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BICYCLE TASK FORCE MEETING MINUTES

1. The meeting was called to order at approximately 7:03 PM
2. Members present included the following individuals: Devin Quince, Heidi Quince, Nicholas Ellens, Phil Greenwald, and Ben Ortiz
3. The May 21, 2018 meeting minutes were approved as presented. However, Nicholas Ellens (Nick) asked how it's decided what items make it onto the agenda from the agenda items parking lot. Devin Quince (Devin) suggested an agenda item to discuss parking lot items. Devin referred to the Transportation Advisory Board (TAB) as an example and stated that FasTracks is a recurring parking lot item. Nick asked if the Task Force could offer parking lot items at the end of each meeting.
4. Ben Ortiz (Ben) asked if it would be necessary to go over the highlights of the May 21, 2018 Bicycle Task Force (Task Force) meeting. The Task Force agreed that that wouldn't be necessary, so this item was skipped.
5. Bike Week: A Task Force member requested that Bike Week be added as an agenda item during the May meeting. Ben asked the group if they were familiar with Bike Week which is a yearly week-long international event typically taking place the second week of May or June. Typically Bike Week will include a number of events including Bike to Work Day and Organized rides. Ben asked what the Task Force envisions for a City of Longmont Bike Week and when it should occur? Would the 4th week in June make sense to coincide with Bike to Work Day? Phil noted that the 4th week in June is typically regarded as Bike Week in Colorado. Phil recommended that for 2019 staff make a proclamation for City Council to approve that June will be bike month. Devin recommended we hold one event per week during the month including historic tours by bicycle as well as bicycle classes. Devin also recommended that the City of Longmont create something similar to Boulder's B360 trail. Ben noted that the City of Longmont has something similar called the Longmont Loop. The Longmont Loops is currently reflected on the City of Longmont Bike Map.
6. Loco About Cycling Newsletter: Ben provided an overview of this new city newsletter focusing solely on cycling news in the City of Longmont. The Public Works and Natural Resources Department will be managing production of the monthly newsletter. Content for each month's newsletter will be due the first Monday of the Month and will include a link to Service Works with each edition (see <https://www.serviceworks.longmontcolorado.gov>). Service Works will allow individuals to create an electronic work request for things like pothole repair or debris cleanup. Ben encouraged the Task Force members to send him photos with captions and other content to be included in the newsletter that he will forward to the producers of the newsletter.
7. City Lab Article "Don't Say 'Cyclists' say 'People on Bikes': Ben asked if everyone had the opportunity to read the article and noted that we have created a tribal mentality for people that use the transportation system and have created an us versus them attitude. By changing the language we use to refer to transportation users we can change the mentality from an "us versus them" mentality

to "it's all us." Ben asked the Task Force if it was worth the effort to change the language we use to describe transportation users. If so, how do we go about doing it? The Task Force agreed that we should implement the language recommended in the article. Devin recommended that when we visit City Council we should use the recommended language highlighted in the article. Phil suggested that we could use this language when we write Transportation Advisory Board Communications and City Council Communications.

8. Parking Lot:

- Nick had several questions about pedestrian actuated signals and why priority isn't given to pedestrians (people walking). He highlighted several intersections that seem to be problematic including Longs Peak and Coffman, Pike and Hover, and 3rd Avenue to Longs Peak along Main Street. It was suggested that at 4th Avenue and Coffman Street a line with a Bicycle symbol be added at the correct location over the in-the-ground loop which would show where a bicyclist (person riding a bicycle) would need to stop their bicycle to activate the signal.
- What would it take to implement SB144 in Longmont? Phil asked whether the Task Force should research this or City Staff. Devin felt that City Staff should take the lead on this research project.
- The Task Force asked City Staff to research recent changes in E Bike legislation in the State of Colorado legislation.

9. The meeting was adjourned at approximately 8:01.