

**Bicycle and Pedestrian Safety Commission
Agenda
Monday, August 15, 2011
5:30 p.m. - Hooker Conference Room**

- I. INTRODUCTION
- II. APPROVAL OF MINUTES
 - 1). July 18, 2011
- III. PUBLIC COMMENT
(Items not on the agenda) Limit 3 minutes per person.
- IV. COMMISSION MEMBER'S COMMENTS
- V. DEPARTMENTAL UPDATES
 - A. City Planning
 - 1). West 3rd Street & Curry Pike – CVS Pharmacy
 - 2). Safety PSA/Press Release
 - B. City Engineering
 - C. Bloomington Police Department
- VI. NEW BUSINESS
 - 1). Update on Alta Planning & Design contract
 - 2). B-Line Trail & Convention Center Parking Lot – switch the stop sign from the trail to the parking lots
- VII. OLD BUSINESS

**NEXT WORK SESSION: Monday, September 5, 2011 at 5:30 p.m. in the Hooker
Conference Room at the Showers Building.**

**NEXT MEETING: Monday, September 19, 2011 at 5:30 p.m. in the Hooker
Conference Room at the Showers Building.**

MINUTES
BICYCLE AND PEDESTRIAN SAFETY COMMISSION
July 18, 2011

INTRODUCTIONS

MEMBERS Present: Anne Phillips Holahan, Mitch Rice, Jim Rosenbarger,
Jacob Sinex, Gayle Stuebe, Carl Zager

Absent: Mike Gavin

EX OFFICIO Vince Caristo, Planning Department
Denise Dean, Public Works Department

**ADVISORY
MEMBERS**

PUBLIC

**APPROVAL OF
MINUTES** Holahan made the motion to recommend the approval of the
minutes of the May 16, 2011 meeting. Rice seconded the
motion. The motion passed with a vote of 6-0-0.

**PUBLIC
COMMENT** There was none at this time.

**COMMISSION
MEMBER'S
COMMENTS** Sinex stated the City is working on the Allen Street Bike
Boulevard. They have paved from Walnut to Lincoln. Sinex is
concerned that the bike boulevard is not wide enough for two
bikes at one time while passing each other. Stuebe asked
Rosenbarger if he had gotten any feedback in regards to his e-
mail about the Bike Boulevard. Rosenbarger responded he had
not.
Stuebe stated there is a lot of confusion about who has the right
of way on the B-Line Trail. Rice stated he has seen more drivers
stopping for pedestrians at the crosswalks on the trail.
It was mentioned that the City Council would be voting on the
25 MPH speed limit change on some residential streets. Rice
stated the Commission should e-mail the Council members that
the BPSC is in support of this request. Rice stated he would
compose the e-mail and send it to Rosenbarger to forward on.
Holahan asked why there is not a multi-way stop at the
intersection of 6th & Washington. This area is very confusing for
everyone (i.e. motorists, bicyclists, pedestrians). Rosenbarger
stated she would need to make a request to the Bloomington

Traffic Commission to be put on their agenda.

**DEPARTMENT
UPDATES**

**Planning Department
Vince Caristo**

Update on Platinum Biking Task Force Report:

Caristo stated there should be a rough draft of the report done by the end of August. They hope to take the report to Council in October. They are trying to involve more City departments and outside groups. The date to become platinum is 2016. Caristo stated when the draft is complete he will put it back on the agenda for the Commission to look at.

Caristo stated the Planning Department's budget would be going before the City Council on Wednesday. They are asking for a 2% increase mainly in Environmental Commission and MPO. Some things the Planning Department would be working on in 2012 are: Growth Policies Plan, Long Range Transportation Plan, visioning process, MPO conference and the planning of the IU 12 acre master plan.

Caristo stated he recently had met with the Engineering Department about having through bike lanes at intersections where there is no traffic control device (i.e. Washington Street bike lanes). There would still be a dotted line through those intersections where there is a stop sign.

