



BICYCLE & PEDESTRIAN ADVISORY COMMITTEE

Summary Notes | February 11, 2019

City-County Planning Commission | 1141 State Street

PRESENT:

Nick Cook – BG NCS

Jennifer Tougas, Chair – WKU PTS

Greg Meredith – BGPW

Stephen Ogden

Josh Moore – WCPW

Matthew Holder – KYTC D3

Felicia Cartwright McLean

Deryck Rodgers – SWKYMBA

Dana Beasley Brown – City Commissioner

STAFF:

Karissa Lemon

Rachel Hurt

Ben Peterson

1. CALL TO ORDER

Karissa Lemon, MPO Coordinator, welcomed the committee and Chair Jennifer Tougas called the meeting to order and initiated introductions.

2. REVIEW/ACCEPT SUMMARY NOTES – December 10, 2018

Ms. Tougas asked if there were any additions or corrections to the summary notes from the December 10, 2018 BPAC meeting. Being none, she moved onto public comment.

3. PUBLIC COMMENT

There were no public comments.

4. NEW BUSINESS

The first item of new business was introduced by Ms. Lemon. Ms. Lemon asked if the committee had any comments or recommendations for changing the meeting day and month. It was suggested to send a poll to get feedback.

Ms. Lemon moved onto reviewing the draft BikeWalkBG bike map. Ms. Lemon and graphic designer, Stephen Ogden, reviewed the map. A number of suggested changes were provided.

Due to time constraints, Ms. Lemon postponed the Lovers Lane greenway update for the next meeting.

Several spring events were announced, including: Arbor Day celebration with a bike rodeo, Clean the Green community cleanup day, and national bike-walk month in May. Ms. Lemon added that committee/volunteer participation will be needed for each of these events. It was also added that a subcommittee should be formed for planning efforts related to bike-walk to school events. It was also stated that parent and school participation will be critical to the success of these events. Ms. Lemon added that this spring will also offer more opportunity for community bike rides.

5. INFORMATIONAL ITEMS & PROJECT UPDATES

Ms. Lemon provided a brief update on the social media/marketing campaign for BikeWalkBG, the grant project using Paula Nye Memorial funds. Overall, social media allowed for greater online visibility, followers and post shares increased, and the PSAs were the most successful posts.

Nick Cook, City of Bowling Green Grants Coordinator, updated the BPAC on greenway grant projects. The Moss Middle School-Jennings Creek Elementary School connector was recently approved for right-of-way acquisition. The project is expected to go out to bid for construction in May 2020. The West End greenway and intersection improvement project is moving into final design this spring. The grant applications for a pedestrian-bicycle bridge connecting Riverwalk/Mitch McConnell Park and Weldon Peete Park underneath the River Street bridge have yet to be awarded, but are expected to be approved in the coming months. Mr. Cook reported that shared-use paths/sidewalks will be constructed near/through Lampkin Park and Pedigo Park for a total of \$573,000. Greg Meredith, Bowling Green Public Works Director, added that the downtown Fountain Square Park improvements will begin on February 24th, with final completion slated for late 2019/early 2020.

Deryck Rodgers, Southwest Kentucky Mountain Association (SWKYMBA) representative, reported on various projects

happening in and around Warren County. Mr. Rodgers reported SWKYMBA is working on mountain bike trails at Barren River Lake, Rough River, and Nolin Lake State Park, outside of Warren County. In Warren County, SWKYMBA is reviewing potential mountain trail locations at Hobson Grove Park, the National Corvette Museum Motorsports Park, and a pump track/skills course at Low Hollow trail. Mr. Rodgers added that the Low Hollow Trail Fest mountain bike race and 5K will be held on June 29, 2019.

6. ADJOURN

With no further business, the meeting was adjourned. The next meeting will be held on April 8, 2019.