



BICYCLE & PEDESTRIAN ADVISORY COMMITTEE

Summary Notes | October 13, 2020

City-County Planning Commission | Zoom Virtual Meeting

PRESENT:

Melissa Cansler – *BGPW*

Dana Beasley Brown – *City Commissioner*

Ryan Pattee – *Catalina Bike Repair/Community*

Daniel Walker – *KYTC Central Office*

Darrin Grenfell – *FHWA KY*

Bernadette Dupont – *FHWA KY*

Nick Cook – *City of BG*

Matthew Holder – *KYTC D3*

Jennifer Tougas – *WKU, Chair*

STAFF:

Karissa Lemon

Ben Peterson

Rachel Hurt

Monica Ramsey

1. CALL TO ORDER

Dr. Jennifer Tougas called the meeting to order and initiated introductions.

2. REVIEW/ACCEPT SUMMARY NOTES – February 10, 2020

Ms. Tougas asked if there were any additions or corrections to the summary notes from the February 10, 2020 BPAC meeting. Being none, she moved onto public comment.

3. PUBLIC COMMENT

There were no public comments.

4. NEW BUSINESS

Dr. Tougas called on Ms. Karissa Lemon to introduce the first item of business. Ms. Lemon welcomed the FHWA and KYTC representatives and provided additional introductions. Ms. Bernadette Dupont, Mr. Darrin Grenfell, and Mr. Daniel Walker represented FHWA and KYTC and work to advocate for bicycling and pedestrian projects and programs. Together, they provided a brief presentation on bike/ped education and advocacy efforts.

Dr. Tougas introduced the next item of business, stating she is wanting to step down from her role as Chair of the BPAC due to additional responsibilities she has taken on at WKU. Ms. Lemon thanked Dr. Tougas for her years of leadership and explained the committee can nominate a new Chair for the BPAC, or let the BPAC function as a staff-led group. Ms. Lemon and Mr. Ben Peterson briefly provided an overview of the responsibilities of the Chair to enact and establish the agendas, advocate for biking and walking, initiate focus areas, and help set the best direction forward for the committee. Ms. Lemon asked anyone interested to contact her and said she would provide a follow-up email with more information.

5. INFORMATIONAL ITEMS & PROJECT UPDATES

Ms. Lemon reviewed the upcoming events listed on the agenda and asked if the group would be interested in a fall greenway cleanup. It was decided this could be done socially distanced and will be scheduled within the next month. Ms. Dana Beasley-Brown asked if the City would start using the green bike lane paint, as mentioned in the FHWA/KYTC presentation. It was stated that the City can work towards incorporating this into future projects, but currently does not have any plans to do so.

Nick Cook updated the committee on the funded grant projects: Moss Middle School Greenway connection is completed, but the City is awaiting funding approval to install a rectangular rapid flashing beacon at the mid-block crossing on Creekwood; the West End greenway project is in the ROW acquisition phase, also submitted to KYTC and awaiting approval; the ADA sidewalk project is expected to start soon; and the recently awarded Riverfront Project is in progress, with the City working on the final submittals to then move into final design. Ms. Melissa Cansler added that the Smallhouse Rd. shared use path will be extended from Ridgecrest Way to the Broadway Ave/Scottsville Rd. intersection and an 8' shared-use path will be constructed with the Shive Lane Ext. project underway.

Dr. Tougas stated that WKU is seeking a new e-bike vendor to work with both the City and WKU on bike-sharing services, but they do not expect anything to be in place until next fall 2021.

6. ADJOURN

With no further business, the meeting was adjourned. The next meeting will be held on December 14, 2020.