July 01, 2022 Committee Meeting Agenda

Committee Members Present:

Tony Pham, student (co-chair)
Anna Laura Harmjanz, student (co-chair)
Meghna Tare, Office of Sustainability
Bhargavi Jeyarajah, Office of Sustainability
Satu Birch, Office of International Education
Alexis Washington, Health Services
Amber Raley, student
Ragenna Price, Office of Facilities Management
Ann Foss, City of Arlington
Victoria Ceballos, Movin' Mavs
Morgan Chivers, Libraries

Agenda

- Welcome and Introductions
 - New members
- UTA BFU Report review
 - Brief review of the BFU report summary
 - What steps can the City of Arlington take for better on-off campus connectivity?
- City of Arlington's Hike and Bike Master Plan
 - o Infrastructure design, 848 Mitchell, etc.
- Updates from committee members
 - Morgan: Bike barn—green light for small scale pilot with 80 bikes from Facilities
 - and use Libraries infrastructure for checking bikes out. Location: Southeast of Mitchell/West (see image). Timeline: next few weeks—Need approval from Facilities with commitment to install more bike racks around Central Library, approval from Parking and Transportation (PATS) for office use; hire two students and train them to get bikes road-ready, hopefully get *rolling* by fall; bikes will be checked out as a library resource on a semesterly-basis at no cost, replacement fee if bike is damaged or students hold onto it; competitive for grants from Libraries and potential studies for impacts
 - Bike Barn: modeled after <u>UC Davis' bike shop</u>
 equipped with tools and maintenance; peer-to-peer learning; cultural phenomenon to push bike culture to campus

 Bhargavi: Bike-Friendly Community Workshop application submitted, no updates from League of American Bicyclists; aiming for a workshop early this semester and invite community leaders and government staff

Bike grants:

Bhargavi: Community Spark Grants: League of American Bicyclists. Deadline
 July 15

https://bicyclefriendly.secure-platform.com/a/page/spark

\$1,500 for bike-related initiatives. 10 grants available, 5 to "GM cities" (including Arlington). Potential ideas: 75 bike u-locks

- Dr. Foss: Available grants from DOT/other departments that UTA/City of Arlington (COA) can apply:
 - **Bipartisan Infrastructure Law** provides for competitive grants, COA proactive in reviewing grant opportunities; UTA will be a good partner and connect; Congress approved for 5 year funding
 - Safe Streets and Roads for All to develop a safety action plan and implementation plan; COA does not have any plans, but Council of Governments (COG) is working on checking the box this summer which will qualify for funding. Limit: each agency can only apply for 1 grant at a time; state cap of 15% of total funding
 - Reconnecting Community pilot project: removing transpo barrier (eg. removing interstates and converting to boulevards or deck parks, etc.); needs to be "shovel-ready" before grant can be awarded; dealing with Cooper/FM157 will require TxDOT to be the lead; possibly applying to pedestrian connection over railway in Downtown as well;

https://content.govdelivery.com/accounts/USDOT/bulletins/31e8edd

- Office of Sustainability UTA Eco-Map: currently work in progress by Bhargavi
- Announcement:
 - Morgan: working Universal Design/Theatre Arts class this upcoming semester looking at on-campus faster-than-foot infrastructure

To Do List

List names of committee members and their tasks before the next monthly meeting/deadlines

Anna Laura
Send the study to Ann Foss
Send to Victoria Ceballos
Morgan
☐ Work on Community Spark Grant Application with Bhargavi Due July 15
☐ Logistics for Bike Barn planning
Bhargavi
☐ Check on status of workshop application
☐ Get access for Ann Foss for Spark grant document
☐ Work on Community Spark Grant Application with Morgan Due July 15

Foss

☐ Follow up with us on contacts for Fort Worth office