



**Burlington
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Council**

Burlington Walk / Bike Council Agenda *www.burlingtonwalkbike.org*

Thursday, May 26, 2010 **5:30 pm – 7:00 pm**

Room 12, City Hall

(ground floor of City Hall, entrance on Church St side, room is to the left)

Pizza and healthy snacks will be served!

Introductions, brief BWBC overview, find a minute-taker, review agenda

In attendance: Christina, Nicole, John F. (Staniford Rd.), Bryan, Charlene, Phil, Steve, Damon, Gretchen (Front St.), Stu (Facilitation & minutes by Christina)

Inspiration: View selections from Streetfilms' "Moving Beyond the Automobile" series

<http://www.streetfilms.org/moving-beyond-the-automobile/>

We watched two selections: the right price for parking and road diet. Discussion that followed felt that the road diet was more effective/better suited for Burlington. The Colchester Road Diet will hopefully become permanent shortly. North Avenue is the next road to be studied for a potential diet.

Pedestrian/Bike Path Crossing Issues

Staniford Rd. & Bike Path – John described the need/desire for a yellow yield to pedestrian sign for this intersection with the Bike Path. He has talked with Steve Goodkind who said it could likely happen, especially if funds were raised specifically to buy the sign. BWBC will write a letter of support and send to Public Works and will also ask for public comments via the listserv and/or website. The suggestion should also be sent to the Bike Path Task Force.

Battery/Park/Monroe Streets – Gretchen described the general confusion and disregard for the several crosswalks in this curvy section of road. Most cars do not seem to stop for pedestrians, there are four cross walks in a very short span of roads, right as the road makes two large turns. There has been a lot of discussion on their Front Porch Forum and it is a big safety issue. Unsure of what solution there might be. BWBC recommended bringing this issue to a Public Works commission meeting (3rd Wednesdays at 6:15pm at Public Works) and also send a letter to Steve Goodkind detailing the issues and asking for an analysis of the situation.

BWBC Retreat Planning

The time has come to look at our general organization and see what projects/areas of focus, etc. we want to work on, including how to best use the ideas and next steps from the Gathering of Walking & Biking Groups on 3/12/11.

Retreat is scheduled for Thursday, September 22nd from 5-8pm. Dinner will be included, location TBA. The Steering Committee will work on an agenda.

Updates

- Burlington Bike Map – should be out next month!
- Burlington Bike Path Task Force – in progress, nothing to report
- Bike Parking Mapping project – has not met recently, data has been entered on city GIS page
- Bike Route Signage – on DPW's summer work plan

- *Way to Go! Week* – record year of participants, Award ceremony coming June 17th, look at www.waytogovt.org for more info
- Bike Path Signage – Green Up Day project (Steve & Charlene), documented everything, haven't heard back from Mari at Parks & Rec, will try again
- Stencil Painting – DPW will do, but need a map – Steve Norman will create this
- Secure Bike Parking – Kids Day (80 bikes), coming up; Folk Fest, Dragon Boat, July 3rd? Farmers' Market
- Church St. Marketplace Bike Parking project – no progress to report
- Green Up Day – also did sweep of Pine Street bike lane (but rains have continued to wreak havoc)
- Cherry St. Bike Lockers – signs coming soon

Other

How did new folks hear about BWBC? Google search, Front Porch Forum

July Event – Transportation expert from Victoria BC will be speaking in town (details from Bryan)

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The BWBC is an all-volunteer advisory council to the City of Burlington. We work closely with and advise the Department of Public Works and the Department of Parks & Recreation on infrastructure improvements and policy changes for walking and bicycling. The council also leads advocacy efforts and organizes events and activities that promote and celebrate walking and biking in Burlington and beyond.

Meetings on the 4th Thursday of each month. Next meeting Thursday, June 23, Room 12, City Hall