

## **Active Living Advisory Committee (ALAC)**

Wednesday, March 21, 2018

3:00 pm to 4:30 pm

Planning Central Conference Room, 11<sup>th</sup> Floor

1819 Farnam Street

### **Present:**

**Voting Members:** Mark Stursma, Ben Turner, Tom Everson, Pell Duvall, Andy Wessel,  
Alan Kohll

**City Reps:** Derek Miller, Dennis Bryers, Kevin Carder, Todd Pfitzer

**Guests:** Nicole Wheeler

### **Notes:**

1. Approval of February Notes
  - a. Pell motion; Tom second; unanimously approved
2. Vision Zero
  - a. Recap of first Task Force Meeting
    - i. Introductions and stories of why task force members have interest in Vision Zero
    - ii. Brought up possibility of local legislation regarding seat belt laws, distracted driving, etc.
    - iii. OPD safety information has increased substantially in quality
    - iv. 2<sup>nd</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> meetings - move toward identifying and gathering data
    - v. Task Force assigned reading materials to review before next meeting
    - vi. Will divide into working groups
    - vii. Carrie Murphy is looking into getting a member of the City Council Public Safety committee involved in the Task Force
    - viii. Having NE legislature representative probably pre-mature for now
    - ix. Going forward, important to emphasize all the "E's" of Vision Zero (including engineering and evaluation, not only enforcement & education)
  - b. Other
    - i. Carrie is creating Vision Zero page on the Mayor's website – will be posting minutes from task force meetings there
    - ii. Task Force meetings are the 2<sup>nd</sup> Wednesday of each month in the Jesse Lowe Conference Room
3. Bike Parking Zoning Code Amendment Recommendation

- a. Will return to this in April
- 4. Discussion around Streamlining Active Living Event Permitting
  - a. Current process and issues (Alan)
    - i. Number of events has grown substantially and overwhelms City staff
    - ii. Cost for police staff is high
    - iii. Obtaining barricades can be difficult
    - iv. Some cities limit quantities of events – emphasize quality over quantity (may be something to consider)
    - v. Goal is to have successful, high quality active living events without overwhelming the City's resources
  - b. Plans for April Meeting
    - i. ALAC could potentially make recommendations to the City regarding permitting for active living-related events, including criteria for “filtering” events and involving the Convention and Visitors Bureau in supporting events
      - 1. Alan will meet one-on-one with Mike Gaughen from Public Works first, and then ALAC can revisit next month.
      - 2. Mike Gaughen and potentially Keith Backsen from Convention and Visitors Bureau could be invited to a future ALAC meeting
- 5. Review ALAC Action Areas to assemble 2018 Action Plan
  - a. All action items to remain but Andy will refine and clean up the list
  - b. Active Transportation
    - i. CMAQ – work is ongoing
    - ii. Per capita funding for transit - have Evan from Metro come to give an update on this and other transit-related issues
    - iii. Future opportunities – talk to Omaha Community Foundation about active living and incorporating it as criteria for grant selection process and potentially make recommendation to incorporate active living as criteria in Mayor's Neighborhood grants (keeping in mind funding is limited to \$5,000)
    - iv. Increased funding for crosswalk/bike lane painting – keep on the list of action areas.
    - v. Possibly invite Julie Smith and Jeff Spiehs to come talk about the Block Talks and issues related to sidewalk and active living infrastructure
  - c. Tourism and Park Utilization
    - i. Bike Park - outside groups (THOR) working on creating bike parks (Swanson Park, Tranquility Park) and additional mountain bike trails (Mandan Park) – but efforts seem to have stalled
- 6. Set April Agenda

- a. Approval of March Notes
- b. Vision Zero - All
- c. Continued discussion on event permitting - Alan
- d. Update on transit activities (rep from Metro)
- e. Bike parking – Mark

7. Adjourn at 4:32 pm