

**EAU CLAIRE
BICYCLE & PEDESTRIAN ADVISORY COMMITTEE**

Meeting of October 15, 2019

The meeting was chaired by Aaron Salmon in the City Council Chambers at City Hall and called to order at 6:00 p.m.

Members Present: Aaron Salmon, Ann Francis, JJ Henriksen, Kyle Brouillard, Catherine Lee, Scott Larson, Bill Berg, Matt Boelter

Members Absent: Scott Kmetz

Staff Present: Trevor Wittwer, Pat Ivory

Visitors Present: None

New Committee Member. Matt Boelter was welcomed to the Committee. Matt is replacing Brian Jenquine who moved to Fond Du Lac.

Minutes. The minutes from the September 17, 2019 meeting were approved as written.

1. Bicycle and Pedestrian Safety Comments. Comments included: there is a blind corner at the east end of the tunnel under North Clairemont Avenue in the vicinity of Vine Street and the placement of a convex mirror would improve safety at that location, and it was noted that some vehicles have been seen blocking the public sidewalk while parking in their driveways. Pat Ivory indicated that he would contact the Police Department to ask if the Police could send out a press release noting that vehicles blocking the public sidewalks are in violation of the City ordinance and also creates a safety concern. Scott Larson noted that Putnam Drive had been graded and is now in good condition. He questioned whether during the winter if the road could be maintained by grooming/rolling the snow. It was noted that this would be a question for the Putnam Park Commission and could be discussed further at the Committee's next meeting.

2. Recap of Wisconsin Bicycle Summit. Scott Larson provided an overview of the Wisconsin Bicycle Summit that he recently attended in Wausau. Items Scott discussed with the Committee included: membership with the Wisconsin Bike Federation, complete streets, Smart Growth America, People for Bikes, WI Active Together, environmental justice planning, coordinating bicycle and pedestrian planning with local health care agencies, and bike maps. The Committee discussed several of the topics and noted that several of the items should be considered for the 2020 work plan for the Committee. The Committee will discuss their 2020 work plan at their December meeting.

3. Update on 2019 CIP. Trevor Wittwer provided an update on the 2019 CIP projects. Trevor noted that he may have a preliminary list of street projects for the next meeting that will be reconstructed in 2020. The Committee would discuss the projects in detail at their December and January meetings.

4. Overview of Cannery Redevelopment District Draft Concept Plan. Pat Ivory provided an overview of the draft concept plans for the Cannery Redevelopment District. The district is located on the west side of the Chippewa River and north of Madison Street. Pat noted that the City is working with Vandewalle and Associates in the development of the concept plan. A public meeting was held in September to obtain community input on the draft plan. The Committee discussed the concept plan and noted the importance of incorporating well thought out pedestrian and bicycle connections and circulation within the district. Aaron Salmon also suggested that the concept of a bicycle friendly district be considered for the area where tradeoffs are provided to reduce vehicle parking requirements when bicycle facilities are provided. The Committee decided that they should draft a letter to the Redevelopment Authority and Vandewalle outlining the Committee's position on encouraging pedestrian and bicycle-related enhancements within the district. Aaron Salmon asked Committee members to forward suggestions for the letter to staff prior to the next meeting.

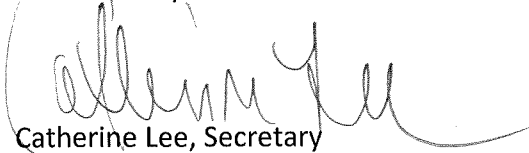
5. Discussion of HTI Wellness Fair. The Committee discussed the upcoming wellness fair to be held at HTI on November 6th. Ann Francis indicated that she would send in the registration form for BPAC to have a table at the wellness fair. The Committee discussed information that could be displayed and Aaron indicated that he would draft a flyer that could be used to get input and suggestions regarding pedestrian and bicycle needs and safety issues in the community. Ann and Pat agreed to attend the fair.

6. Other items.

- a) **Future agenda items.** Agenda items for future meetings will include: drafting a letter relating to the Cannery District concept plan, discussion of 2020 street program, 2020 Committee work program, winter use of Putnam Drive, bicycle corral design, and Bicycle Friendly Community application.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:10 p.m.

Submitted by:


Catherine Lee, Secretary