Caristo stated the City will be restriping Rogers Street from Kirkwood Avenue to 11th Street. Justin Wykoff has a plan which moves the parking from the east side to west side, create a bike lane on the east side and a sharrows lane on the west.

**Engineering
Department –**

There was none at this time.

NEW BUSINESS

Rice stated that Susie Johnson had requested the Commission bring to her attention any areas where they felt should be a marked crosswalk. He would like to see marked crosswalks at Highland & Atwater and Highland & 3rd Street. Highland & Atwater is at the bottom of a hill and near the School of Music where there are a lot of pedestrians.

Holahan asked if there was a plan to check the "Safe Routes to School" locations to make sure they were ready for the school year (i.e. trimmed bushes, pavement markings). Caristo stated the Planning Department was working with MCCSC to hire a consultant, through grant money, to check the routes for 8 elementary schools. This would include infrastructure barriers, walking routes, etc. They hope to let the RFP in August.

Rosenbarger stated this would be difficult because you would need to determine who is qualified to do such a study.

OLD BUSINESS

There was none at this time.

ADJOURNMENT The meeting adjourned at 7:00 p.m.

The next work session is scheduled for Monday, August 1, 2011 at 5:30 p.m. in the Hooker Conference Room.

The next official meeting of the Bicycle and Pedestrian Safety Commission is Monday, August 15, 2011 at 5:30 p.m. in the Hooker Conference Room.

CVS – W 3rd St and Curry Pike

Background

The petitioner is proposing to construct a CVS Pharmacy on a site at the north-east corner of W 3rd St and Curry Pike. The site is zoned 'Commercial General'. Three bike-ped-related issues have surfaced in preliminary discussions with City planning staff:

- 1) **The number of drive-thru bays.** The petitioner's preliminary site plan includes 2 drive-thru bays on the north side of the building. Zoning regulations allow a maximum of 1 drive-thru. It is unclear at this time whether the petitioner intends to change their plan or ask for a variance.
- 2) **The number and location of building entrances.** For this type of zoning, the UDO requires a building entrance along every primary arterial adjacent to the site – in this case, an entrance on the south and west side is required. The petitioner is asking for a variance to allow just one entrance at the south-east corner of the building as shown in the attached site plan. Staff intends to support this request.
- 3) **Driveway setback along Curry Pike.** The petitioner is asking for a driveway setback variance to allow the drive-thru/exist lane adjacent to Curry Pike as shown in the attached site plan. Staff intends to support this request.

Attachments

The attachments include a preliminary site plan and building renderings for this project.

Action requested

The petitioner intends to present their variance requests for items 2) and 3) to the Board of Zoning Appeals on August 25th, 2011. BPSC may wish to make a recommendation to City staff on how to resolve the above issues or on any other matter relevant to the project. BPSC may also find it appropriate to submit a memo to the Board of Zoning appeals concerning the case.



SOUTH ELEVATION (WEST 3RD STREET)

SCALE: 1/8" = 1'-0"



EAST ELEVATION

SCALE: 1/8" = 1'-0"



NORTH ELEVATION

SCALE: 1/8" = 1'-0"



WEST ELEVATION (CURRY PIKE)

SCALE: 1/8" = 1'-0"

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CVS/pharmacy

August 21, 2006

Public Service Announcement - BICYCLE SAFETY :60 Seconds

FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE:

BICYCLE RIDERS NEW TO THE AREA ARE URGED TO LEARN AND OBEY ALL TRAFFIC LAWS...THESE INCLUDE ALWAYS RIDING ON THE RIGHT SIDE OF THE ROAD IN THE SAME DIRECTION AS TRAFFIC FLOW, SIGNALING TURNS AND USING REFLECTORS OR LIGHTS VISIBLE FROM A DISTANCE OF 500 FEET... BICYCLISTS ARE SUBJECT TO THE SAME TRAFFIC LAWS AS MOTORIZED VEHICLES. A FREE COPY OF THE CITY BICYCLE MAP WITH SAFETY TIPS IS AVAILABLE AT LOCAL BIKE SHOPS, THE CITY SHOWERS BUILDING OR ON THE WEB AT BLOOMINGTON DOT "I-N " DOT GOV...

