

**EAU CLAIRE  
BICYCLE & PEDESTRIAN ADVISORY COMMITTEE**

**Meeting of January 18<sup>th</sup>, 2022**

**Members Present:** Francis, Dobson, Kmetz, Berg, Brouillard, Sorenson

**Members Absent:** Larson, Salmon, Henricksen

**Staff Present:** Wittwer, Hufford, Gullickson (ECPD)

**Visitors Present:** None

**1. Call to Order & Introduction of Visitors.** Vice chair Francis called the virtual meeting to order at 6:02 pm.

**2. Reading and approval of minutes of the past meetings December 21, 2022.** Committee member Kmetz moved to approve the minutes. Committee member Brouillard 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: 2021 4<sup>th</sup> Quarter Crash Data - ECPD.** Mr. Gullickson with ECPD reviewed 2021 4<sup>th</sup> quarter pedestrian crashes. Three total and all in December. One fatality.

**Item #2: Artistic Crosswalks Discussion.** Wittwer presented that some municipalities have community members submit ideas and cover costs and up to 2 years of maintenance. Some communities use grants. Mural project group may collaborate. Hufford shared policies from Milwaukee and Madison and examples from different communities. Discussed non-evasive/temporary projects. Role in advocating for and is there any data supporting safety of projects. Discussed submitting example policies to council and data regarding impact. What BPAC role would be. Wittwer suggested creating a sub-committee to work on policy to bring back to the group. Francis volunteered to help research. Staff will bring policies back to group. Discussed insurance requirements in other communities. Is BPAC budget allowed to be used as grants for projects? Staff will research. Can CIP be used in the future? Create fact sheet of resources: average pricing, insurance providers, etc. Possible project for UWEC.

**Item #3: Cannery District Park Amenities.** Wittwer asked to push conversation to February as another meeting is occurring this week that will clarify the project and design should be ready for February meeting.

## **5. Other Business Agenda Items**

**Item #1: Snow Removal – Public Stairs.** Wittwer explained stairs in public right of way are done by City staff as sidewalk or trail section gets done. Dobson asked about specific location on State street that was not cleaned last year. Francis indicated the location is still an issue this year.

**Item #2: WisDOT Intersection Improvements.** Wittwer explained WisDOT is working on some projects where pedestrian ramps are being added or improved. How does City/BPAC work with state on these issues, is there a process? Wittwer explained process with development/project (Traffic Impact Analysis), but unsure of community input process outside of developments/projects. Wittwer will research.

## **6. Discussion and Direction**

**A. Safety Concerns.** None

**B. Future Agenda Items.**

- Cannery Park Amenities
- Artistic Crosswalk (Creative round-a-bouts)
- Surveys, all members share and discussion about surveys and process is needed
- WCWRPC Further Study Areas draft plan (may have final by February meeting)
- Update on High Bridge. Railing and pier damage reported. Funds approved.

**C. Announcements.** None.

**7. Adjournment.** The meeting was adjourned at 6:55 p.m. by vice chair Francis.

Submitted by:



JJ Henricksen, Secretary