MEETING NOTES
Redmond Pedestrian and Bicycle Advisory Committee
March 14, 2011 6:30 PM City Hall Trestle Room

ATTENDEES:

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MEETING AGENDA

1. **Transportation Master Plan Ped & Bike Related Community Involvement:** City staff reported on three routes proposed for walking audits: Avondale Rd and Avondale Way; Downtown; and Willows Rd and NE 90th St. The walking audits would be lead by Feet First and take place in May/June. One bike audit would be done and the route has not been determined yet. A community online survey will be used to help determine the bike audit route. These events are intended to gather community input for the TMP update, promote active transportation and engage under represented groups in the Master Plan development.

   Committee members suggested issues to address including sidewalk bike riding, use of bright clothing and lighting when walking and biking, and educating people on safe bicycle and pedestrian travel techniques. The bike audit route could be similar to the walk audit route and look at opportunities to improve walking and biking at the same time. The route could also emphasize routes that connect the neighborhoods to Downtown and Overlake. The audits should consider things from a family focus/casual rider perspective. They should also be based on destinations people want to go to.

2. **Use of Sharrows in Redmond:** The City uses sharrows as a tool to promote proper lane sharing by bicyclist and vehicles. The City currently uses them for missing gaps in otherwise continuous network and on downhill segments where there is room for only one bike lane in the uphill direction. There are other opportunities of where to use them that the City currently does use them.

   Generally, the Committee does not want to see sharrows everywhere. There is a feeling that they will then loose some of their effectiveness. There are opportunities to use them in locations where there is a need to clarify bicyclist position and movement in challenging environments. There was also agreement that this discussion will need to continue because it is a new tool that can be used. Prioritization of locations will be important.

Some possible locations identified during the meeting were: SR 520 ramp on SR 202 (another option would be improved trail signage), narrow section of NE 116th St, NE 60th St in SR 520.

3. **Updates:**
    a. Avondale Way Rechannelization – Construction summer 2011.
    b. 2010 Sidewalk Program – Completion delayed because of difficulties with contractor.
    c. 2011 Sidewalk Program – Development of next set of projects underway, including NE 51st St, NE 85th St, 185th Ave NE, Willows Rd and Cleveland St.
4. **Other Business:** Please bring any additional pedestrian and bicycle issues to share and discuss.
    a. Opportunities for bike café on Redmond Central Connector.
    b. Redmond Central Connector as both a place to be in and move through.
    c. Redmond "Road 1" (Effective Cycling) class

Next meeting is April 11, 2011 – Please let me know if there are any items you would like to see on the agenda.