Northern Colorado Bike & Ped Collaborative

Executive Summary – Wednesday, February 9, 2022 GoToMeeting Virtual Meeting

Public Comment

Stephanie Brault, a member of the public who lives in southeast Fort Collins, commented that neighborhoods along SH392 can feel like an island for cyclists. Ms. Brault asked about opportunities for bikeways and better connectivity to Fort Collins and Windsor. Willis reviewed progress of the Regional Active Transportation Corridor along SH392, including some of the issues with building and cost, and that some progress is being made by partnering with developers. Geary stated Fort Collins is reviewing recommendations for SH392 as part of the Active Modes Plan.

Windsor Advisory Bike Lanes

Paul Hornbeck, Windsor Senior Planner, Omar Herrera, Windsor Engineering, and officers in the Windsor Police Department presented on advisory bicycle lanes installed on Walnut Street. As part of the Walnut Street Bikeway project, different considerations were made for different segments of the corridor. Protected bike lanes were installed where parking could be removed, but advisory bike lanes were installed where parking was kept, and the right-of-way was not wide enough for full bike lanes. Windsor is still in the data collection and exploratory stage. Some themes from the discussion include:

- Walnut Street was chosen because it is a local road with low traffic volumes and low speed limits
- There was concern about how drivers should handle the advisory bicycle lanes before they were installed, but there have not been any major incidents reported
- Walnut Street will be milled and repaved, so the advisory bike lanes can be a pilot project
- No additional education has been planned, but there is interest in sharing educational resources. Windsor plans to bring advisory bike lanes back to the community to check in
- NoCo should consider a training or event to ride the new advisory bike lanes

RATC Update

Gordon reviewed updates received from different communities after the January 2022 NoCo discussion. Updated notes were provided. NoCo plans to review RATCs on a six-month schedule to keep the discussion and updates going.

2022 Work Plan

Nick Heimann, Fort Collins, presented on an opportunity for a regional Shift Your Ride campaign. A committee will be formed to develop the programming for potential rollout in September/October 2022.

AnnaRose Cunningham reviewed a proposal for the 2022 Multimodal Mitigation & Transportation Options Funds (MMOF) Call for Projects. The proposal will be discussed at the February 16, 2022 TAC meeting.

Other possible events or discussion topics for 2022 include a new CSU bike roundabout, a Severance bike/walk audit, bicycle and pedestrian funding, visiting the newly constructed portion of the Great Western Trail and discussing wayfinding along the corridor, and Safety Data and concerns.