

Bicycle Pedestrian Safety Commission

AGENDA

February 12, 2024 5:30 P.M.

In-person and virtual hybrid meeting

McCloskey Room, #135

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Meeting Agenda:

1. Attendance
2. Approval of Minutes - December 11, 2023
3. New Business
 - a. Project Updates
 - i. Staff-Led Traffic Calming and Greenways Program – *Making further completion on phase I priority projects*
 1. E. Longview Ave.
 - a. *Pete Ellis to Smith*
 - b. *Western leg is phase I, middle leg is Ph II and is being resurfaced, east leg already has speed humps, but as this connects the corridor, we wanted to get public feedback on it*
 - c. *Wed March 6 at PRP from 5:30-6:30pm*
 2. E. Thornton/Arden Dr.
 - a. *Southeastern spur of Hawthorne/Weatherstone Neighborhood Greenway*
 - b. *Connects Olive to High*
 - i. *Why not further?*
 1. *Connection to High*
 2. *Funding and limit of distance*
 3. *Recent improvements made east of High*
 4. *Sidewalks on both sides*
 - c. *Wed March 6 from 5:30-6:30pm at TBD*
 3. W. Countryside Dr. and Southern Pines Neighborhood
 - a. *Not a neighborhood greenway – just traffic calming*
 - b. *Already existing traffic calming here, much of it is temporary anyway*
 - c. *Upcoming resurfacing, and we want public feedback on what is/isn't working and*
 - i. *If speed humps vs cushions are desired*
 - ii. *Location changes*

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- iii. Amount of traffic calming
- d. Wed February 28 at RCA Community Park Shelter from 5:30-6:30pm
 - ii. Resident-Led Traffic Calming and Greenways Program call for projects
 - iii. E. 3rd St. Protected Bike Lane
 - iv. W. 2nd St. Modernization
 - v. B-Line Extension
 - vi. W. 1st St. Reconstruction
 - vii. Karst Farm Greenway Connector
- b. Safe Streets For All Update
 - 4. Old Business
 - 5. Reports from Commissioners
 - 6. Public Comment
 - 7. Adjourn

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Bicycle Pedestrian Safety Commission-MINUTES
December 11, 2023, 5:30 P.M.
In-person McCloskey Room, #135 and virtual hybrid meeting

1. Attendance

City Staff: Hank Duncan, Kendall, Knoke, Ryan Robling, Steve Cotter P&R

Commissioners: Paul Ash, Jaclyn Ray, Pauly Tarricone, Ann Edmonds, Rob Danzman (Zoom), Kori Renn, Mitch Rice

Public who spoke: only recorded names of the public who made comments, see below

2. Approval of Minutes - November 13, 2023 **Ann:** any comments? **Mitch:** move to approve **Pauly:** second

3. New Business

a. 2024 BPSC Meeting Dates **Hank:** 2nd Monday except March for spring break 3rd Monday in Council Chambers
Ron Brown: April 8th total eclipse **Hank:** check calendar to 3rd Monday

b. E. 3rd St. Protected Bike Lane **Hank:** screen share presentation History / Traffic Counts / Testimonials / T-Plan Policy / Design, Indiana Ave. to Eagleson Ave. hotspot for car parking in bike lane and high use by commuters, higher speeds and higher volume, 60% speeding above 25 mph, 12k+ vehicles per day, now a popular student drop-off zone so cyclists have to swerve into car lane, T. Plan calls for protected bike-lane, also meets all NACTO standards for a protected bike lane **Kendall:** engineering dept. urgent need to protection, longer term will be a corridor study, limited funding and also have existing traffic barriers, spacing is to deter the pulling over to drop-off students, trying two different barriers, one 1/3 of price, adding some delineators **Ann:** snow plowing? **Kendall:** can't plow narrower than 8' but Public Works is looking to get a plow that can do less than 8' **Ann:** street cleaning? **Kendall:** down to 6' but this would be 5' **Kori:** describe barriers **Kendall:** like a concrete curb, one is plastic and other one is rubber, I'll grab from my office **Paul:** like East Allen temporary? **Hank:** yes, close **Ann:** is there a period of public comment? **Hank:** here tonight then also at B. Of Public Works, we have heard a lot of public comment for 5-10 years, **Ann:** cyclists can get out of the bike lane and cars not in? **Hank:** preferably cyclists wouldn't need to get out of the bike lane **Ann:** drains and manhole covers **Kendall:** can drive over them, flat side to cars and curved to bike lane **Rob:** parallel to road? **Kendall:** yes **Rob:** SUVs could drive right over **Paul:** four-wheelers treat those like a toy **Mitch:** difference from W Allen, it's a beautiful corridor, most will follow the rules, what about enforcement? **Rob:** \$50 and cannot drive in bicycle lane at all **Mitch:** glued? **Kendall:** bolt, advantage is we have them already, if we don't like how they perform we can get a different product **Hank:** iterative step before permanent installment **Mitch:** this may be the one place to have parking enforcement **Kori:** thought you meant posts but campus doesn't like them **Hank:** have to minimize the 'clutter' **Rob:** delivery trucks often parked there **Kori:** in addition how do we change behaviors of drop-offs on 3rd? To where they are supposed to be going? **Kendall:** larger conversation for this whole corridor, lots of bus drop-off, this project is to just protect cyclists for now **Mitch:** take a lane and use hazards, trucks too, like a city **Ann:** lots of cars in right lane are turning right on Indiana, concern about right turning into cyclists **Kendall:** no changes at Indiana and E 3rd **Ann:** turning left at other streets like Woodlawn? **Hank:** you can do that **Mitch:** could we get delineated cross walks at each intersection? Densely walked area **Ann:** what are you asking from us? **Hank:** just comments, questions, concerns, support as is? **Rob:** is there an intention to re-paint the lanes and cyclist stencil? **Kendall:** just bidding out installation of barriers but we could try to coordinate painting with Public Works **Mitch:** especially sewer grates, need raising up to new asphalt level **Pauly:** wish it were more ambitious from Clarizz to B-line, but understand low-cost and urgent **Hank:** have materials on hand, have citizen demand, there will be a corridor study, step in right direction for low-stress bike network **Kori:** because of this now City doesn't have to improve this segment in the future? **Hank:** materials on hand not more permanent **Ann:** if it doesn't work well **Hank:** will follow-up on to check benefits **Mitch:** you have my support **Ann:** public comment, 2 mins? **Roll Call Vote:** yes
Public Comment: **Greg Alexander:** so exciting, there will be issues, learn a lot, iterative approach is core to vision zero **Chris Meyer:** IU staff, applaud these efforts, fantastic, using existing material good, as you move forward pls consider complete street mentality, including corner of 3rd and Indiana as bike lane disappears through intersection, stagger with peds and traffic, need more separation between bikes-peds-cars **Dave Askins:** thanks for bringing device from office, is idea that these will be lined up end to end or gaps? **Kendall:** 4' space between and 2.5' long **Hank:** choose spacing we decided to do protected areas closer, not wider to cover a larger area **Kori:** so cyclists can ride out **Kendall:** and storm water can get through **Paul:** and melting snow

