

**Pedestrian Bicycle Advisory Committee**  
Minutes from March 13, 2018  
Health Dept. Building – 3131 'O' Street, Suite 300

**Members Present:** Parks Coble, Rick Dockhorn, Barb Fraser, Mary Amen, Elaine Hammer, Delrae Hirschman, Jordan Messerer, Dalcyce Ronnau, Luke Pitts, Roy Rivera, Susan Larson-Rodenburg.

**Guests:** Chris St. Pierre, Brent Davis, Scott Spiecher

**Staff Present:** Jason Stille, J.J. Yost, Mark Lutjeharms, Sara Hartzell, Mike Heyl, Kellee Van Bruggen, Paul Zillig

**Call to Order:** Chair Jordan Messerer called the meeting to order at 7:01 a.m., followed by announcement recognizing regulations of the Open Meetings Act as posted on the wall and roll taken.

**Minutes:** Motion for approval by Parks Coble, seconded by Dalcyce Ronnau, unanimous approval.

**Staff Reports:** Sara Hartzell stated everything still in motion which was discussed in February's minutes. Wilderness Park is having some low water crossings which are in bad shape being worked on. Hartzell refers to the Wilderness/Yankee Hill horse bridge as the wooden bridge where Yankee Hill about intersects with the park is also being worked on.

"Run For the Bridges" was last weekend. Not sure the dollar amount raised. If there were enough dollars raised the horse bridge, referred to as Wilderness/Yankee Hill Horse Bridge will be worked on beginning this fall.

Hartzell was also out looking at the Wilderness South Bridge site. Marked areas that need a bit of work. Stated trails looked good. Did mark a few trees that need removed.

Reports on Murdock between 56<sup>th</sup> and Touzalin moving forward.

Penny bridges area is getting ready to go out for bid.

84<sup>th</sup> and Old Cheney under pass not moving quite as quickly. Working on right of way issues.

Trying to get date for Stonebridge Trail. Working to obtain temporary construction easements with adjacent residents and land owners. Hoping to get constructed before school starts but LPS is aware work may continue when school is in session.

Kellee Van Bruggen gave a report on BikeShare. All 19 stations have been installed. Launch date April 6<sup>th</sup>, 4:00-5:00 pm starting at the Foundation Gardens on 14<sup>th</sup> and N Street and ending at Rail. Information can be found at BikeLincoln.com. Should be totally live by the end of this month to beginning of next month. Kellee also stated the locations of the bike stations can be found on the City website under the icon "BCycle". There will be an app but not in place as of yet.

Strategic Plan of Wilderness Park is on Parks and Rec Website and will have major updates every two years. Ongoing.

**Old Business:** Mark Lutjeharms gave update regarding cross walk signals. Unable to do all signal changes due to signal timing, width of street and time needed to clear pedestrians. There was some discussion about particular intersections and Lutjeharms requested intersections which seem to have difficulty be forwarded to him to check out.

**New Business:** Stille gave a report on some of the bike theft incidents and investigations that are ongoing. Bikes are being stolen from all locales – front yards, side yards, bike racks, garages left open

overnight, etc...

Discussed some issues of safety and etiquette on trails and the need for an educational campaign. There are concerns about, for instance, people walking dogs on long leashes and allowing them to cross over the path of other travelers. Group decided to spend some time this coming month investigating some signage addressing various issues such as dogs on long leads, helmets, lights, basic trail etiquette. Send different ideas to Hartzell and she will pull them together into a report for review next month. There were some questions regarding the development planned at 98<sup>th</sup> and A and the impacts on the trail. PBAC members explained to the public the process that had been followed in negotiating with the developer. Although the changes are not what anyone would look for, it was felt that the fact that the developer approached the trail community early on was a positive and that change in the area was inevitable and it was important that when it comes the City works to make sure the trail concerns are addressed and interests are protected. There was also some brief discussion regarding trails at roundabouts. There are concerns about the design of the trail crossings and the ability of cyclists and peds to see oncoming traffic. Parks also has concerns about maintenance vehicles needing to negotiate turns in order to remove snow. Parks and Public Works will continue to work through design issues to try and address these concerns.

**Adjourn:** Meeting adjourned at 7:55 a.m.