

**EAU CLAIRE
BICYCLE & PEDESTRIAN ADVISORY COMMITTEE**

Meeting of August 17, 2021

Members Present: Berg, Francis, Henricksen, Kmetz, Larson, Salmon

Members Absent: Brouillard, Dobson, Kmetz, Sorenson

Staff Present: Graybehl, Gullickson, Wittwer

Visitors Present: None

1. Call to Order & Introduction of Visitors. Chair Salmon called the virtual meeting to order at 6:05.

2. Reading and approval of minutes of the past meetings July 20, 2021. Mr. Berg moved to approve the minutes. Ms. Francis seconded and it was approved.

3. Open Public Comment Period for Items that do not appear on this Agenda noted as Public Hearings or Items for Public Discussion. None.

4. Public Discussions

Item 1: 2nd Quarter Crash Data Update - ECPD. There were two pedestrian crashes involving vehicles in the quarter. One crash was a hit and run with a vehicle striking a pedestrian at Clairemont Avenue and Stein Boulevard. A second crash occurred when a vehicle struck a pedestrian at W Madison Street and Mappa Street.

Item 2: League Cycling Instructor Discussion. The Committee is looking for a community organization to assist in bringing a league cycling instructor to the City as part of the Bicycle and Pedestrian Advisory Committee (BPAC) 2021 Work Plan.

Item 3: Survey Outreach Discussion. An outreach plan was reviewed by BPAC which details an outreach program which will occur on an ongoing annual basis.

Item 4: BPAC Awards Update. A small group of members met to recommend award recipients to the committee as a whole. The small group recommended the individual Pat Ivory, the company Jamf, and the nonprofit organization Chippewa Off Road Bike Association. BPAC recognizes there are a variety of groups advancing pedestrian and bicycling activities and they are excited to award more great individuals and groups in

the future. Mr. Larson motioned to adopt the small group's recommendation. Ms. Francis seconded and the motion carried.

BPAC plans to present the awards in October to the recipients.

Item 5: Mobility Trends. Cities are opening up streets to pedestrians as part of the pandemic and many are keeping them dedicated to pedestrians. The City may benefit from allowing more pedestrian use of streets for restaurant and retail use. During farmers market and Concerts in the Park limiting portions of Riverfront Terrace may help increase safety. Communities are implementing slow street programs to increase safety on streets. In Colorado, a college is making use of autonomous vehicles which use pre-determined routes to transport students.

5. Other Business Agenda Items

Item #1: CIP Project Update. Mr. Wittwer gave an update on the current street construction projects with estimated timelines for completion in the fall.

Item #2: Airport Neighborhood Update. There was a meeting on August 9th where members expressed concern of truck traffic near schools. The neighborhood requested that a truck route be created to limit truck traffic in the neighborhood. In addition, they noted pedestrian safety especially near the school and requested that the school zone speed limit start at a distance further from the school.

6. Discussion and Direction

A. Future Agenda Items

- 1 Airport Neighborhood Update
- 2 League Cycling Instructor
- 3 BPAC Awards Update
- 4 Closing Riverfront Terrace During Events
- 5 2021 Work Plan Review
- 6 Walkability Scoring
- 7 Speed Data

B. Announcements

7. Adjournment. The meeting was adjourned at 7:45 p.m. by chair Salmon.

Submitted by:



JJ Henricksen, Secretary