

# Bicycle & Pedestrian Advisory Committee Meeting Summary: April 28, 2020

1. CALL TO ORDER: (4:03 p.m. via Zoom Meeting)

#### 2. ROLL CALL:

Members Present: Barkalow, Billings, Brandt, Neilly, Prouty, Scott, Staashelm, Thayer Guests: Craig Rairdin

#### 3. MINUTES:

a. Bicycle and Pedestrian Advisory Committee – February 25, 2020 Motion by Neilly, seconded by Scott, to approve the minutes. All 'Ayes', minutes approved.

## 4. 5<sup>TH</sup> AVENUE / GRANT WOOD TRAIL CONNECTION

The Committee agreed that there is no clear path to the Grant Wood Trail from  $5^{th}$  Avenue. The ideal path would have been up the  $29^{th}$  Street right-of-way, but because of topography issues, the trail was constructed with a retaining wall. Another route that was discussed is using the right-of-way / City property up the  $27^{th}$  Street alignment. This area is relatively flat, but a business is parking on the City property (has been since before 2000 imagery). Sidewalk connections on the north side of  $5^{th}$  Avenue are spotty which is a concern as well. Staashelm noted that a temporary limestone connection could be installed by the parks department until a permanent road ( $27^{th}$  Street) connection could be made to the roundabout / Grant Wood Trail.

#### 5. 10<sup>TH</sup> AVENUE SIDEPATH CONNECTION TO 31<sup>ST</sup> STREET

Billings displayed an aerial image of the south side of 10<sup>th</sup> Avenue, between Kum & Go and 31<sup>st</sup> Street. She noted that the area between the Kum & Go gas pumps and the access drive to the west is an outlot and sidepath could be installed with a resolution of necessity from the City Council. The section of right-of-way in front of Gilcrest Jewett has not been formally platted. Sidepath could be installed by redevelopment, assessment, or a City funded project. Billings noted that she would note this as a trail project to include with the next amendment to the Master Trails Plan and would work to get this as a project identified in the City's Capital Improvement Plan (CIP).

#### 6. BIKE TO WORK WEEK DISCUSSION

Billings informed the Committee that the League of American Cyclists has moved the 2020 Bike to Work Week to September, the week leading up to the Swamp Fox Festival. The CMPO ride that typically precedes Bike to Work Week has also been postponed this year with more details to come. The Ride of Silence will still be held on May 20th, but no formal rides are being organized, rather a recommendation to ride in your neighborhood with members of your household.

#### 7. 2020 HOTEL / MOTEL APPLICATION DISCUSSION

Billings discussed ideas that had previously been brought to her attention and asked the Committee if they had any other Hotel/Motel Application ideas.

<u>Idea</u>	<u>Notes</u>
	Most applicable in Uptown
Rain Paint on Trail (appears only in rain)	Lasts Years -> Looks bleached
Bike Light/Blender	
Glow Stones	
Temporary Trail Art	Need ideas over a year, too soon to apply
Landscaping	Incorporate with Benches project?
Benches and trash receptacles along trail	Parks already have set design?
Decorative Lighting	
Electric Bike Rental (Tricycles for Seniors)	
Historical Signs on Trails	CMPO may already be coordinating

The Committee discussed the potential ideas and decided that a fun one would be to hire an artist to pain false shadows on the sidewalks in Uptown. Billings noted that she would contact some local artists to get a cost estimate for labor and materials to complete 10-15 paintings/areas and present to the Committee at the next meeting.

#### 8. TRAIL UPDATE:

Billings provided design and letting updates for all the trail projects. She noted that HDR has been hired by the City to complete the design for the  $10^{th}$  Avenue Sidepaths. That design work will begin in June most likely.

Mr. Rairdin commented that on his walk through Thomas and Legion Parks he noted the newly installed signs denote trail connections that are not made yet. Billings noted she would contact the CMPO to discuss a method of covering those routes till they are constructed in the next few years.

## 9. OTHER BUSINESS:

Prouty asked if the bike licensing requirement could be placed on the agenda for discussion. Billings noted that she would put it on the next agenda.

### 10. ADJOURN:

With no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 5:24 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Terri Thayer, Secretary