

Melrose Ped/Bike Committee Meeting

Wed June 7, 2017

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Updates

- 25 MPH ordinance & education campaign
 - Ryan W reports: Rule is in effect. Saw new signs up today, more to come. Next step: city has \$500 from Mass in Motion that needs to be spent on signage in June. Suggestion is to procure corrugated plastic signs that can go in grass adjacent to roadway.
Paul mentions that the "Bike Melrose" signs on the bike racks in the past were great -- we should make Committee info more prominent on new signs as well.
- Complete Streets prioritization
 - Meeting was held to narrow down ideas to top 25 priorities. Consultants will help bring this down to 15 and open it up for public comment. General consensus that small isolated (e.g. sidewalk fix) projects should be addressed in other ways, reserving Complete Streets budget for larger projects that help create a connected network.
 - Ellen asks: Some of the project names did not have much info on scope. Example, "main street road diet", and it was difficult to choose because of the lack of clarity.
 - Timing: Ryan W mentions that Elena has a little more time to file than originally laid out (July 31?)
- Banks Place:
 - To be completely resurfaced in fall 2017
 - Ryan W, Paul Brodeur, city representation (Mike Lindstrom, Elena), and others met on site with MBTA.
 - Initial assessment is that there's no room for a bike lane on Banks Place. Some space can be gained by getting the
- Healthy Melrose
 - Great event, good booth, nice signage.
- Bike Convoy
 - Nice weather, lots of people (15 started in Melrose, 5 joined in Malden, additional 10 in Everett); group joined Boston Bikes festival at end.
- Bikeability assessment
- Melrose Master Plan
- Bike Tune-ups at the Farmer's Market

Melrose Bike Plan Idea

- Role in relation to Melrose Master Plan
- Review of drafting work from 2015
- Examples from other cities
- Discussion
 - Erin has suggested that we provide a document that has specific recommendations for certain locations within the city. This seems like a logical next step to follow on to the master plan that is very high level.
 - City staff cannot devote time to it, so we would need volunteer effort. We could apply for MAPC DLTA (district local technical assistance) funding to provide some staff. Call for proposals for DLTA funding went out yesterday (6/6).
 - Committee is supportive of the idea. Considerations mentioned are that we would need a fair amount of volunteer time, that we
 - Goal: Lay out designs for intersections, cross-sections, signage, have the overall vision that outlines what should be implemented when work is done.
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Important Dates:

- Sunday June 11th: Bike to the Sea ride. Ped/Bike Committee members leading unofficial Melrose caravan to the start of the ride in Everett. Meet at 7:55am at Main and East Foster, leave at 8:00am sharp. Ride starts at 8:30am.