

Bicycle and Pedestrian Advisory Committee

2018 Work Plan

What	Anticipated Outcome, Product or Result	Idea Source	Specific Actions	Target Dates	Identified Partners	Point Person	Policy Directives
<i>Carry-over work from 2017</i>							
<p>1. Update of Bicycle and Pedestrian Plan. The current Bicycle and Pedestrian Plan was adopted in 2010. The Committee held several public open houses to gather input and requested input with a posting on the City's website during the fall of 2017. A preliminary draft of the revised routes has been completed and the Committee continues to discuss updates to the narrative portion of the plan. Plan Commission review of the update in early 2018 is anticipated.</p>	Adoption of updated plan by City Council	Comprehensive Plan	Review existing plan, review public input, and draft updates	April, 2018	West Central Regional Plan Commission, Plan Commission	Senior Planner	Comprehensive Plan
<p>2. Crosswalk Policy. The City Engineering Department formed a taskforce to provide input on developing a city-wide crosswalk policy. The policy will provide standards regarding where crosswalks should be installed and the design options for the crosswalks. Work on the project did not move forward in 2017 due to other work projects, but there is still a need to develop a the policy and completion in 2018 is anticipated. A BPAC representative serves on the taskforce.</p>	Adoption of policy by Engineering Department	Engineering Department	Provide input to Engineering Department at periodic meetings	Fall, 2018	Transit, UWEC, Streets, WCRPC, School District	Transportation Engineer	<i>Trans. Chapter - Comp. Plan - pg 3-27, policy 5</i>
<p>3. Bicycle Corral. The City placed a bicycle corral along Water Street in 2017 in coordination with the Water Street BID as a trial project. Alternate locations will be considered for trial in 2018. BPAC members will provide input on alternative locations.</p>	Installation of bicycle corral	Bicycle and Pedestrian Plan	Discussion at regular meeting to review alterative sites	Spring, 2018	Water Street and Downton BIDs, DECI	Transportation Engineer	<i>Bike/Ped Plan - pg 37-rec 3, pg 39-rec 6, pg 39 – rec 8</i>
<p>4. Bicycle Friendly Business Peer Network Program. This is a program that encourages businesses to promote employee bicycling and provides local recognition for such efforts. The Committee will continue to make contacts to encourage participation in the program.</p>	Participation of at least one business	Bicycle and Pedestrian Committee	Chairperson meeting with potentially interested businesses	Through-out 2018	DECI	Chair of BPAC	<i>Bike/Ped Plan - pg 39-rec 8</i>
<p>5. Bicycle Share. Continue to gather information about the feasibility of a bicycle share program in the community. The Committee has facilitated meetings with groups potentially interested in the implementation of such a program. There continues to be interest in the concept and organizations such as the University wish to continue meeting to discuss the feasibility of such a program. BPAC's role would be to encourage this continued dialog among interested groups.</p>	Assess feasibility of program, identify partners	City Strategic Plan and Bicycle and Pedestrian Plan	Encourage/schedule meetings to discuss	Fall, 2018	UWEC, DECI, Visit Eau Claire, West Central Regional Planning Commission	Chair of BPAC, Transportation Engineer, Senior Planner	<i>City Strategic Plan-Obj. 5c, Bike/Ped Plan - pg 39-rec 8</i>
<p>6. Complete Streets Policy. The Bicycle and Pedestrian Plan recommends that the City discuss the feasibility of implementing a Complete Streets policy. BPAC plans to discuss this topic and forward recommendations to the Engineering Department and City Manager.</p>	Prepare recommendation to Engineering Dept. and City Manager	City Strategic Plan and Bicycle and Pedestrian Plan	Research other communities, have discussions with Engineering Dept.	May, 2018	Engineering Dept.	Transportation Engineer	<i>Trans. Chapter - Comp. Plan - pg 3-30, policy 1, Bike/Ped Plan - pg 40-rec 10</i>

