



FHIA Transportation Committee Meeting

April 03, 2017 – 5:30- 6:30PM – Skyline

In Attendance:

- Betsy Braun, Virginia Mason Medical Center
- Bob Terrell, Skyline Resident
- Jim Erickson, M Street Apartments
- Frank Conlin, Skyline Resident
- Gordon Werner, Transportation Chair
- Doug Holtom, FHIA Coordinator
- Tom Gibbs, Skyline Resident
- Megan Hoyt, SDOT
- Lauren Wheeler, SDOT neighborhood Lead

Bailey Gatzert Safe Routes to School:

SDOT is going to be improving pedestrian and bicycle accessibility and safety around the school. 14th Avenue South and Washington Street will include a concrete curb bulb. The curb bulb will make the crossing more visible and allow for a shorter walk across the intersection. There is a proposal to add speed zone beacons on the west side of the school. There will also be new signage for the school for better identification of the school zone. Betsy Braun suggested lighting that increases awareness that the school and its zone exists.

Jim Erickson suggested that enforcement is a problem for speeding on Boren Avenue and 12th Avenue South. Betsy Braun suggested installing speeding cameras along 12th Avenue South. SDOT plans to install a 20MPH beacon at Boren Avenue and 12th Avenue South. Gordon Werner suggested that a left turn signal be installed at 12th Avenue South and Yesler Way.

SDOT's main goal was to identify challenges for this project that have solutions.

The curb bulb has two options: one with a bike lane adjacent to the curb bulb and the second one features a curb bulb with a bike lane cut-through. Betsy Braun suggested that option one would provide more green space, which SDOT is generating ideas for. Option two provides more buffer space for bicyclists.

Maintenance of the greenspace remains an issue for the first option. Jim Erickson reminded the group that FHIA did not submit the application for this project. A cost estimate should be released later this month by SDOT.

Letter Supporting Transportation Investments:

Transportation Coalition has written a letter that supports transit, (One City Center, Link) especially the Madison BRT project.

The vote for the letter passed unanimously and a letter for endorsement will be sent to the FHIA Board to sign.

Madison BRT Alternative Plans:

When will we know if we do not get funding? Tom Gibbs said that we should find out regarding funding later this month. Betsy Braun asked if it was possible to start talking about a plan B option. Gordon Werner said that there are actions we can pursue now like



removing parking lanes on Madison, adding transit signals on Madison, and moving the 12 to travel up Spring Street (like the BRT is planned to do). Gordon will put together a list of changes that can be done to the 12.

Other Business:

Bicycle Master Plan: What is the status of the bicycle master plan within First Hill? Spring Street and University Street are the preferred routes for First Hill. The BRT Project will fund Spring Street bike lanes.