# **BASC October Meeting Minutes – Monday, October 24, 2022, 5:30 pm STA**

# **Attendees**: (9/26) Larry Mason, Jamie Miernik, Morgan Andriulli, Bruce Weddendorf, Ben Payment, Kristina Payment, Austin Jackson, Danny Peters, Jennifer Colee (TE), Taylor Davis (HPD), Rob Wilcox (HPD), Dario Gonzalez, Vivian Nguyen, David Little (City Council), Andrew Little, Jo Beth Gleason (Planning). Anthony Rosado (HPD)(virtual)

**NOTE:**  All minutes are in the dropbox: [www.hsvbasc.com](http://www.hsvbasc.com/)

**Sept Minutes Reviewed:**  Approved with some corrections by Ben Payment.

Four new attendees (underlined names above) were introduced and invited to join the BASC group email ListServ at [www.hsvbasc.com](http://www.hsvbasc.com/) Select “ListServ” link on the BASC Landing Page, and please subscribe in the ”Subscribing to Members” section.

**Reports:**

**COH Planning:**

See page 3 from Planning from Jo Beth Gleason.

**HPD: 1.New bike cops:** Taylor Davis, Rob Wilcox attended.

2. Bike car crashes would usually be part of a crime investigation, so HPD may not be able assist or provide info right away as its part of a criminal investigation.  
3. BASC told HPD we’d like to see a listing and reporting of all the bike crashes in the past month. T. Davis said he could do that.  
4. HPD report on cycling fatality on S. Parkway (oct 12, 2022) Anthony described the cyclists injuries and cause of death not due to trauma, but a medical condition.

5. Vivian asked about the HPD training, could citizens take it, too. We asked about LEBA and IMPBU training curriculum/focus. T. Davis replied that it was more focused on how to use the bike to perform their job in the out-of-car situations. They have very little contact with other cyclists; mostly with pedestrians in crowds.

**COH Traffic Engineering**: Two actions were reported on. See Action # 6 and #8.

**Actions Review:**

1. **Action (cont): All of BASC will provide comments to Dario on the Crash Data Draft report**:   
   (10/24) Dario made his presentation to BASC. Lots of discussion. Data is presented, but hard to draw conclusions. Dario is still to produce a map of fatalities.
2. **New Action: Larry** will send a Vision Zero Action Plan to Dario.
3. **Action (Cont) Jamie Miernik**: Sidewalks on either side of Oakwood east of the Parkway. Jamie is working on a proposal to document the needed improvements to Oakwood Ave, possibly for a future DOT/MPO Active Transportation grant.  
   Frances updated saying Jim McGuffey (COH Dept of Urban Development) is getting involved with the property on Oakwood and Kildare.
4. **Action (Cont): James Moore** will update the SeeandBeSeen site:  
   (10/24) James was absent.

James was to make verbiage revision to the reporting site page to instruct reporters to provide a links to public sites, such as You-Tube or Mimeo where their video and photos can be viewed as part of their SeeandBeSeen report. COH may have to use a phone or private computer to view the video, but this circumvents the problem that COH perceives in loading video to their site. Then, every month, BASC can get a summary of all the reports.  
We should also use the SeeClickFix website for Bike related issues. You can upload photos, but not video there. Morgan talked with Cycliq (Bike camera supplier) about the process, and they ID’ed a problem with the COH website; it only takes .com files.

(10/24) Ben reports that Dennis Madsen said they didn’t think there was enough use of the site to fix it. Should use See click fix, but better category would have to be developed. Andrew little is going to talk to COH IT. Send him an email about what we’d like to fix for reporting also where bike lanes should be. Alternative Mode review says use seeclickfix for this reporting. Jo Beth will get with Dennis to see if the Seeandbeseen can be improved to match what the Alternative Mode review says to do.

1. **Action: Larry, Jamie. Anthony, (cont)**

Safe Routes to School (SR2S) ideas to be prepared for schools and principals. We need to put together info and a “Plan” for a May 2023 event. The Nat’l SRTS Org has lots of material: <https://www.saferoutesinfo.org/> Must find a way to get it to all principals and see if some are interested. Get the material approved by the COH Superintendent or school board. Will contact “Rocket City Mom”, Stephanie Walker. Anthony thinks Blossomwood would be a good place to do a SRTS program. Ben Payment forwarded School board contacts.

Vivian will make a new project based on Anthony’s interest in making a safety skill class. And will add a new “Monthly topic”. Vivian wants to make a video of the class or some sort of safety skills class.

1. **ACTION**: (cont.) **Larry** will inquire with NACTO year to learn the benefits. And provide a letter from BASC to recommend the COH join NACTO.
2. **Action**: **Vivian** (cont.) to support new project for a BASC committee: Develop a posted/signed bike network of “Way Finding” with digital QR codes to maps of usable Bike Routes.

(10/24) Strava capabilities may be used in 2023 for Bikeways revision. Bike Lane layer versus Bike Routes layer is now on GIS map. Amy is GIS manager.

1. **Action: Gordon (Closed) for Jennifer Colee who** will look into a better/possible solution for safer conditions for Cyclists where the long-time bike route crosses Drake at Hastings.

