

**Pedestrian Bicycle Advisory Committee**  
Minutes from August 11, 2020 – 7:00 a.m.  
Woods Park Place – 3131 'O' Street, Lower Level Training Center

**Members Present:** Barb Fraser, Clayton Streich, Dalyce Ronnau, Delrae Hirschman, Elaine Hammer, Gary Bentrup, Jordan Messerer (arrived at 7:03 am) Nate Lowry, Parks Coble (Via Zoom) Rick Dockhorn, Susan Larson Rodenburg

**Guests:** Jamie Granquist

**Staff Present:** Bobby Bartja, J.J. Yost, Kellee Van Bruggen, Lynn Johnson, Mark Lutjeharms, Sara Hartzell, Roy Rivera-Barcenas, Melissa Ramos-Lampli, Roberto Partida

**Call to Order:** Called the meeting to order at 7:00 a.m. and noted the meeting follows the Open Meetings Act, posted in the room. Minutes moved by Elaine, seconded by Delrae and approved unanimously.

**Staff Reports:** Sara shared that the Tierra Williamsburg work, erosion on the edge of the trail through Tierra and Williamsburg neighborhoods, that bid is supposed to close on August 12<sup>th</sup>, there are multiple locations, 5 or 6 where there are issues and all those locations were bid as separate pieces, paid for with StormWater Bond money from Watershed Management. If bids are too high, we can get the most important, threatening ones completed, if we do have to remove any. Give us some flexibility.

There is a new trailhead on the southwest corner of the Denton Prairie in the Village of Denton, it now has a driveway and parking lot. Signage will be installed with a donation from Assurity, this will be the Assurity Trailhead.

Regarding Sara's projects, wrapped up now, final seeding and waiting to close out the erosion control plan for the Wilderness South Bridge, it has withstood several floods already this year, built it to a 20 year storm elevation. Regarding the Jamaica North and Rock Island Bridge, one of the new spans has been set in place, there is a 160 ft. long span that goes across the railroad tracks from pier to pier, and two 50 ft. long spans on either end, the western 50ft span has been set in place. The old Train Wreck Bridge has the deck poured and has all of the inner railings. Almost complete with the west side retaining wall. Main span will get set on September 4<sup>th</sup>, this depends on the railroad, in order to do that they stop traffic on the tracks and have flagmen, we also have to bring in a crane. The last part of the project will be the concrete trail to connect into the existing Rock Island. A kiosk will be built as well as a meeting spot. Going through the process of naming it the Great Plains Trail Network Connector. Naming recognition was introduced to the Council on August 10<sup>th</sup> and going to public hearing a week after the meeting. The dedication would be the third weekend in October on a Sunday, October 18<sup>th</sup>?

Kellee: The virtual meeting is still available online as well as the survey for the Comp Plan 2050. Sara shared the information on how to navigate to the web page. Kellee will bring back to the group a new LRTP survey, focusing on the transportation options.

Sara: continue to work on the Wilderness Park User Experience Master Plan, currently have 11 folks that are helping with the plan, first meeting was last week. Putting materials together for the public

outreach. There will be a three week period with an interactive map and make comments by dropping a pin on the map. There will be discussion about multi use trails, signage and navigation, and possibly bring back all of this information to the PBAC in the fall. The plan is to come up with a map and list of projects and prioritize them. Mopac Trail from 84<sup>th</sup> to 98<sup>th</sup> St. is experiencing construction from both White Horse and Hillcrest Developments. Concrete will eventually be added up to 98<sup>th</sup> St. there should not be trail disturbance while this construction is happening.

Mark: there is a lot of construction going on at this moment, one success is the 70<sup>th</sup> St. and Murdock Trail crossing, a RRFB was placed at this crossing. Planning to launch the scooter program on September 1<sup>st</sup>. Working with the two operators to schedule an education event, for August 29<sup>th</sup>. The education event might be held along R St. on the West Haymarket along the Post Office and the Arena, barricading a block and a half on that street.

Jamie: Bike Share is going well, can tell that students are moving, increasing the trip time to one hour has been fantastic. The 5 E-Bikes are doing well, four times the trips than traditional bikes.

Sara: Jamie, Kellee and Mike Heyl and Sara have been working to set up a Lincoln page on the Love to Ride system, for the National Bike Challenge and a sub-challenge named "Cycle September Lincoln" It is an employee challenge and you get points the more rides employees undertake.

**Old Business:** N/A

**New Business:** Sara: Mark and Melissa were introduced and Mark introduced a new staff member for LTU, Roberto Partida, Roberto has been with LTU for one week, and he is a Transportation Planner with focus in Active Transportation, he will be working the Bike Share, Scooter Program, School Zone Standards, amongst others.

Mark and Melissa provided a presentation regarding the School Zone Standards – to view the presentation please visit: <https://lincoln.ne.gov/city/ltu/engine/traffic/school-zone-standards/>

Mark announce that a new Public Information Officer has been hired at LTU – Erika Hill

**Other:** Gary has been in contact with Prairie Pines regarding a trail that they are proposing from 112<sup>th</sup> St. where the Murdock ends and connect with Prairie Pines. Sara indicated that Parks worked with them last fall and will again this year if they apply for RTP grant funds, we did include a Letter of Support. At time of construction we will give them permission to connect. Also talking to Prairie Pines regarding the Comp Plan update looking at them as an environmental resource. Between 112<sup>th</sup> and Prairie Pines would consist of a half a mile trail. It will be nice to have a destination at the Murdock Trail. It will be a "Public Access Easement".

Nate: informed the Lincoln Bike Kitchen is holding two Give-Aways this month. Mechanic spots will be opening up to work out doors.

Sara: Julie Anderson with Safe Kids connected with LTU regarding Walk/Bike to School Day and they are very supportive and waiting on guidance from LPS to when to start planning for that.

Jamie: informed the group about the new single track coming in at Van Dorn Park. It will be a three and half mile loop. It will have access to the Bison Trail. **Adjourn:** 8:05 a.m.