

**EAU CLAIRE  
BICYCLE & PEDESTRIAN ADVISORY COMMITTEE**

**Meeting of January 21, 2020**

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

**Members Present:** Aaron Salmon, Scott Kmetz, Kyle Brouillard, Scott Larson, JJ Henricksen, Bill Berg, Matt Boelter, Catherine Lee

**Members Absent:** Ann Francis

**Staff Present:** Trevor Wittwer, Pat Ivory

**Visitors Present:** None

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

**1. Bicycle and Pedestrian Safety Comments.** Comments included: several sidewalk snow-related issues were mentioned; specific locations included the sidewalk to the south of Shopko Plaza along West MacArthur Avenue, the intersections along State Street from Tyler Avenue north to Lexington Boulevard and that Margaret Street was quite narrow because of the plowing. Pat Ivory noted that staff was reviewing issues along McKinley Avenue in the vicinity of the McKinley Charter School relating to an accident that had recently occurred in this area. Portions of the roadway are in the City of Eau Claire and Town of Seymour.

**2. Updates on the 2020 Capital Improvements Plan Street Program.** Trevor Wittwer discussed several updates related to the 2020 CIP projects proposed for next year. The following was discussed:

- Garfield Avenue and Omaha Street. These street projects were shifted to 2021.
- Fairfax Street (Clairemont Avenue to Skeels Avenue). The issue of adding bicycle lanes along Fairfax Street was discussed. As noted at the December meeting, the Committee felt that bicycle lanes should be included along Fairfax Street as there are three schools in the area, HyVee plans to construct a major grocery store at the northeast corner of Fairfax Street and Clairemont Avenue, and both Fairfax Street and Lexington Boulevard are designated as bicycle routes in the Bicycle and Pedestrian Plan.  
**ACTION TAKEN:** Kyle Brouillard moved to recommend that at a minimum, that bicycle lanes be included this year between Clairemont Avenue and Lexington Boulevard and then added in subsequent years to the south as additional sections of Fairfax Street are reconstructed. Matt Boelter seconded the motion. All votes were in favor. Motion carried.
- Gateway Drive (Golf Road to Glennbrook Drive). The Committee continued to discuss the location of the proposed crosswalk in the vicinity of the Target store driveway. South of the

driveway was recommended in December. The possibility of the installation of a rectangular rapid flashing beacon (RRFB) at this crosswalk was also discussed.

**ACTION TAKEN:** Scott Larson moved to recommend that the crosswalk be placed on the south side of the Target store driveway and that consideration be given for an RRFB in the vicinity of the crosswalk. Kyle Brouillard seconded the motion. All votes were in favor. Motion carried.

- Riverview Drive (Welsh Court to Riverview Park north boat launch). Trevor reviewed more detailed plans for Riverview Drive. The plans call for an urban standard street with two vehicle lanes, room for future bicycle lanes, a wide pathway along the east side of the street, a sidewalk on the west side of the street extending from Welsh Court to Riverview Park and then extending within the park, and on-street parking at selected locations. Crosswalks are planned at Welsh Court, in the vicinity of the boat landing parking lot, and at the south end of Riverview Park. RRFBs are being considered at a couple locations in the vicinity of the park. The Committee noted their support for the project as discussed.
- Water Street (First Avenue to Second Avenue). Trevor provided some additional information about this project that was discussed at the December meeting.

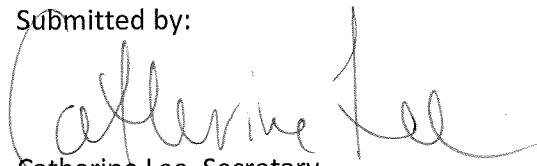
**3. Discussion of 2020 Committee Work Plan.** The Committee discussed the approved 2020 work plan. Several projects were discussed, in particular the proposed awards/commendation program. The Committee asked for information regarding the Sustainability Committee's award program to be discussed at the February meeting.

**4. Other items.**

- a) **Future agenda items.** Agenda items for future meetings will include: election of officers, CIP project updates, and the 2020 Committee work program including: the awards program, bike map update, possible outreach to groups representing persons with disabilities, and developing materials/supplies for Committee educational events.

The meeting was adjourned at 7:35 p.m.

Submitted by:



Catherine Lee, Secretary