4. Old Business

a. Local-Motion Grant Program **Ann:** five presentations last time, go around room, now \$7200 **Hank:** to clarify, Planning and Transportation have extra funds at end of year, high quality applicants **Ann:** rank them? **Pauly:** three fully funded or smaller amounts? **Ann:** can't give more than \$2400, divvy it up any way we want **Paul:** no opinion **Jaclyn:** Adult Ed, B&G Club, Library Story Walk, not fund YMCA b/c \$1600 t-shirts, Doc last b/c not feet on the ground or ppl on bikes **Pauly:** B&G Club, Adult Ed, Library Story Walk, YMCA, doc **Kori:** B&G Club, Adult Ed, Library Story Walk **Mitch:** Adult Ed, B&G Club, Library Story Walk **Rob:** B&G Club, Adult Ed, YMCA **Ann:** B&G Club, Adult Ed, Library Story Walk but not Olcott Park **Steve Cotter:** we would work with them in any City park **Pauly:** can we

comment still on these projects? **Ann:** none on zoom **Hank:** I can give feedback to them **Kori:** do they feedback to us how they spent the money? **Hank:** yes, follow up requirements **Ann:** public comment? (none) give B&G and MCCSC \$2400 each, divide \$2400 in half to YMCA and MCPL **Pauly:** moves **Mitch:** second **Roll Call Vote:** yes unanimous

b. Feedback Requested from Boards and Commissions – BPSC Letter **Ryan:** move this ahead because it is 21 days late **Ann:** we don't want to be subsumed into Parking and Traffic, want to stay separate **Pauly:** not related to ATC **Ann:** changes in way our mission is expressed **Hank:** first half mission of BPSC, second half is about potential merge, if not clearly defined we need to re-draft this **Ryan:** being heard on Wednesday **Kori:** this committee is important and necessary in public safety, needs to be a voice in the room for micro mobility, bikes and pedestrians for discussions of transportation not just car driver's voices **Rob:** unless we are explicit, this could be read a different way, a distinct voice within a larger commission, have something explicit if we want to stay separate **Ann:** instead say "in conclusion we think our commission stay separate from traffic and parking in order to ensure that the voice of micro-mobility is heard" can we re-do the last paragraph? **Rob:** we want to maintain the independence of the commission or remain separate **Kori:** I like Rob's language **Ann:** "in conclusion we'd like to maintain the independence of this commission" **Paul:** move to approve **Rob:** seconds **Roll Call Vote:** yes unanimous

c. Staff Led: Advisory Transportation Commission Proposal **Ryan:** onscreen presentation, staff rough draft, no timeline, want as much feedback early as possible, three boards: Traffic Commission, BPSC, Parking Commission, all three have goals they cannot achieve, if staff hours were freed-up staff could help reach those unfulfilled goals, 7-Line brought to all three commissions, members of public difficult to be heard at all the commissions, another example how to get a stop sign in your neighborhood? Which commission? Lack of wholistic planning, equity and inclusion considerations, structural exclusion, restrictions and conflicts, white non-disabled men over represented, ATC Vision Zero, equity and inclusion, streamline decision-making, clear point of contact at City for residents, greater decision-making, 45 fatalities in Mo. Co. since 2018, discussion? **Ann:** you're proposing to eliminate current 3 commissions and replace with this proposal? **Ryan:** yes, transfer SS4A would be first version **Jaclyn:** not presented that way **Ann:** not presented that way **Ryan:** body most related to this draft, hasn't happened yet **Jaclyn:** we need to reconsider who would be on SS4A **Paul:** if we go away, then I'm out **Pauly:** feels like last several months our meetings filled up with items, so even more concentrated for ATC, so how many things on our agenda is a repeat item on other commissions? **Ryan:** great point, often Traffic Commission cancelled maybe b/c no longer do traffic calming? one issue, parking they meet but have different agenda focus, I think there would be adequate time **Ann:** so on today's agenda, 3rd St. corridor, is that going to the other two commissions? **Ryan:** not required, engineering staff wanted BPSC to review **Kori:** matrix organization structure where overlap is needed, a representative from each body come together, yes additional volunteer time but it doesn't reduce voices of independent commissions and expertise, there is a different way to approach this

5. Reports from Commissioners **ran out of time**

6. Public Comment **ran out of time**

7. Adjourn