

# BICYCLE & PEDESTRIAN ADVISORY COMMITTEE (BPAC)

*A sub-committee of the MPO Technical Advisory Committee*

**Summary Notes | December 8, 2025; 3:00 p.m.**

Hybrid | In-person @ 922 State St, Suite 200 / Virtual Zoom

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/85959912568>

## **PRESENT:**

**Ben Hunt** – KYTC D3

**Christopher Walden** – KYTC D3

**Kyle Hunt** – Bowling Green City Public Works

**Melanie Lawrence** – Operations Pride (v)

**Jake Moore** – City Neighborhood Services

**David Graves** – Kimley-Horn (v)

**Nick Phelps** – Martin Marietta (v)

**Jared Jeffers** – KYTC/KBBC (v)

**Trace Kinney** – Citizen/Volunteer

**Tammy Willinger-Frederick** – SKYCTC )

**Amber Kelleher** – Citizen/Volunteer (v)

**Seth Carter** – Citizen (v)

**John Danielson** – Citizen

**Katie Rowe** – Gresham Smith (v)

**Diane Moats** – BGLOB (v)

## **CCPC/MPO STAFF:**

Rachel Hurt

Carroll Duckworth

Natasha Smith

### **1. Call Meeting to Order & Introductions**

### **2. Review Summary Notes – October 13, 2025**

- A. There were no additions or corrections to the [summary notes from the October 13, 2025 BPAC meeting](#).

### **3. Business/Working Items** – Carroll Duckworth provided updates on the following items:

- A. Smart Growth America Complete Streets Academy –Two projects: 1.) Smallhouse/Covington and Broadway/Scottsville Intersection 2.) Morgantown Rd. on inbound side from Wal-Mart entrance (Festival Drive) to where sidewalk begins. More information: [Quick Build Projects](#). Kyle Hunt stated that everything has been submitted and is waiting the approval of the PO for striping to be completed by Reynolds for Morgantown Rd. (bike lane and bump outs) and Smallhouse/Scottsville Rd (2 crosswalks and bump outs). This leave approximately \$6K for use on the artwork to fill bump out areas.

### **4. Project Updates:**

- A. **MPO** – Carroll Duckworth provided updates on the following items:
- City of Bowling Green GoBG Transit and WKU Topper Transit merger study has been completed by RLS & Assoc. [https://www.warrenpc.org/wp-content/uploads/2025/12/Final-Report\\_Transit-Merger.pdf](https://www.warrenpc.org/wp-content/uploads/2025/12/Final-Report_Transit-Merger.pdf)
  - Transit Development Plan in the works for City of Bowling Green GoBG Transit and WKU Topper Transit.
- B. **BikeWalkBG** – Carroll Duckworth provided updates on the following items:
- Adopt-A-Trail greenway sponsors update remain consistent. Additional sponsors are needed. Martin Marietta who was in attendance was recognized as a sponsor. Amber Kelleher asked for flier/information to pass out. It was agree it was a good idea and materials will be produced.
  - BikeWalkBG participating in a Study Advisory Committee for a Kentucky Transportation Center research project has concluded. Jared Jeffers gave additional information about a bike/ped counter that has been placed at the corner of Bryant Way and Scottsville Rd for approximately one month to collect data. The City plans to apply for a TAP grant that will involve this section. Jared Jeffers stated that the data could be used by the City in the grant application. Jared Jeffers stated a counting device was also placed at Ridgecrest and