Jennifer Colee has replaced Gordon as the TE rep to BASC. Discussion with Jennifer is that she mentioned a hawk signal nor a pedestrian island would not be possible because of the proximity to the major intersection at Whitesburg and drake. I think TE’s general POV is there are some areas that should not be crossed. However, citizens POV is that there are people who cross there and they need some security. Discussion about how pedestrians will cross where most convenient to get to destination because walking takes a long time and more effort physically.

(10/24) Closed. No room for median. Can’t put a x-walk or flashing hawk. Possible to replace with LED flashing sign. TE is not interested in discussing.

1. **New Action: Dario** to send pedicab contacts to Larry.

**Old Business:**

TE response on Oakwood (email from Frances discussed in AI #3 )

Sept 27 “RSA East Connector” public meeting report by Jamie and Vivian, who attended.

**New Business:**

BASC tabling material was mentioned.

Discuss a task force to review serious incidents.

**Community Events:**

Oct 22 Snatch back your rights

Nov 5 Tour de Ville and Pedal Power exhibition; would like a BASC presence there.

Adjourned: 7:21 pm

Next Meeting – 4th Monday, Nov 28th, 2022, Straight to Ale (STA)

**COH Planning: (10/24/2022)**

* COH Planning is currently working with ALTA Planning & Design consultants on a bike & ped safety downtown connectivity project (for downtown and environs). They are currently in the process of identifying priority projects to look at closer for conceptual design, one of them being the Lowe Avenue pedestrian corridor (with bike lanes).
* COH Planning recently submitted the USDOT Safe Streets for ALL (SS4A) grant application for the construction of the Holmes Avenue Complete Streets Corridor (mid-September).
* The PARC Bike & Ped Bridge was awarded a USDOT RAISE grant for $20 million; COH Planning just submitted a USDOT ReConnecting Communities grant for additional funding for the project (which was submitted October 13, 2022).
* COH Planning is currently working with Traffic Engineering and Miovision on a USDOT SMART Planning & Prototyping Grant to test out the new smart traffic light technology for bike/ped safety along Bob Wallace Avenue (first) to see if it can be implemented city-wide. <https://miovision.com/>  this grant application is due Nov. 18, 2022.
* COH Planning will be hiring a consultant to update the Bicycle Master Plan (probably beginning/mid 2023).
* COH Planning will be conducting the Greenway Master Plan Public Input Workshops the week after Thanksgiving (Times & Locations TBD).
* COH Alt Modes 2022 document is currently being updated and will be available in (mid) November.
* COH Planning to look into functionality/viability of See & Be Seen and SeeClickFix platforms.
* Bicycle Infrastructure Grant opportunity from Bloomberg: **Bloomberg Initiative for Cycling Infrastructure (BICI)** —for studies and/or implementation projects. This is a global competition, and only 10 cities will be chosen.

Grant description: Bloomberg Philanthropies, with the support of GDCI and leading experts, will select and award funding and technical assistance to 10 cities to accelerate the delivery and expansion of cycling infrastructure. BICI will celebrate and support cities that: Dramatically re-imagine infrastructure to reclaim and repurpose existing space or create new facilities that put cyclists first, Create complete networks that allow people of all ages and abilities to bike safely and conveniently, Show what’s possible by bringing world-class bicycling infrastructure to regions that currently lack it, Experiment with new materials, technology, or implementation methods in ways that make cycling networks easier to build or encourage more people to ride, Centers people above all else by taking into consideration the risks, choices, and tradeoffs residents face when deciding how to travel through their cities. The most successful proposals will feature projects that accomplish one or more of these goals while bringing together government agencies, community members, and resources in new ways; and are combined with new city policies that ensure cycling infrastructure improvements are implemented at scale.

Led in partnership with the [**Global Designing Cities Initiative (GDCI)**](https://globaldesigningcities.org/), BICI will:

* Fund ambitious cycling infrastructure projects by providing **grants of $400k to $1M.**
* Refine project plans by connecting winning cities with **world-class technical assistance from GDCI.**
* Implement projects and track progress by **training city leaders on data collection, resident engagement, and other industry best practices.**
* **Connect cities with a global network of peers.**

**Application submissions will be accepted on a rolling basis from November 10, 2022, to February 3, 2023.** **Grant App deadline: Feb 3, 2023.** Selected cities will be announced in spring of 2023.  Formal technical assistance and other program supports, including opportunities to convene and connect with other winning cities, will begin in the summer of 2023, and last for up to three years.

There will be three opportunities to participate in the “How to Apply” webinar, with registration links for each. (all same content)

Tuesday, Nov 1, 2022 @ 4 pm UTC (or 11 am CT): [Webinar Registration - Zoom](https://us06web.zoom.us/webinar/register/WN_mw5gWvs9SRC33PWww5yhDw)

Wednesday, Nov 2 @ 12 pm UTC (or 7 am CT): [Webinar Registration - Zoom](https://us06web.zoom.us/webinar/register/WN_B9QHjWqwRgKcc-VYMBSHAQ)

Thursday, Nov 3 @ 4:30 am UTC (or 11:30 pm CT): [Webinar Registration - Zoom](https://us06web.zoom.us/webinar/register/WN_1Jjfj1VbSS-e5gAULrqcXQ)