Active Living Advisory Committee (ALAC)
Wednesday, May 16, 2018
3:00 pm to 4:30 pm
Planning Central Conference Room, 11th Floor
1819 Farnam Street

Present Voting Members: Ben Turner, Mark Stursma, Andy Wessel, Tom Everson, Tameshia Harris, Alan Kohll, Chris Rolling

City Reps: Todd Pfitzer, Kevin Carder, Derek Miller, Carrie Murphy

Guests: Nicole Wheeler

Notes:

1. Approval of April Notes
   a. Andy motion; Ben second; unanimously approved

2. Vision Zero – All
   a. Recap of Task Force Meeting
      i. Data presentations from Public Works, Fire
         1. Where are hotspots to concentrate on
         2. Behaviors/causes of crashes
         3. Alcohol use was often cited as primary factor in data
         4. Sometimes secondary factors don’t get recorded in reports
      ii. Will be discussing who to bring in (from outside of task force)
      iii. NDOT data is publicly available
      iv. Task Force will make recommendations on how data could be improved in future
      v. Had call with Vision Zero Network after meeting about whether Omaha would be recognized as Vision Zero committee; no confirmation but promising response
      vi. Potentially could have outside help to assimilate and summarize data
   b. Road to Zero Conference in Atlanta in August – Tom will send info to Carrie

   a. Mark tweaked language of original draft
   b. Will add recommendation that bike parking be required in Mixed Use Agreements
   c. Motion to make recommendation to Mayor with proposed changes as discussed: Ben; Second: Alan

4. Lane Width Recommendation – Andy
   a. Min. lane width set by Nebraska Board of Standards and Classifications
   b. Andy talk to head of board
   c. Researched guidance from AASHTO
Draft letter recommends allowing 10 ft lanes as min. standard on streets with speed limits less than 35 mph that are not transit or truck routes.

Outlined research regarding cost savings, active transportation benefits.

Consider being less specific about speed limit threshold? Emphasize the context (urban context).

Reach out to other cities with MPOs / Class A Cities.

Ultimately, two recommendation letters:
  i. ALAC recommendation to Mayor
  ii. Mayor (and PW Director) recommendation to Board
     1. Could have mayors and PW Directors from other Class A communities sign on to the same letter
     2. Also possibly DC Health Dept
     3. Possibly professional engineering organizations: ITE, ASCE, etc

Likely either PW staff or Director or Marty reach out to other cities.

Todd will send Roger draft of recommendation.

Mark will reach out to Mark P.

Will first reach out to other cities with draft letter before ALAC sends recommendation to Mayor.

5. Set June Agenda – All
   a. Vision Zero Update
   b. Event Planning – Alan
   c. Metro Update – Evan Schweitz
   d. Lane Width Recommendation
   e. Update on 13th St Walkability Study

6. Adjourned at 4:14pm