- Smallhouse area.
- c. Spark Grant report has been submitted to report on last year's supply purchases.
  - d. Conducted BikeWalkBG School Bike Education Program at City/County schools this fall: 8 weeks, 8 schools, 28 classes, 625 students. Thanks to partners and volunteers. We are making reservations for spring 2026 and already have two schools scheduled. Schools participating since our last meeting include: 10/16/25 – Richardsville Elementary; 10/17/25 – Natcher Elementary; 10/31/24 – Bristow Elementary
  - e. BikeWalkBG Conducted FREE Community Bike Rides since last meeting:
    - 10/28/25 – Halloween Ride Free Community Night Bike Ride– Mellow Mushroom
    - 11/06/25 – Kentucky Bicycle and Bikeway Commission (KBBC) Free Community Night Bike Ride
  - f. BikeWalkBG hosted KBBC annual meeting on Friday, 11/07/25. Response has been very favorable.
  - g. The last of three WKU SLL learning classes on driver safety was conducted on 10/08/25.
  - h. BikeWalkBG conducted a FREE Community Bike Rodeo, info booth, helmet giveaway at – Harvest Fest, SAT 10/18/25. Turnout was great.
  - i. Upcoming Events
    - Each Friday – FREE BWBG Walking Club, Fountain Square Park, Noon
    - 12/08/25 MON – Light Up BGKY Free community night time bike ride
  - j. TAP Grant Opportunity – Deadline 1/19/26 - The federal Transportation Alternatives Program (TAP) provides funding for surface transportation projects such as on- and off-road pedestrian and bicycle facilities, infrastructure projects for improving non-driver access to public transportation and enhanced mobility, community improvement activities, environmental mitigation and safe routes to school projects. Requires 20% local match. <https://transportation.ky.gov/LocalPrograms/Pages/TAP.aspx>
  - k. Spark Grant now open – Deadline 1/27/26
  - l. REI also has a grant however only non-profits are eligible and have to be recommended. It is unclear if a REI store has to be located in the same city.
  - m. Tasha Smith stated there is also a Park Grant that provides tools for non-profits. Diane Moats with BGLOB expressed interest.
  - n. GM Main Street Grant Opportunity – Deadline 02/13/26 <https://mainstreet.org/about/partner-collaborations/gm-on-main-street-grant-program> Jake Moore to check to see if the City plans to make application. Addition decorative crosswalks were discussed. Attendees were encouraged to think of other project suggestions.
  - o. Build Grant now open – The City plans to submit a grant for Russellville Rd project at WKU involving the railway underpass. This will be the fourth attempt with this grant.
  - p. Bicycle Friendly Community Award – Status from The League of American Bicyclist has been delayed from December to January. <https://bikeleague.org/bfa/community/>
  - q. Paula Nye Memorial Grant Application Award – Jerod Jeffers confirmed that the status from KBBC would be announced in December/January.
  - r. Discussion with Rails to Trails Conservancy (RTC) about Bowling Green/Warren County Trails system. Natasha Smith provided additional information regarding the connectivity to area greenways.
  - s. Special Fall BikeWalkBG newsletter was published on 11/25/25 <https://conta.cc/3JX9Kv2>
  - t. Bike Lane Uprising now has Bowling Green as one of their cities and bike lane obstruction reports have made <https://www.bikelaneuprising.com/>
- C. City – Jake Moore provided an update on Bryant Way 8' greenway which will provide access from Scottsville Rd to Ken Bale at a cost of \$1.8 million. The plan includes a cross walk with buttons at Bryant Way and Scottsville Rd. The plan to use the TAP grant along with match from



a state grant.

- D. City (Public Works/Parks) – Kyle Hunt provided updates on the following:
  - a. Three Springs Rd - Wheatstone to across from Flealand sidewalk project using TAP grant.
  - b. Sidewalk project from Three Springs Rd. to Wheatstone subdivision.
  - c. Jackson St
  - d. Smallhouse – Campbell Lane to Thimble Finger
  - e. Scottsville Rd multiuse path right of way question, construction expected to start in 2027.
  - f. Highland Way greenway in property acquisition phase.
  - g. Ridgecrest – RFP to be installed.
- E. State KYTC-D3 – Ben Hunt provided the following updates:
  - a. Nashville Rd (Campbell Lane to roundabout) expected be let this winter.
  - b. Three Spring Rd. – Flealand to past I-165 bridge. Project involves widening bridge to include pedestrian walkway.
- F. SKTCTC – Tammy Willinger-Frederick stated SKYCTC has indicated interest in making a bicycle friendly university with The League of American Bicyclists.
- G. Gresham Smith – Katie Rowe provided the following updates:
  - a. BG-Mammoth Cave Feasibility Study – expects final study to be completed first part of 2026.
  - b. Regional Trail Feasibility Study continues.

