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| GREENWAYS COMMISSION MEETING SUMMARY MINUTES | | |
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| | JULY 6, 2009 | 4:00 P.M. |
| | | CCPC CONFERENCE ROOM |
| ATTENDANCE | <p><u>Board Members:</u> Jim Bullington, Tina Coates, Dick Cooper, Craig Dowell, Ed Martin, Richard Morgan, Dino Pinerola, Jeff Stein, Mary Travelsted</p> <p><u>Ex-Officios:</u> Ernie Gouvas, Steve Spencer, Mac Yowell</p> | |
| PROCEEDINGS | <p>Chairman Jeff Stein called the Greenways Commission meeting to order at 4:05 p.m.</p> <p>Roll call was taken and a quorum was determined with nine (9) members in attendance at the time of roll call.</p> <p>Jeff Stein asked the Board members if there were questions, comments or any corrections to the Summary Minutes of the June 1, 2009, meeting. Being none, he asked for a motion for approval.</p> | |
| ACTION | <p>A motion to approve the Summary Minutes of the June 1, 2009 Greenways Commission meeting was made by Richard Morgan and seconded by Dick Cooper. With a vote of 8 yeas, 0 nays, 1 abstain from voting, the Summary Minutes were APPROVED as submitted.</p> | |
| PROJECT UPDATES | <p>Josh Moore and Mac Yowell reports:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <u>West Campus Greenways Connector, Phase 2</u> (a photograph of the bridge on this project was passed around for review). <ul style="list-style-type: none"> -retaining wall constructed -currently setting pipe in drainage structure -progress slow due to wet weather • <u>Bench pads</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> -contractor ready to start to install pads at 12 locations -3 extra benches • <u>R/R crossing at Robinson Street</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> -Mr. Yowell has completed all required documents and a letter to CSX with exhibits asking for an estimate of cost; will have to wait for response from CSX. | |
| DISCUSSION | <p>Richard Morgan asked if the total to install bench pads was under the \$5000 target amount; Mr. Moore answered, yes.</p> <p>Tina Coates asked about the progress of the West Campus Greenways Connector after crossing Veterans Memorial Lane to New Bond Way. Mr. Yowell responds saying that the contractor has not started at that location yet.</p> | |
| NEW BUSINESS | <p><u>Future Projects</u></p> <p>Josh Moore refers to some informational sheets distributed prior to the meeting, listing the amount of remaining funds, possible future projects as well as the R/R crossing at Robinson Street project and an estimated cost for each. He explains the breakdown of remaining available funds and suggests moving forward with the next phase of the South Campus BGJHS Connector with the remaining funds from the TE 2006 funds as specified.</p> <p>Mr. Moore asks the board to review the list of proposed future projects and make suggestions on which would be a priority as funding are available to move forward.</p> | |



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| DISCUSSION | <p>Mr. Moore explains that the Kereiakes Park Connector Phase 3 project is still pending due to lack of cooperation from property owners and/or action from the City and that this project may not go any further. There was discussion by the board about installing signage/stripping for a bike connection around the blocks to finishing the connection. Dino Penerola expresses that the remaining funds for the Kereiakes Park project may be better spent in a different way. Mr. Moore notes that the biggest portion of the estimate is for utility relocation. He again asks the board to review the list of future projects and think about what they would like to see done next.</p> <p>Jim Bullington suggests extending the Kereiakes Park Connector path and widen the existing sidewalks as far as possible where right-of-way already exist from Cherokee Drive to Indian Hills Drive. No utilities will need to be moved. Mac Yowell reports that the joining of existing sidewalks with new sidewalks to achieve the required width is holding up well.</p> |
| ACTION | <p>A motion was made by Dick Cooper and seconded by Craig Dowell to extend the Kereiakes Park Connector Phase 3 project from Cherokee Drive to Indian Hills Drive pending the cost estimate. With a vote of 8 yeas and 1 nay, the motion PASSED.</p> |
| DISCUSSION | <p>Mary Travelsted asked who maintains the landscaping on the corner of Cemetery Road and Cherokee Drive where the bollards and WKU brick wall/sign are as the bushes/shrubs are growing onto the sidewalk hiding the bollards. Jim Bullington answers saying that WKU is responsible for the landscape and will contact them and ask to have the shrubs trimmed.</p> <p>There was discussion regarding the availability of matched grant money budgeted for Greenways by the City/WKU in 2008.</p> <p>Dick Cooper asked about the BGJHS Connection and widening the sidewalk at the corner of Nashville Road and Campbell Lane on the RiteAid/Potter School side regarding going behind the existing utilities to achieve the planned 4' width. Josh Moore answers saying that it was decided to stay on the Walgreens side of Nashville Road. The path will cross Nashville Road at the intersection of Campbell Lane and go toward South Campus. Tina Coats states that it was her understanding that the plan was to cross Nashville Road at Story Drive. Mr. Moore states that substantial drainage improvements would have to be done and also be a conflict of what Potter is constructing.</p> <p>Josh Moore reports on a possible project that would construct a path along Boatlanding Road to the existing Boatlanding Park using Church Street to Power Street and then Power Street to Boatlanding Road/Park; discusses estimate cost.</p> |
| ANNOUNCEMENTS | <p>Crawdaddy Run was a success; extra t-shirts are available.</p> <p>Josh Moore announces that he has received a letter and attachments from the City Public Works Department dated July 6, 2009, regarding the FY 2010 City Sidewalk projects. The letter states that the City invites the Greenways Commission to act as a clearinghouse for comments regarding greenways, trails, bicycle facilities, etc. A copy of the letter will be sent VIA email to the Greenways Commissioners with the attached list of FY 2010 sidewalk project candidates. Any comments/suggestions or re-prioritizing regarding these projects will need to be submitted to him by the end of July. Jeff Lashlee, Director of BG City Public Works explains the project list further including evaluation criteria, components, funding.</p> <p>The Greenways maps are now available on the internet; they are linked from the City's website (www.bgky.org) as well as the Planning Commission's website (www.warrenpc.org) under Greenways.</p> <p>The next Greenways meeting will be August 3, 2009 at 4:00 p.m.</p> |
| ADJOURNED | <p>Jeff Stein asked for further question and comments; being none, the meeting was adjourned at 5:10 pm.</p> |