THIS MESSAGE IS BROUGHT TO YOU BY THE BLOOMINGTON BICYCLE AND PEDESTRIAN SAFETY COMMISSION.

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Bloomington Bicycle & Pedestrian Safety Commission

August 23, 2006

FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE: Bicycling can be a great way to get to and from campus and other destinations around town. It can increase personal physical fitness, prevent pollution and save money, too. The safety information listed below can make the journey less dangerous for everyone:

Obey the law. Here are a few of them:

- . All children under the age of 18 must wear a bicycle helmet by Bloomington law.
- . Bicyclists are subject to the same laws governing motorists. It is illegal to pass other vehicles on the right side, ~~or~~ to ride the wrong way on a one-way street, ~~or to ride~~ **Avoid riding** on sidewalks. Accidents with motorists are commonly attributable to these biking behaviors:
 - . A person riding a bicycle upon a roadway may not ride more than two (2) abreast except on paths or parts of roadways set aside for the exclusive use of bicycles.
 - . Bicycles operating in the dark ~~on a highway~~ must be equipped with a white lamp on the front and a red lamp on the rear (similar to an automobile) and visible from 500 feet. The law reads that the time to operate these lights is from at least one half hour after sunset to one half hour before sunrise. All bicycles must have a front and rear reflector.
 - . Bicycles should be equipped with a bell or other device audible from a distance of 100 feet.

Other Safety Tips:

- . **Wear a helmet** designed for bicycling. Be sure it fits properly, covering the forehead and snug enough not to move freely and obstruct vision. Head injuries are the most common cause of death for bicyclists.
- . **Learn and use hand signals** and look before turning. Make sure motorists are aware of your intentions at intersections and elsewhere. Be prepared to yield when not sure of a motorist's intentions.
- . **Never ride against traffic.** It is a common misconception that this may be "safer". Ride in the same direction as the motorized traffic is flowing. **Ride in a predictable manner**, without swerving in between parked or stopped cars. Be especially careful around alleys, driveways and parking lots and other points of ingress and egress.
- . **Always be prepared to stop.** With multi-gear bikes, keep hands on or close to both brakes. Use both brakes to stop, never using only the front (left) brake.
- . **Yield to pedestrians** (those traveling on foot). They have the right of way.

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- . **The wearing of headphones while riding a bicycle is dangerous.**
- . **Keep your bicycle in good working order.**
- . Pick up a copy of the **Bloomington Bicycle Map** to plan a recommended route of travel, using designated routes, lanes, sidepaths and connectors for your commute. It is available on the web at: Bloomington.in.gov and at local bicycle shops as well as the city planning offices, 401 N. Morton St

For further Bloomington bicycling information:

Bloomington Bicycle and Pedestrian Safety Commission website:
Bloomington.in.gov/publicworks or 349-3410

Bike 'N Ride city bus/bike rack website: bloomingtontransit.com/bikehtm or 336-RIDE

I.U. Campus bicycle registration website: parking.indiana.edu or 855-9848 @ Franklin Hall, \$5.00 flat fee per bicycle registration for annual parking permit at campus bike racks

I.U. Campus bus service: iubus.indiana.edu/iubusasp

Bloomington Bicycle Club: (Tours, weekly rides and bicycling education) on line
bloomington.in.us/~bbc or P.O. Box 463 Bloomington, IN 47402

Bloomington Department of Parks and Recreation: Bloomington.in.gov/parks (events, trails)

Bloomington Planning Department : Bloomington.in.gov/planning, 401 N. Morton St.

Indiana Bicycle Coalition: safety resource information, state advocacy and annual conference and events calendar, on line at bicycleindiana.org