## 5. Updates On Old Business

- A. Inquiry about the status of the green paint on cross walks/signage/trailhead markers. Kyle Hunt to check on this.
- B. Greenway map updates – who updates when changes are needed? Kyle Hunt to check on this.
- C. Leading Pedestrian Interval (LPI) – Carroll Duckworth provided the following updates;
  - a. KYTC
    - LPIs are in place at: (1) University Blvd at Normal Ave, (2) US 31W at KY 526 (by Warren East HS). Complaints were received about vehicles making turns while pedestrians were in the crosswalks, both locations have higher pedestrian counts, and are located adjacent to schools.
    - One of the heaviest pedestrian crossing in Warren County is the crosswalk from Creason Lot to WKU at Russellville Road/University Blvd. There is a NO RIGHT TURN ON RED and no vehicular turning movements conflict with pedestrian movements at that location.
    - LPI's create more delay – essentially a longer all-red phase – so that is why they are not automatically implemented at every intersection. However, there are safety benefits, and where warranted, it is a consideration for other locations.
    - The formula for Pedestrian Crossing Time (PCT) = Crosswalk Length ÷ Walking Speed with the assumed average (slow to fast walkers) walking speed of 3.5 feet per second. It is not based on the “slowest case scenario.”
    - The Bypass/High Street crossing time will be checked as it may still be programmed with the faster walking speed.
    - Typically there are 7 seconds of the walk indication (unless there is heavy pedestrian volume), followed by the flashing don't walk that is calculated using PCT. This allows anyone who has entered the crosswalk on the walk indication to have enough time to make it across before a conflicting vehicle phase gets a green.
    - The flashing don't walk timing at the Bypass/High Street, and both the Bypass crossing & Kroger entrance crossing were reviewed and found to have adequate time. Due to the extra width crossing the Medical Center entrance, 3 seconds were added.



- Note -Intersections with the older style pedestrian signal heads don't have the countdown number (like High Street/Bypass), people think the flashing upraised hand alone means the pedestrian phase/crossing time is over, and they will start running across. With an upcoming project on the bypass, it is hoped to rebuild this traffic signal, which will include countdown ped heads, accessible push buttons, and a pedestrian crossing on the northern leg (crossing the bypass).

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- Discussed internally of a few locations that where possible and it makes sense to implement the Leading Pedestrian Intervals (LPI).
- Most intersections downtown with the higher pedestrians allow the pedestrian phase automatically for at least a portion of the intersection (not push button activated).
- LPIs can be implemented on phases that are in recall (no button) however, if there are no pedestrians, the signal is delayed for no reason.
- Signals are being converted to fully pedestrian activated for all phases (button all around) as upgrades occur. With this upgrade the LPIs will be considered where appropriate.
- The light at 10th/College has been reprogrammed for monitoring and observation.

**6. Public Comment/Concern –**

- A. Status of greenway next to old Warren Elementary School – Carroll Duckworth advised that the property where the greenway is located is owned by WCPS and that they are using it for a car rider pick up line during the start and end of the school day. The greenway remains open the rest of the time for bike/ped use.
- B. Bollards on Walking Bridge (Riverview Dr./31W side) – These bollards are painted dark green currently. They are hard to see in the mornings and evenings and cyclists could crash into them if they don't see them. Can hi-vis paint or simple reflectors be used to make them more visible? Kyle Hunt to check on this.
- C. Highland/Smallhouse intersection - It has been commented that traffic goes way too fast through this corridor and people do run that light. There's a lot of traffic moving on Smallhouse, especially during rush hours. With the future greenway on Highland in the works, connecting that new greenway to the existing Smallhouse superhighway in a safe way is going to be very important. Kyle Hunt stated that the Highland greenway plan will include cross walks and pedestrian buttons to address this issue.

**7. Adjournment**

**NEXT MEETINGS: MPO Bicycle Pedestrian Advisory Committee (BPAC) – February 9, 2026, 3:00 p.m.**  
**MPO Technical Advisory Committee (TAC) – February 23, 2026, 1:00 p.m.**  
**MPO Policy Committee (PC) – February 24, 2026, 3:00 p.m.**

