

REPORT OF THE BICYCLE & PEDESTRIAN STREET SAFETY COMMISSION

July 9, 2020 – 3:00 PM
Zoom Conference Call Meeting

PRESENT: Chair Roark, Commissioner Fehrenbach, Commissioner O'Meara, Commissioner Lane-Browne, Commissioner Finn

ALSO PRESENT: Director Kernosky, Associate Planner/Zoning Administrator Kuhn, Director Beduhn, Alderperson Jennings, and unidentified audience members via Virtual Zoom Meeting.

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1. Roll call.
2. Persons who wish to address the committee for up to three (3) minutes on a non-agenda item.

Discussion and possible action on the following:

3. Report of the February 13, 2020 meeting.
 4. Discussion on the sidewalk continuation project.
 5. Projects for UW-Madison Capstone Community Design & Planning Services Application Staff Update.
 6. Application for the Bike Friendly Community Silver Status.
 7. Update on assessing bicycle parking, seating, and ADA compliance inventory for high-demand transit stops.
 8. Update on the 2021 street reconstruction project and scheduling a walking/rolling audit.
 9. TAP Grant update.
 10. Business 51 and stakeholders group updates.
 11. Adjourn.
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1. Roll call.

Present: Roark, Fehrenbach, O'Meara, Lane-Browne, Finn

Excused: Ald. Leek

2. Persons who wish to address the committee for up to three (3) minutes on a non-agenda item.
 1. Commissioner Fehrenbach discussed wanting to reexamine the connectivity of portions of the Green Circle Trail.
 2. Chair Roark discussed a resident complaint he received regarding not being granted service into a restaurant drive-thru while riding on a bicycle.
 3. Chair Roark discussed barriers being placed along sidewalks that poses a barrier to pedestrians and bicyclists

Discussion and possible action on the following:

3. Report of the February 13, 2020 meeting of the Plan Commission.

Motion by Commissioner Fehrenbach to approve the report of the February 13, 2020 Bicycle and Pedestrian Street Safety Commission meeting; seconded by Commissioner O'Meara with the following:

1. **Page 4, Item 4: Review of the TAP Alternative [Program] Grant**
2. **Page 4, Item 4: Inquiry on why parking protected bike lanes are utilized**

Motion carried 5-0.

4. Discussion on the sidewalk continuation project.

Director Beduhn presented a sidewalk priority model and discussed areas of the City that have a greater and lesser need for sidewalk continuation. Director Beduhn stressed that while the prioritization model does not discuss when sidewalks will be extended, but provides a resource to staff to determine the level of importance and priority for where future sidewalks should be constructed first.

5. Projects for UW-Madison Capstone Community Design & Planning Services Application.

Associate Planner Kuhn gave an overview of the UW-Madison capstone project application process. He discussed the tentative project topic focusing on improving connectivity along the riverfront directly west of the downtown. Associate Planner Kuhn then asked commissioners for other project ideas that could be included within an application, upon which different project ideas were discussed.

Staff Update

6. Application for the Bike Friendly Community Silver Status.

Associate Planner Kuhn discussed why the City is applying for silver status, an overview of the application itself, and stated that staff is hoping to submit the application shortly before the August 12th deadline.

7. Update on assessing bicycle parking, seating, and ADA compliance inventory for high-demand traffic stops.

Associate Planner Kuhn discussed that due to recent turnover in the Associate Planner/Zoning Administrator position, staff have not progresses in assessing bicycle parking, seating, and ADA compliance inventory. He stated that it is staff's intentions to start this process in subsequent months.

8. Update on the 2021 street reconstruction project and scheduling a walking/rolling audit.

Director Beduhn provided an update on street locations for the 2021 street reconstruction project, with the intention of staff finalizing a date for the walking/rolling audit in the following days.

9. TAP Grant Update.

Director Beduhn gave an overview on TAP Grant projects when the next grant application window will begin.

10. Business 51 and stakeholders group updates.

Director Beduhn gave an update on when future Business 51 stakeholders group meetings will occur.

11. Adjourn.

Meeting adjourned at 4:03 PM.

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