EAU CLAIRE BICYCLE & PEDESTRIAN ADVISORY COMMITTEE

Meeting of December 21, 2021

Members Present: Brouillard, Dobson, Berg, Francis, Henrickson, Salmon

Members Absent: Sorenson, Kmetz, Larson

Staff Present: Wittwer

Visitors Present: None

- **1. Call to Order & Introduction of Visitors.** Chair Salmon called the virtual meeting to order at 6:07 pm.
- **2.** Reading and approval of minutes of the past meetings October **19**, **2021**. Committee member Francis moved to approve the minutes. Committee member Brouillard seconded and it was approved.
- 3. <u>Open Public Comment Period</u> for Items that do not appear on this Agenda noted as Public Hearings or Items for Public Discussion. None.

4. Public Discussions

Item #1: Bike Sharrows. Staff discussed the City policy on when/where sharrows are proposed with projects, and also referenced studies that indicate that sharrows actually make a roadway less safe for bicyclists. The Committee discussed how to proceed with future discussions of sharrow proposals, and the intended use and appropriate scenario for sharrow placement. It was stated that removing or not replacing sharrows was not adequate enough, and additional solutions for bicycle infrastructure should be sought.

Item #2: 2022 CIP Projects. Staff presented the remaining CIP projects proposed for 2022. Most projects are small, one or two blocks, on local residential streets. The Committee supported each project as proposed with no additional recommendations.

Item #3: Bike & Ped Survey. Member Francis encouraged other members to start sharing the bike & ped survey link with as many people as possible. Keeping a log of who the survey is sent to was discussed to allow for additional follow up as the City changes and survey responses could change.

5. Other Business Agenda Items

Item #1: Owen Park Bathroom Bike Rack Update. Staff indicated that the proposed bike rack for the Owen Park bathroom will be installed in the spring.

Item #2: Chippewa Valley Bike Routes Update. Staff informed the Committee that there is funding available for the regional bike route signage, and the project should get bid out in 2022 for completion of a few routes.

6. Discussion and Direction

A. Safety Concerns. Committee members expressed concern over lack of snow removal on public stairwells, specifically on State Street.

B. Future Agenda Items.

- 4th Quarter Crash Data
- Bike Sharrows
- Artistic Crosswalks
- DOT Intersection Improvement Process
- Trail Crossing Delineated Marking

C. Announcements. None.

7. Adjournment. The meeting was adjourned at 8:02 p.m. by chair Salmon.

Submitted by:

JJ Henricksen, Secretary

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