

TRANSPORTATION: PEDESTRIANS AND PASSENGERS COMMITTEE
REPORT

April 21, 2011

WPB Office – 1414 Ashland Ave.

Attendees: Joe Hall, Brent Norsman, Eleanor Mayer

- I. Bike Rack Donations – “WPB Rides”
 - a. Purchase and install of 20 supplemental racks with “WPB Rides” graphic coated in orange. Awaiting final approval of design from CDOT, Alderman has submitted letter of support for the design.
 - b. Install locations, to be determined by CDOT and WPB. Developing a list of locations for supplemental bike rack donation would be one of the isolated transportation projects for a summer intern to take on. (See motion below).

Motion: To fund \$1,500 from line 6.10 Public Transit Enhancements to hire interns to update the current WPB sidewalk inventory of unsafe sidewalks within SSA #33. Interns will add suitable bike rack locations and targeted Bus Tracker installation sites to the existing data, and coordinate further installation of both Bus Tracker signs and Bike Racks in WPB.

- II. On Street Bike Parking – Milwaukee/ flat iron
 - a. Status – Quote for on-street installation materials have been gathered to CDOT’s specifications, the installation date is targeted for mid-June. CDOT has a quote for installation costs, WPB is to cover these and CDOT will assume the on-going liability and storage of the installation once in place (on Milwaukee Ave just south of North Ave).

Motion: To fund \$4,000 from line 6.01Bike Advocacy to cover the cost of CDOT’s installation of Chicago’s first on-street bike parking in WPB.

- III. Milwaukee/ Wood Intersection
 - a. Status/ Action items—the design of the intersection still seems to be stuck in the procurement phase at CDOT. WPB is still committed (along with the Alderman’s office) to funding improvements at the M/W/W intersection. Action Item: re-confirm commitment with Alderman’s office, meeting to be set up soon.

- IV. Bus Tracker
 - a. Status/ updates/ New locations – Currently there are 5 extra Bus Tracker signs in the WPB basement, (that makes 13 total and 8 are deployed in the neighborhood). It would be a great intern project to 5 more out on the street. (See motion above for action item).

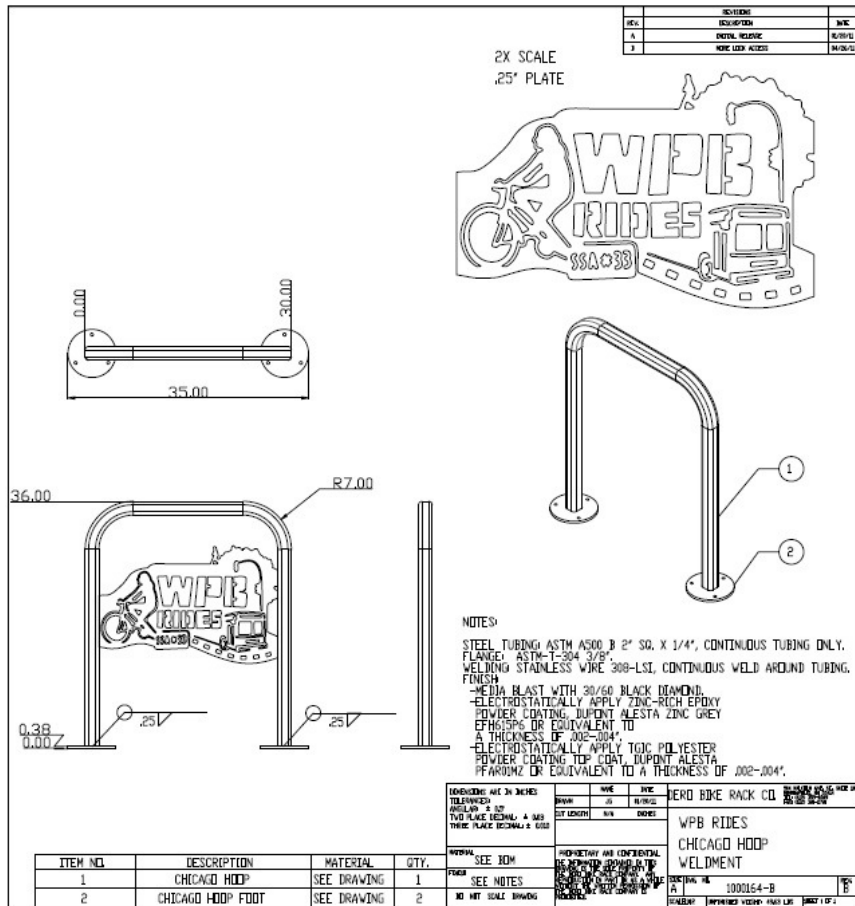
- V. Neighborhood “Car-free” day
 - a. Work with Promote WPB Committee on this.

VI. Polish Triangle Marketplace

- a. Work with Promote WPB Committee on this too. Right now, we have 7 interested vendors, and are targeting a weekday evening market to catch commuters at the CTA Division stop. Special Event permit to be filled out with the Mayor's Office of Special Events. BN to assist with layout drawing if necessary. Anticipated timeline: first marketplace event in late June.

VII. New Business

- a. Green Park Eco-Garage (VLF Development) wants to meet again to discuss their shuttle proposal for Milwaukee Avenue, this time with the 1st Ward Alderman. **Meeting is scheduled for May 13, 10am, at the First Ward office (2045 N Western).** The position of the committee on the project has not changed from the previous presentation (July 2010), it is not clear at this time if a new/different proposal has been submitted from Green Park.



Above: A sample 'WPB Rides' Downtown Bike Rack for CDOT Bike Rack Donation Program (April 2011).

