

**Yakima Bike and Walks - Minutes**  
**Tuesday, March 24, 2015, 6:30 pm**  
**Sub Shop of Yakima, 20 N. Second Street, Yakima**

1. **Bike Racks:**

- The city will soon be installing ~10 bike racks downtown.
  - Update: The City of Yakima and Ed Patton have started installing the first of 7 bike racks around the City. They look like bicycles!
- A crew is needed to grind and drill the Tour de Farce racks prior to rack-installation-day (in conjunction with bike-to-work day/month, May?). DECISION: Work party will occur 4/9, 12:30-7 PM. Supporters will be invited.
  - Update: The Yakima Maker Space (YMS) bike racks have holes drilled and corners dulled, thanks to some vigilant volunteers! Getting closer to installment. They need to propose 4 prominent, well-used spaces to put these artistic bike racks.
- YMS is also looking for donations of bicycle tools to go along with their bicycle repair stand.

2. **Bicycle Master Plan:**

- The City of Yakima is getting this plan underway. PhilM reported on the Kick-off/Organizational meeting held with the consultant (Toole Design Group) on Feb. 25.
- One of the first steps is to assemble a Technical Advisory Committee (TAC) of bicyclists. The TAC will be comprised of a 7 to 11 people, and they are looking for a broad representation of the bicycling community. This means they want commuters, long-distance, Lycra-wearing racing cyclists, recreational cyclists, parents who ride bikes to keep up with their children, mountain bikers, men, women, ages, races, etc. They will consider scheduling meetings outside of the 9-5 workday. If you want to be on the committee, or if you know someone who would be good on the committee, please let Joan Davenport at the City of Yakima know ([joan.davenport@yakimawa.gov](mailto:joan.davenport@yakimawa.gov)). They will also be looking for volunteers to assist with public meetings, and stay tuned for a survey to be posted on the City of Yakima website. There will be other opportunities to submit comments and be involved with the plan as it progresses. We will let you know!
- City's Built Environment Committee will meet with the BMP's consultant (Toole Design Group) on April 16.

3. **WA Bike Summit/Transportation Advocacy Day (in Olympia, March 16-17):** Rebecca and Phil reported on the conference and their meetings with Rep. Gina McCabe, Rep. Norm Johnson, and Sen. Curtis King.

4. **Fair Ave—Boise-Cascade Mill Site Parkway:** Joan described the design. The leg north of the roundabout will have Wide Curb Lanes (WCLs) and a pathway.

5. **Feet in the Street!** A downtown street festival on Sunday, May 17, 11:00-3:00, put on by the Complete Streets Working Group.

- We want to include a Tour de Farce ride with the festival, and we are looking for a couple of intrepid souls to take the lead on it. Nate Poel and Rebecca Brown can meet with the leads and provide some guidance and clarify what would be required. Generally, the Tour de Farce could look a lot like a mid-day Bike Party. Shoot Yakima Bikes and Walks an email if you want to work on the Tour de Farce or on any other aspect of Feet in the Street!
- YVCOG is thinking about rolling Bike to Work day into the event as well.

6. **Voices for our Streets:** Public gathering Thursday, May 21, 6:00-9:00 pm, Yakima Convention Center.

- The official kick off for the Bike Master Plan, plus excellent "complete street" speakers and a chance to interact with City, County, and YVCOG officials regarding their planning for biking, walking, and transit.

7. **YVCOG and YHD:** Yakima Valley Conference of Governments and the Yakima Health District will receive an award April 2 from Feet First at the Walkable Washington Symposium for their work with the Complete Streets Working Group.