

**MINUTES
OF THE WORK SESSION OF THE
EDINA CITY COUNCIL
HELD AT CITY HALL
AUGUST 3, 2011
5:35 P.M.**

Mayor Hovland called the meeting to order at 5:35 p.m. in the Community Room of City Hall. Answering rollcall were Members Brindle, Sprague, Swenson and Mayor Hovland. Member Bennett entered the meeting at 5:40 p.m.

Bike Edina Task Force (BETF) Members attending were: Sally Dunn, Carl Gulbronsen, Alice Hulbert, Don Eyberg, Jennifer Janovy, Peter Kelley, Co-Chair, Larry Olson, and Brad Schaeppi, Co-Chair.

Staff attending the meeting included: Wayne Houle, City Engineer/Public Works Director; Debra Mangen, City Clerk; Karen Kurt, Assistant City Manager; Scott Neal, City Manager; Ceil Smith, Assistant to the City Manager; and Jack Sullivan Assistant City Engineer.

Mayor Hovland stated the purpose the meeting was to discuss various bicycle initiatives within the City of Edina.

Brad Schaeppi and Peter Kelley, Co-chairs made a presentation to the Council that included the following points: 1) Bicycle Friendly: Why It Matters; 2) Bike Edina Task Force's Mission and Vision; 3) Brief history of the BETF and accomplishments; 4) BETF Partners; 5) Outline of current projects; and 6) Future relationship between BETF and Edina Transportation Commission.

The Council and the BETF discussed the Transit for Livable Communities Bike Boulevard Grant and needed action to accomplish this infrastructure improvement using grant dollars. The Council briefly discussed the future of the BETF and consensus was to leave the group in its current form, unless the Edina Transportation Commission were to form subgroups, then BETF could be a subgroup.

Police Chief Jeff Long joined the meeting and briefly updated the BETF on complaints received about bicyclists riding in Edina. He suggested that education of the bicycling community would be helpful to ensure that Edina Police do not need to begin writing tickets to cyclists for not stopping at STOP signs and similar moving violations.

Mayor Hovland adjourned the meeting at 6:55 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Debra A. Mangen, City Clerk

Minutes approved by Edina City Council, August 16, 2011

James B. Hovland, Mayor