

Pedestrian Bicycle Advisory Committee

Minutes from April 11, 2017

Health Dept. Building – 3131 O Street

Members Present: Gary Bentrup, Parks Coble, Rick Dockhorn, Barb Fraser, Elaine Hammer, Delrae Hirshman, Jordan Messerer, Dalyce Ronnau, Luke Pitts, Roy Rivera, Michael Wylie.

Staff Present: J.J. Yost, Sara Hartzell, Mike Heyl, Lynn Johnson, Kellee Van Bruggen, Paul Zillig, Mark Lutjeharms, Michele Jordan.

The meeting was called to order at 7:02 a.m., followed by announcement recognizing regulations of the Open Meetings Act as posted by the door.

Minutes: Approval of March 14, 2017 minutes: Approval moved by Ronnau and seconded by Fraser, unanimous approval

Staff Reports: Hartzell reported Public Works, Tim Zach, working with contractor, Hawkins, waiting to hear when concrete will be cleared out and replaced at Penny Bridges. Watershed Management is also working on a project at south of bridge at 80%. Construction late summer or early fall. Run pipe west side of trail, which will move water underneath trail. Little tree removal. Trying to coordinate construction to occur at the same time as under Penny Bridges.

Hartzell attended meeting with Public Works and consultants regarding 14th & Old Cheney area. Discussed many options regarding reroutes Old Cheney/Rock Island crossing. Gave all ideas to consultant. Consultants will review and give us Pros and Cons to all ideas given. Thorough discussion with a lot of options.

Hartzell discussed questions raised by Larson Rodenburg regarding training for police department. Police office has done some training on new bicycle ordinances. Training brochures are provided to police Sergeants. Capt. Stille will come to May meeting to update group on training procedures. Planning will be updated videos on Bike Lincoln page, other videos are planned.

Closure at Salt Creek Levy Trail at 10th street (north of Military Road) for extended period of time. Bridge is being replace. Trail under bridge will be closed for approximately 14 months. Supplying detours via signs and on website. Hartzell reviewed and is happy with signage. Roger Hirsch and other appropriate people have been informed.

No word regarding Murdock Trail. Members are offering to call Fortenberry to get an update regarding getting land and conversation funds for resurfacing or Murdock Trail. Applied last September or October.

2 trail projects are out for bid. Final Boosalis asphalt piece on west end to be replaced with 10' concrete. Billy Wolff on north side of Holmes Lake along with little piece between Normal and Van Dorn on 70th St.

Old Business:

Discussion of Urbanizing Trails: Subcommittee met to discuss on the 31st. Discussion about expense of taking over trails, getting new trail segments paid, changes to trail configurations for safety. Paul Zillig from the Lower Platte South NRD shared some graphics and what his board and subcommittee have been discussing. Corridor will be changing as development occurs. Zillig reviewed the discussion thus far and the purpose of the draft agreement. He

will be taking the agreement to subcommittee this week and his board the following week. A few questions about the general language and short discussion of the existing horse trailhead. Considering moving the trailhead out to Walton or somewhere in that vicinity. Operation budget will take into account operating costs. Any necessary upgrades would be included in the 10 year plan. Improvements to new development areas could be covered with impact, including upgrades to concrete. Looking for advice and guidance from PBAC. Motion made by Ronnau and seconded by Parks to endorse the agreement between the City and NRD, approved unanimously.

CIP Subcommittee: Met on March 31 to discuss general funding plans, current CIP and 10 year planning, and discussed potential projects. PBAC was requested to supply any guidance on areas where major maintenance and possible widening projects might be needed. Subcommittee will be meeting again on April 26 to discuss potential projects in the north half of the City. There was a comment that some feel a bridge at Old Cheney on the Rock Island would alleviate the need for the connection at Densmore Park. The general feeling was that a connection at Densmore would still be needed. PWU will continue to look at the possibility of a grade separated crossing of Old Cheney.

Bike Parking Standards: Planning did a study some years ago on the need for bike parking and the possibility of instituting standards, but this stalled out. Are including these concepts in the new update of the Ped Bike Capital Plan. Planning is beginning preparation of an RFP to include an analysis of on-street bike facilities and would like to include end use facilities. There are many ways that bike parking standards could be applied – requirements, incentives, or public responsibility. UNL has done some review of potential standards. There is a lot of guidance on bike parking available.

Trail Wayfinding Signs: Hartzell shared information about recent discussions on trail wayfinding signage. Lincoln Cares awarded \$4,000, and GPTN is matching that, so we have \$8,000 for the first set of these signs. Have selected 4 to 5 sites for these first kiosks. Will have to get some cost estimates before we know how many kiosks we would be able to purchase at this time. Kiosk would be similar to the four sided one at the Saltillo Road trailhead, but would be only two sided. Locations include Haymarket Park, 27th and Hwy 2, near 21st and N Street, and MoPac trailhead on 84th Street. Kiosks would include mapping, trail etiquette and distances to key facilities. MoPac crossing of Cottner and Vine would be a good place since it is hard to locate the trail. 48th where the Dietrich ends getting over to the Murdoch Trail. Other places might just have directional information on a sign post. Jayne Snyder Trail Center had not yet been located and should be considered now that it exists. Would also be useful to include a link or QR code to navigate to the wayfinding app. Would also like to include Bike Share locations

New Business: No new business

Adjourn 8:05