabriel Perez, Richard Teschner

Members Absent: 2

Yvonne Soto, Weylin Burlingame

Vacancies: 1

1. Call to Order

Meeting called to order at 11:08 a.m.

2. Approval of Minutes

Motion made by Mr. Perez to approve January 9, 2019 minutes, seconded by Mr. Robertson, and unanimously carried to approve the minutes.

Motion made by Mr. Perez to approve November 14, 2018 minutes, seconded by Mr. Robertson, and unanimously carried to approve the minutes.

3. Changes to the Agenda

No changes to the agenda.

4. Call to the Public (Items not listed on the agenda)

Mr. Scott White discussed TxDOT's proposed improvements on Mescalero/Montana/Airport. Mr. White suggested adding Mescalero to bike plan.

Mr. Scott White discussed his concern with temporary lane markers and traffic control plans being used at streets being resurfaced.

5. Discussion and Action on Bike Month

Alfredo Austin, Streets & Maintenance Department, presented. No action taken.

6. Discussion and Action on Edgemere Linear Park "No Bicycles Allowed" Signs

Alfredo Austin, Streets & Maintenance Department, presented.

Mr. Teschner made a motion to recommend signs be removed from shared-use path. Seconded by Mr. Perez. Passed unanimously.

7. Discussion and Action on LPAFA Bicycle Connectivity Infrastructure Phase I

Alfredo Austin, Streets & Maintenance Department, presented.

BAC discussed high vehicular speeds and mixing vehicular traffic with cyclist.

BAC discussed the issue of not having a protected movement for cyclists at the Alabama/Fred Wilson.

The Chair of the BAC discussed safety vs natural cyclist behavior at this intersection. The Chair asked if there would be a continuation of the bike lane throughout Alabama if the bike lane is located on the right side. A BAC member suggested that signs and marking could be used to advise drivers about cyclist merging and mixing with vehicular traffic.

Mr. White, member of the public and Policy Director for Velo Paso Bicycle-Pedestrian Coalition, suggested analyzing accident data, and the opportunity of introducing traffic calming measures in order to reduce speeds. Mr. White stated that the introduction of bike lanes will attract inexperienced cyclists.

BAC members discussed the introduction of a roundabout at this intersection.

Mr. Teschner made a motion to recommend to keep the bike lane on the right side of Alabama. Seconded by Mr. Vivar. Motion was approved unanimously.

8. Presentation on 2019 Sun City CRIT

Alfredo Austin, Streets & Maintenance Department, presented.

9. Presentation on Safe Routes to School Program

Alfredo Austin, Streets & Maintenance Department, presented.

10. Presentation on Budget Process

Alfredo Austin, Streets & Maintenance Department, presented.

11. Discussion and Action on Future BAC Meeting Schedule

Alfredo Austin, Streets & Maintenance Department, presented.

Mr. Feuille made a motion to schedule the regular meeting for the rest of 2019 in April, June, August, and October. Seconded by Mr. Robertson. Passed unanimously.

12. Adjournment

Motion made by Mr. Feuille, and unanimously carried to adjourn the meeting at 12:20 p.m.