

**Minutes – Mayor’s Bicycle Advisory Council Meeting
March 13, 2013**

1. **Luann Hamilton** (CDOT): Welcome and introductions. Minutes from 12/12/12 meeting were reviewed and accepted. Announced restructuring of CDOT’s Division of Project Development, which has been restructured into four sections: Citywide Planning and Services, Complete Streets Implementation, Public Way and Public Space Policy, and Program Support. The Safety Zones project is now under the Division of Traffic Safety.
2. **Janet Attarian** (CDOT), **Mike Amsden** (TYLin/CDOT): Complete Streets and Community Outreach. The new section “Complete Streets Implementation” will help with coordination of separate entities and help to further increase implementation of Complete Streets policies. There is a large potential to improve community outreach by setting up contracts by geographic region, allowing the projects to take a more holistic approach to better serve communities and integrating various services within one section of the city.
3. **MBAC Community Representatives Discussion:** Inquired on various matters, including:
Wells Street upgrade: Wells St. will be resurfaced between Chicago and North Av. when weather permits, likely in April or May. Striping for a buffered bike lane set to begin in June.
Snow Management in Protected Bike Lanes: CDOT piloted plowing PBLs this winter and found it manageable. CDOT will work with Streets & Sanitation next year to test various equipment types.
Dearborn PBL: Holes that fill with water and freeze will be filled; green pavement and increased signage will be installed when weather breaks; CDOT will consider using bollards at intersections to discourage parking in lane. Bicycling Ambassadors will step up outreach when weather breaks.
4. **Ben Gomberg** (CDOT): Bike Share Update. Introduced representatives from Alta Bicycle Share, Kansas Waugh and Ed Inlow. The Bike Share program is to launch this summer, with 3,000 bikes and 300 stations and an additional 1,000 bikes and 100 stations in 2014. Station boundaries for 2013 are Montrose Av., 41st St., Damen Av., and Lake Michigan. 10 stations will be on Chicago Park District property. CDOT and Alta are still siting station locations, using a heat map generated by public input. Site maps will be available online, on mobile phones, and at back-lit kiosks at each station. Electronic maps can be updated as stations are installed or moved.
5. **Hope Barrett** (CLOCC): Introduced *CLOCC’s Blueprint for Accelerating Progress in Childhood Obesity Prevention in Chicago: The Next Decade*. The Blueprint creates goals, objectives, and strategies for Chicago to make a substantial difference in childhood obesity rates in the city. Includes sections on Food and Beverage Access, Physical Activity and the Built Environment, Schools, and others. Goals shared with the *Bike 2015 Plan* include ensuring that children take advantage of available opportunities to be physically active and expanding areas where children can be active. The full blueprint can be found online at www.clocc.net.
6. **Ed Barsotti** (League of Illinois Bicyclists (LIB)): Bike Safety Quiz. LIB developed an online Bike Safety Quiz to provide educational information on bike safety to lots of people. Lessons are in quiz format for adult cyclists, child cyclists, and motorists. Designed to be adopted and used by school teachers, driver’s education programs, and police departments. Teachers or officers can log on to create code numbers for schools or departments; the quiz will collect data on code usage, and can also create a Certificate of Completion. Individual quiz user location data will not be collected. Quiz to be finalized in 2-3 months, and can be found online at bikesafetyquiz.com
7. **Questions/New Business/Announcements:**
MBAC award nominations: 2013 MBAC awards for an individual, public agency and corporation helping make Chicago a better place for biking; also an award recognizing efforts to implement the *Bike 2015 Plan*. Send nominations to cdotbikes@cityofchicago.org.
Milwaukee PBL: Protected Bike Lane to be installed on Milwaukee Av. from Kinzie to Elston this year. CDOT will resurface the street first, construction to begin this Spring. A true Complete Streets project, Milwaukee will include bike corrals and racks and People Spots or People Plazas. Stay tuned for public meeting information.