



Bicycle and Pedestrian Advisory Board

Monday, December 12, 2016

5:30 p.m.

Board Retreat
Park Villa Meeting Room

Meeting Notes

Members Present: Maxine Bostic, Jack Brown, Barry Carroll, James Crowder, Jerry Jones, Tom Lasater, Tyler Stutzman, George Theoharis & Wendy Tan
Members Absent: Melany Barnes & Russell Fox
City Staff: Paul Gunzleman & Scott Wadle
Guests: Courtney Bengtson, Wichita Community Foundation & John Moore

Item	Description
1.	Call to Order: Jack Brown, Chairperson, welcomed City staff and guests.
2.	Approve Previous Meeting Notes: The board approved, by consensus, the November 14, 2016 meeting notes.
3.	Public Comments: There were no comments.
4.	<p>Board Priority Bikeways Consideration: Paul Gunzleman, Assistant City Engineer, provided status reports for the priority projects identified in the Master Bicycle Plan. Paul noted that the City's Capital Improvement Program includes City funding programmed to construct the Redbud Path from K-96 to 159th Street and Woodlawn to Rock Road and from K-96 to 159th Street in 2017. He also indicated that the WAMPO Transportation Improvement Program includes funding to construct the Redbud Path from K-96 to 159th Street in the year 2019. Paul indicated, that in order to utilize the WAMPO funding, the City of Wichita project to construct the Redbud Path in 2017 will need to be moved back to match up with the WAMPO funding.</p> <p>Paul reported that Public Works and Utilities Engineering staff is proposing to utilize the 2017 Wichita CIP Bike Enhancements line item funding to undertake design and possible construction on two new proposed bike path projects: 1) Hoover 21st to 29th; and 2) East Bank of the River southward from Gander Mountain to the Lincoln Street Dam. The Park Department is also contributing funding for the East Bank bikeway.</p> <p>The following projects were discussed as well: a) 17th & 18th Street Bikeways; b) Green Street from 3rd Street to WSU; c) Mt. Vernon improvements; and d) the proposed Delano corridor. The board members agreed to further discuss the proposed projects at the January 2017 meeting.</p> <p>Scott Wadle reviewed the information and discussion to date regarding prioritization of the bikeways. Based on the comments from the City Council requesting that the Wichita Bicycle and Pedestrian Advisory Board (WBPAB) identify how the priority bikeways implement City policies. The consensus of the</p>

	<p>WBPAB members was to request that staff consider how the bikeways can be evaluated using quantitative measures. The following measures were suggested.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Return on investment • Number of users • Employment • Linkages to planned bikeways • Connectivity to existing bikeways • Employment • Parks • Schools <p>Scott committed to bring back some ideas for the WBPAB members to review and discuss.</p>
5.	<p>Wichita Community Foundation [WCF]: At the invitation of the board, Courtney Bengtson, Director of Strategic Initiatives, was present to discuss the following initiative: ‘Focus Forward: Let’s Right Our Story.’ According to Ms. Bengtson, the WCF has engaged ‘Reach Advisors,’ a predictive analytics firm, for a multi-year, deep dive project about the region’s future economic growth. Ms. Bengtson showed a PowerPoint presentation that presented the highlights of the ‘Focus Forward’ initiative that addresses four specific challenges: 1) Perceptions; 2) Human Capital; 3) Entrepreneurial; and 4) Business Cycles. The city must overcome these challenges in order to move ahead economically. In closing, Ms. Bengtson explained that a more comprehensive report could be found at the following: thechungreport.com. Following a brief discussion, board members thanked Ms. Bengtson for her informative presentation and issued an ‘open invitation’ to attend future board meetings.</p>
6.	<p>Board Accomplishments 2016: Scott Wadle provided board members with a document entitled ‘Wichita Bicycle Pedestrian Advisory Board – Accomplishments for 2016.’ The document outlined the various accomplishments of the board in 2016. There was a consensus that the board has excellent staff support from Scott Wadle. Overall, board members were pleased with their accomplishments in 2016.</p>
7.	<p>Project Tracking Form: Barry Carroll provided each board member with a project tracking form for review. Each board member has been assigned specific projects to track. Jack Brown encouraged each member to track their projects and make a short presentation at each meeting. Barry noted that Paul Gunzleman may update the form as new projects are identified.</p>
8.	<p>Closing Thoughts:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Strategic Decision Making: There was consensus that future board decisions must be strategic in nature and based upon factual criteria [ex: Bike Plan, Ped Plan, CIP, Safety Considerations, Connectivity, Policy Considerations, etc.]. The board’s decisions must be clearly conveyed to the Mayor and City Council in order to assist them in their deliberations. Staff agreed to draft a decision matrix form for review at the next board meeting.

The next regularly scheduled meeting will be held on Monday, **January 9, 2017**. There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at **8:17 pm**.

Respectfully submitted, *Barry Carroll*, WBPAB Secretary