

TRANSPORTATION COMMITTEE

REGULAR MEETING IN-PERSON OR VIRTUAL MEETING

TUESDAY August 16th, 2022 AT 3:00PM

COMMISSION MEETING – TO BE HELD AT CITY OF PEORIA PUBLIC WORKS FACILITY CONFERENCE ROOM, 3505 N. DRIES LN, PEORIA, IL 61604. 309-494-8800

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TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION AGENDAS AND MINUTES ISSUED BY: PATRICK MCNAMARA CHAIRMAN

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IN-PERSON OR VIRTUAL MEETING AGENDA

ATTENDANCE

ANNOUNCEMENTS, ETC.

MINUTES

REQUEST FOR APPROVAL OF THE TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION JULY 19, 2022 MINUTES

AGENDA ITEMS

- ITEM NO. 1 CIP Discussion
- **ITEM NO. 2** Discuss Public Education around promoting mass transit, bicycle use and walking
- **ITEM NO. 3** Discuss meeting schedule and determine if bylaws/ordinance need revised due to a change on the schedule

UNFINISHED BUSINESS None

NEW BUSINESS None

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NEXT MEETING TUESDAY SEPTEMBER 20, 2022 3:00PM

ADJOURNMENT

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Minutes for July 19, 2022 Meeting

ATTENDANCE

Call to Order: Call to order showed the following Transportation Committee Members in attendance:

Members Present: Brent Baker, Jada Hoerr, Jeremy Coers, Jason Snyder, Brandon Lott, Michael

Breitbach, Patrick McNamara - 7

Members Absent: Colin Coad, Bernie Goitein, Jarod Fox, George Ghareeb - 4

ANNOUNCEMENTS, ETC. None

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AGENDA ITEMS

ITEM NO. 1 Review and Discuss Wisconsin Ave Walk Audit Report – Attachment

Staff Member Loos stated a walk audit was held on Wisconsin Ave in May. Members of Committee and neighborhood were invited. Working on project on Wisconsin Ave from Forrest Hill to McClure and a future project from McClure to Nebraska. The goal was to get input from the neighborhood for the project. There was a discussion in 2015 about maintaining on street parking for the condominiums that are located in front of Kroger; may be revisited soon. Issues include speeding, lack of lighting at intersections and no lighting from N McClure to Forrest Hill. It was noted that the right of way is tight. Ms. Loos cautioned that sidewalks are needed as school children have been noted walking on the streets.

Committee Member Baker noted the citizens had useful input on how the area could be best used. It was noted that the infrastructure did not allow certain activities such as biking and walking, and recommended advocacy and demonstration to clarify that people are not using the facilities due to the uncomfortable state that the area is in currently.

Committee Member Breitbach asked if there was another project where a path was added that the neighborhood did not want it. Ms. Loos stated that one example is Harvard Ave. The neighborhood did not want a path during design, but now the path is used a lot. There is a balancing act with providing the facilities verses the property impacts. In this case, most of the improvements will be within existing right-of-way, but the improvements will be closer to the houses.

Ms. Loos emphasized the importance of understanding the best use for the area and mentioned the proposal of a multiuse path. It was discussed that the priority is to allow room for school children to walk somewhere other than the street.

Committee Member Baker noted that there are multiple additions to be made, and that residents need to be made aware of what options are available.

ITEM NO. 2 Review and discuss the Complete Streets Manual- attachment

Committee Member McNamara overviewed the Complete Streets Manual, and emphasized its outline on existing conditions, design intent, and different planning stages/requirements.

The attached statistics on complete street elements were discussed.

Committee Member McNamara asked for someone from the forestry department to attend a future meeting to talk to him about the Complete Street goal for ROW Tree Plantings.

ITEM NO. 3 Review Compete Street data and discuss goals- attachment

Ms. Loos gave a brief overview of how the Manual was developed.

Committee Member Lott asked to clarify if the Complete Streets Manual is for all streets or specific projects. Ms. Loos noted the goal is for all streets to be Complete Streets, and to use the manual as a guideline for projects.

Committee Member Breitbach asked how the Complete Streets Manual will be practically used and where it would be available. Ms. Loos noted it will be put on the website and the goal is for engineers to use the manual for guidance on new projects in the future.

Committee Member Coers noted concern for how strict the guideline requirements are in the manual and emphasized the importance of flexibility for creativity and adjustments based on specific project options.

Committee Member McNamara noted that the Complete Streets Manual should be easily accessible on the website. He also noted that the Infrastructure Design Manual is still Draft on the website. This committee should help get that officially approved. Ms. Loos stated that staff will circle back to verify if the Infrastructure Manual was previously approved at Council.

ITEM NO. 4 Project update

Ms. Loos gave an update on current projects:

- Glen Ave from Sheridan to Knoxville is moving and under construction. They have removed stage one pavement and materials are coming quicker than they anticipated.
- Glen Ave between University and War Memorial Dr. has been awarded.
- Orange Prairie Road is getting a new overlay before being reconstructed sometime in the future. Construction has not begun, but it is anticipated to be done this year.
- Pioneer Parkway overlays are complete. It was noted that there is a design project for the University intersection to reconstruct in 2024 with federal funds through Tri-County. The city applied for a Raise Grant for the existing section on Pioneer Parkway from Alan Rd. to Knoxville. A Mega Grant was also applied to for the entire extension and all of existing.

- Prospect is receiving overlay from Knoxville to Belmont and will begin within the next month.
- Design is underway for Gale Ave to receive overlay from University to Sheridan next year.
- A design is complete for Allen Rd. to receive overlay in 2024.
- A signal will be removed at McClure and North as it does not meet requirements. That intersection will become a four-way stop.
- A public meeting will be held tomorrow to discuss Wisconsin Ave.
- A public meeting was held on July 6th to discuss the Adams and Jefferson two-way conversion.
 People showed concern for more traffic in that area. Waiting on project report before moving on to final design.
- There is an RFQ out for the next extension of the Rock Island trail from Park to Spring. The city manager has been working with an attorney construct the trial.
- The Rock Island Greenway project received fencing for the bridge so that it can officially open soon.
- Depot street is in preliminary design to provide a new roadway and parking for the future condominiums.
- CSO year 1 in the North Valley is under construction, and CSO year 2 will be on the Southside and is currently in design.
- There was a public meeting for Deerbrook on July 21st.
- Downtown Wayfinding is underway with a pilot project that is being completed.
- Prospect and Arcadia has an existing crossing that goes into Glen Oak Park with a bus stop. The plan is to use transit funds to install a bump out and a median to make it a safer crossing.
- We applied to funding through Tri-County for the Northmoor and University intersection.
- The county received money for Lake St. from Sheridan to Knoxville and Gale from Forrest Hill to Sterling. It will use capital funding and Lake St. will be taken care of first as it is in the worst condition. Anticipated to begin construction next year.
- Western work continues and is on track to finish this year.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

IDOT projects were discussed.

NEW BUSINESS

Committee Member Hoerr asked about payment alternatives for the sidewalk improvement plan.

Commission Member Loos discussed that the project was let go as it was difficult to manage and was not feasible financially.

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NEXT MEETING Tuesday, AUGUST 16, 2022

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further discussion, Committee Member Breitbach moved to adjourn the meeting. Committee Member Breitbach motioned to adjourn; Committee Member Lott seconded. Meeting adjourned.

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