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On-going or recurring work							
<p>1. Community Education. Each year the Committee has been actively involved in educational efforts to promote an enthusiasm and excitement for walking and bicycling in the community. The Committee plans to continue this work with a variety of activities and programs in 2018. Examples include: co-sponsoring bike to work week activities, assisting in updates and distribution of the Chippewa Valley bicycle map, education of pedestrian rights and awareness, sponsoring a booth at one or more of the summer/fall festivals, assisting in staffing the bike valet program for the Thursday evening summer concerts, co-sponsoring a bicycle ride(s), exploring the feasibility of organizing a street closing “ciclovía” event for pedestrians and bicyclists, and attending meetings of the Healthy Communities action team organization related to healthy and active living. Committee members volunteer their time for these activities.</p>	<p>Increased interest in bicycling for recreation and transportation with benefits relating to improved health, reduction traffic congestion, reduction in energy use, and less dependence on motorized vehicles.</p>	<p>Bicycle and Pedestrian Plan</p>	<p>Volunteer activities of the individual members of BPAC</p>	<p>Through-out 2018</p>	<p>DECI, Volume One, Sustainability Advisory Committee, Eau Claire Police Department</p>	<p>Membership of BPAC, Senior Planner</p>	<p><i>Bike/Ped Plan - pg 36-rec 1, pg 39-rec 8, pg 39-rec 6, pg 39-rec 7, pg 42 – rec 4</i></p>
<p>2. Input on projects, topics, and issues. Respond to inquiries from staff relating to projects involving either designated bicycle routes, sidewalk gap areas, identified conflict areas, or areas identified for further study in the Bicycle and Pedestrian Plan as well provide input involving bicycle and pedestrian related topics or issues that may exist in the community.</p>	<p>Input/direction to assist City staff</p>	<p>City Strategic Plan and Bicycle and Pedestrian Plan</p>	<p>Provide input to Engineering Department</p>	<p>Through-out 2018</p>	<p>Police Department, DECI, Neighborhood Associations, etc.</p>	<p>Transportation Engineer</p>	<p><i>City Strategic Plan-Obj. 5c, Bike/Ped Plan - pg 29-rec 8, pg 32-rec 11, pg 35-rec 18</i></p>
New or Potential Projects							
<p>1. Walk Your City Program. This is national program that encourages pedestrian-oriented wayfinding signage. The Eau Claire Healthy Communities Taskforce wishes to explore the feasibility of implementing such a program within the Downtown area.</p>	<p>Wayfinding system to encourage walking for recreation and commuting within the Downtown area.</p>	<p>West Central Regional Planning Commission, Healthy Communities Taskforce</p>	<p>Develop wayfinding signage</p>	<p>Fall, 2018</p>	<p>DECI, City Recreation Division, BPAC, WCRPC, Healthy Communities Taskforce</p>	<p>Healthy Communities Taskforce</p>	<p><i>Bike/Ped Plan - pg 36-rec 1, pg 39-rec 8, pg 39-rec 6, pg 39-rec 7, pg 42 – rec 4</i></p>
<p>2. Biking/Walking Into History. The Chippewa Valley Museum received a Hometown Health Grant from Mayo Hospital to organize four bicycle or walking tours, each having a differing theme related to history.</p>	<p>Four theme-orientated routes for bicycling or walking. Brochures for each route.</p>	<p>Chippewa Valley Museum</p>	<p>Develop bicycling and walking routes</p>	<p>Summer, 2018</p>	<p>BPAC, DECI, Landmarks Commission</p>	<p>Chippewa Valley Museum</p>	<p><i>Bike/Ped Plan - pg 36-rec 1, pg 39-rec 8, pg 39-rec 6, pg 39-rec 7, pg 42 – rec 4</i></p>
<p>3. Walkability Action Institute Workshop. The Walkability Action Institute is sponsoring a grant program that would send a team of people from the metro area to a workshop focusing on pedestrian Advocacy. The team would then prepare an action plan relating to pedestrian issues in the Chippewa Valley.</p>	<p>Action plan to improve pedestrian circulation. (Work is contingent upon receiving grant.)</p>	<p>Walkability Action Institute Grant Program</p>	<p>Attend workshop and prepare action plan.</p>	<p>Fall, 2018</p>	<p>Healthy Communities Taskforce, DECI, City Recreation Division</p>	<p>Healthy Communities Taskforce</p>	<p><i>Bike/Ped Plan - pg 36-rec 1, pg 39-rec 8, pg 39-rec 6, pg 39-rec 7, pg 42 – rec 4</i></p>