



## CITY OF TACOMA BIKE AND PEDESTRIAN ADVISORY GROUP MEETING MINUTES

**DATE:** March 10, 2014

**GROUP MEMBERS**

**PRESENT:** Justin Camarata, Dave Cook, Janet Higbee, Anne James, Aaron Knight, Paul Nordquist, Kendal Reid, Brandi Riddle, Kris Symer

**OTHERS PRESENT:** Hannah Miner, Diane Wiatr

▪ **Meeting called to order at 5:35 PM**

▪ **Human Continuum Exercise**

Group members began the retreat by speaking about how long they have been involved in this work and why it is important to them, lining up in a human continuum based on the amount of time they have invested.

▪ **Discussion of Values—All**

Group members began by brainstorming three values they held personally. Hannah then posted Overarching Values, borrowed from the Puyallup Watershed Initiatives Active Transportation Community of Interest and members grouped personal values under the overarching values.

Group Values (yellow sticky notes)

- Equal Access
- Equity
- Accessibility for All
- Safety
- Community
- Recreation
- Utilitarian exercise
- Clean Environment
- Sustainable Growth
- Healthy and natural lifestyle
- Air Quality
- Green Transport
- Consistency
- Safe Streets
- Moving Body
- One less layer between you and your fellow citizens
- Pride of place
- Civic duty
- Walkability
- Choices
- Reality
- Density
- Experiencing the weather

## Overarching Values (green)

- Social Equity
- Quality of Life
- Environmental Sustainability
- Physical and Mental Health
- Environmental Sustainability
- Community Vitality
- Economic Vitality

### ▪ **Vision for Tacoma—All**

Group members then began discussing the answer to the question: “What are people saying about Tacoma when we have reached our Active Transportation ideal?”

- Accessibility (1)
  - Safety
  - Supports all needs and desires
- Topography
- Bikeways/Cycletracks
  - Separate pathways for bikes exclusive of cars
- Tangible Outcomes (2)
- Density
  - Car is inconvenient
- Mode Choices (3)
  - Pedestrian, bicycle, and transit access
- Take advantage of opportunities
  - The U.S. Open is an example of an opportunity to change the infrastructure in the area around the event
- Small dense communities with distinct character (5)
- Education (5)
  - Increased understanding of bike/ped rights
  - Advocacy
  - Driver’s training/emphasis on youth who are transitioning to drivers and making life-long habits
  - Connect with Neighborhood Councils to gather information from them and distribute messages
- Linked neighborhoods/Connectivity (3)
- Funky Bike Culture
- Tacoma is a Great City