



L-A Bicycle Pedestrian Committee Agenda
Community Conference Room

Auburn City Hall
November 13th, 2013
5:00pm – 6:00pm

Present: Craig Saddlemire, Bob Rand, Sherie Blumenthal

Staff: Ed Barrett, Gary Johnson, Rick Burnham

Guests: Jamel Torres, Kristen Cloutier

5:00pm – Intro, Updates

Jamel – Healthy Androscoggin does Coalition Awards each year. Bob Rand won the H.A. Leadership Award. Hurray Bob! Presented to him by Jamel Torres (who went skiing). There is a Ped and Bike Info Center is accepting applications to be a “Walk-Friendly Community.”

Ed – Passed on email about Lisbon Street.

Bob – Will be voted in as board member for BCM and Bill Webster will attend on December 11th to discuss his concerns related to Safe Routes to School.

5:15pm – Best Practices Manual and Arterial Study

At the ATRC meeting, the budget was tentatively approved, allocating \$40,000 for a consultant and \$40,000 for in-house staff, totaling \$80,000. This is to do the best practices manual as well as study the arterials for improving to make bike ped friendly. The funding isn't available until Jan 1, when RFP process will begin. Start thinking about the specific areas that should be looked at. It will likely take a year from when it begins.

5:30pm – Lisbon Street

Jeremiah is trying to look at traffic light issue. ATRC will update their model with current traffic counts. Jeremiah can run a model and see what effect the scenario has. Mark said the lights should stay, based on his experience. There is concern about adequate breaks for pedestrians, though pedestrians break anyway. The light would be replaced with signs. Rick said we've entered into traffic signal upgrade project with MDOT. Rick hasn't told MDOT that a federally funded study says the lights should come out. If the lights had cameras, they would cycle quickly. ATRC is doing a big truck traffic study and will be able to inform what trucks come down Lisbon and why. We need to sign and reroute trucks away from Lisbon.

Lisbon St (West Minster to Adams) mill and fill – funded for FY14 (see Downtown Circulation Study)

- Bike Lane
- Single Vehicle Lane One-way (vs. two-way)
- Remove Traffic Lights?
- Maintain sidewalk widths
- Redirect large trucks

5:45pm Updates on the MDOT

Bob has no idea what he experienced. Steve Landry didn't seem sympathetic to bike issues. Gary thought it didn't go that bad. Gary understands why the DOT doesn't want to narrow the lanes. Gary thought that going through the intersections is a good idea.

5:55pm – Adjourn