

SOMERVILLE BICYCLE COMMITTEE

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MEETING MINUTES Meeting held January 28, 2003

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AGENDA City Report, Friends of the Community Path, New members, Year –end summary
Subcommittees, Affiliate projects, Bicycle Guidelines, Announcements

ATTENDEES Turil Cronburg Ron Newman Greg Palmer
Bhupesh Patel Domenic Siraco Jenifer Kaminsky - Guest

COMMITTEE MEMBERS

Vice-Chair Turil Cronburg
Jim Gallagher
Ron Newman
Chairperson Greg Palmer
Secretary Bhupesh Patel
Andy Rubel
Domenic Siraco

1. **Minutes approved** – for December 17th meeting. Next meeting is Feb 24th @ City Hall 6:30pm on the 3rd floor.
 - Tentative dates for upcoming meetings are March 24th and April 28th.
2. **City Report** - Bhupesh Patel
 - "Request for proposal" initial meeting for the Community Bicycle Path extension from Cedar Street to Central Street was held with a good showing of interested firms.
 - Icon architecture made a presentation for possible development of the Innerbelt area. Proposal included capitalizing on the location of the Community Path by incorporating an urban boulevard.
 - The study for Mc Garth highway by the Central Planning Transportation Staff will begin next month. Bhupesh as a citizen and Jim Gallagher representing MAPC are on the committee along with parties from Somerville, Cambridge, MDC, Mass Highway, Mystic Task Force, and Sturtevant Partnership.
 - Though CVS has already received city approval, Bhupesh met with the developer concerning bike parking. Ten parking racks for twenty bicycles were proposed by Bhupesh via a scaled plan. All agreed. The resolution will be submitted to developer and Bhupesh will follow up.
3. **Potential New Members** – Jennifer Kaminsky, and ??
 - ?? is a PHD candidate in the Life Sciences and moved to Somerville from Cambridge.
 - Jennifer Kaminsky has met with Greg, Turil, and Bhupesh prior to meeting. She is a masters student at MIT pursuing a degree in Urban Planning.
4. **Year- end summary** - to be continued to next meeting
5. **Routes subcommittee** – Bhupesh
 - Bhupesh presented a preliminary map of the "Safe Routes to School"
6. **Bicycle Guidelines** – Turil, Tuck
 - Several sections of Text were approved with minor corrections.
 - Other Text sections need work and will be submitted for review at the next meeting.
7. **Public Relations** –Turil, Greg
 - They have discussed ideas for the coming year to increase visibility and to "get the word out"
8. **Infrastructure** – Greg, Ron, and Jim
 - List was drawn up of all projects.
 - Magoun Square streetscape.
 - Somerville Avenue reconstruction
 - Somerville avenue from Church street to Union Square
 - Beacon Street from City line to Somerville Avenue.
 - Union Square
 - Route 28 study
 - Temple street
 - Complete list was inventoried with Bill Lyons, Todd Blake, Bhupesh, Turil, and Tuck O'Brein present last fall. You can refer to outline of that meeting presented to the bike committee during Nov. 26 meeting. A copy of the roster of projects with the appropriate head public agency was handed out and then referred to in the "evolving guidelines" outline as point 5 and titled "A record with a timeline of prioritized infrastructure projects".
9. **Meeting adjourned at 9:05 pm.**