

Pedestrian Advisory Committee

January 27, 2022 3:00 p.m.

Webex

Introductions: Greg Boris, Chrissy Meyer, Koni Simms, Shelby Jepperson, Jedidiah Reimnitz, Wes Phillips, Sam Trebilcock, Jeff Schmitt

Topics:

Old business:

Pedestrian Plan – Five Very High Priority Policies:

- *Increase the City's budget that is dedicated to maintenance and improvement of crosswalks and sidewalks.*
 - Wes – budget overview. ADA categories, and repair categories. New employee for sidewalk complaint program.
- *Utilize curb extension, median, and pedestrian refuge islands more frequently to help limit the crossing distance for pedestrians. EDS 16.3.4.*
 - New vs. retrofit areas...
- *All streets should have sidewalks to allow pedestrians to travel between neighborhoods, access destinations, and access transit stops. Sidewalks are expected on both sides of an arterial urban section street.*
 - Implement, survey, repair
- *Submit a complete streets checklist for each roadway project for City staff review and comment.*
 - Tracking them; reports, exemptions or opportunities to improve
- *Educate motorists that pedestrians have the right-of-way in many traffic situations, and always have the right to be treated with caution and respect.*
 - Citizens exploring this; need to change culture

New business:

Stakeholders outreach - Spring, how, where, ???

Yes, we should do outreach on the plan.

Spring, maybe summer...

Libraries – geographically spaced, open to the public, accessible, meeting spaces available. Do an event at each.

Make Plan available. It is dense. So similar to other outreach – document available; but, boards with high points; sticky notes; public comments; open house; engagement; on line access...

Try at Levitt or other key community events – to get people where they are at
Present at associations or centers – AARP, Active Generations, disability association(s)

Active Transportation Committee / Walking College – **committee coordination**

Chrissy Meyer completed Walking College and there is a suggestion that we coordinate three committees – Pedestrian Advisory Committee, Bicycle Committee, and PATH into one Active Transportation Committee.

Pros and Cons – This has been discussed over the last 3 years; PATH is a Mayor appointed board, and official. Others are advisory, and would need to lower to more official status; or board would need to lower to a lesser degree.

Funding or resources that are associated with recommendations or guidance coming from committees.

Maybe one committee – and three subsets.

Make all three aware of each other – plans, reports, action items, guidance...

Maybe not combining, but coexisting.

Maintenance / Repair

Ped / Bicycle Improvements

Next Meeting: Thursday, February 24, 2022

Road project updates – Wes Phillips & Sam Trebilcock