

Bicycle and Pedestrian Advisory Committee

2024 Work Plan

What	Anticipated Outcome, Product or Result	Idea Source	Specific Actions	Target Dates	Identified Partners	Point Person	Policy Directives	Original Work Plan Year	Proposed for 2024
Carry-over work from 2023									
1. Bicycle Corral and Parklet Policies. Support staff efforts to improve the policies of permanent encroachment of bicycle corrals and parklets in the street.	Ordinance for the placement of bicycle corrals and parklets in the right-of-way	Bicycle and Pedestrian Plan	Provide policy direction to staff	Early 2024	Water Street and Downtown BIDs, DECI	City Attorney, Transportation Engineer	Bike/Ped Plan - pg 46, rec 22, City Strategic Plan - Goal 2	Before 2016	Gather feedback early 2024, Ordinance drafted 2024
2. Complete Streets Policy. The Bicycle and Pedestrian Plan recommends that the City discuss the feasibility of implementing a Complete Streets policy. This is also one of the goals of the team that attended the Walkability Action Institute Workshop in 2018.	Adoption of policy by the City Council	Bicycle and Pedestrian Plan	Research other communities, have discussions with Engineering Dept.	Adoption in 2025	City/County Health, Engineering, and Community Development Departments	Transportation Engineer, Planner	Trans. Chapter - Comp. Plan - pg 3-30, policy 1, Bike/Ped Plan - pg 53, rec 13, City Strategic Plan - Goal 2	Before 2018	To be updated with the Century Code by consultants Houseal Lavigne for the adoption in 2025
3. Open Street Policy. Research open streets in other communities and provide input to staff. Discuss ideas/topics to promote open streets within the City of Eau Claire.	Adoption of policy by the City Council	Other US Communities	Research other communities, have discussions with Engineering Dept.	Spring, 2024	City Engineering & Planning, Downtown BIDs, DECI	Planner, Transportation Engineer	Bike/Ped Plan - pg 51, rec 8, City Strategic Plan - Goal 2	2022	Ongoing
On-going or recurring work									
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 2022. Examples include: co-sponsoring bike to work week activities, education of pedestrian rights and awareness, sponsoring booths at community events, assisting in staffing the bike valet program, co-sponsoring a bicycle ride(s), attending meetings of the Healthy Communities action team organization related to healthy and active living, considering a more active role with organizations such as WI Active Together and WI Bike Fed, developing a recognition program to highlight efforts to promote healthy lifestyles through walking and bicycling, Kickoff to Bike Week Event, BPAC awards, Walktober, and coordinating with the Wintermission group in the promotion of winter outdoor activities.	Increased interest in bicycling for recreation and transportation with benefits relating to improved health, reduction in traffic congestion, reduction in energy use, and less dependence on motorized vehicles	Bicycle and Pedestrian Plan	Volunteer activities of the individual members of BPAC	Throughout 2024	DECI, Volume One, Sustainability Advisory Committee, City/County Health Department, Wintermission, Police Dept.	Membership of BPAC, Planner	Bike/Ped Plan - pgs 48 - 54, City Strategic Plan - Goals 2, 4, & 6	Original	Ongoing
2. Input on projects, topics, and issues. Respond to inquiries from staff relating to items such as: street construction along designated bicycle routes, sidewalk gap areas, areas identified for further bicycle/pedestrian study, bicycle parking at City facilities and special events, and other bicycle/pedestrian related topics or issues that may arise.	Input/direction to assist City staff	Bicycle and Pedestrian Plan	Provide input to Engineering, Police, and Community Devel. Departments	Throughout 2024	Police Department, DECI, Neighborhood Associations, etc.	Transportation Engineer, Planner	City Strategic Plan - Obj. 5c, Bike/Ped Plan - pg 34, rec 1, City Strategic Plan - Goals 2, 4, & 6	Original	Ongoing
3. Discuss Mobility Trends. Have periodic discussions about trends in pedestrian and bicycle mobility relating to such topics as: new and innovative technologies, demographic changes, State and national issues and trends, integration with transit, changes in legislation, potential partnerships, and feasibility and benefits of creating a future community mobility partnership coordinator.	Provide direction regarding possible partnerships with other organizations, providing input on policy or ordinance updates	Bicycle and Pedestrian Plan	Discussion with BPAC and other interested organizations, research current trends, etc.	Semi-annually in 2024	Eau Claire School District, WCRPC, Healthy Community Taskforce, Transit	Chair of BPAC	Bike/Ped Plan - pg 49, rec 4, pg 51, rec 8, pg 52, rec 10, pg 57, rec 9, City Strategic Plan - Goals 2 & 4	2019	Ongoing

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3. Bicycle Friendly Community Designation. Submit an application for renewal of the Bicycle Friendly Community status with the League of American Bicyclists. The City currently holds bronze status with an application submitted in 2019.	Silver status designation	Bicycle and Pedestrian Plan	Prepare and submit application	August, 2024	UWEC, WCRPC, Health Dept.	Planner, Members of BPAC	<i>Bike/Ped Plan - pg 50, rec 5</i>	2019	Ongoing
4. Pedestrian Assessment Questionnaire Process. Analyze results from the questionnaire to obtain information relating to pedestrian needs and issues within the community.	Questionnaire to obtain community input	Bicycle and Pedestrian Plan	Review results of the questionnaire	Throughout 2023	Health Dept., Transportation Engineer	Planner	<i>Bike/Ped Plan - pg 52, rec 11, City Strategic Plan - Goals 2 & 4</i>	2020	Ongoing
Future Projects/Funding stage									
Digital Wayfinding Map. Research ways to create a digital wayfinding map specifically for bicyclists and pedestrians to use infrastructure such as trails, bike lanes, sidewalks, etc. to maneuver through the City safely.	Functional map for users to safely travel through Eau Claire	Bicycle and Pedestrian Advisory Committee	Research ideas, communicate with other stakeholders	Unknown	WCWRPC, City Engineering & Planning, BPAC	Planner, Members of BPAC	<i>Bike/Ped Plan - pg 48, rec 1</i>	2023	Postponed until bike map redo
Comprehensively Address Downtown Study Area. The Bicycle & Pedestrian Plan lists multiple study areas in the downtown area that include arterial corridors such as Madison St, Farwell St, Washington St, and Harding Ave, and other streets like Galloway St, Dewey St, Barstow St, and Graham Ave. Motor vehicle traffic, bicycle/pedestrian access and safety, mass transit, and trails need to be considered comprehensively in the downtown area to break down barriers to connectivity, increase safety and enjoyment, and improve business district and public space vibrancy. To explore the possibility of undertaking a Comprehensive Downtown Multimodal Transportation Plan, the City Council requests BPAC input on the potential scope of a future plan, and how it could directly address the downtown study areas. Such a plan could also help implement other BPAC goals in the Work Plan, such as Bicycle Corral and Parklet Policies, Complete Streets Policy, and Open Street Policy. To discuss this topic, City Council requests a joint study session with BPAC representatives and City staff by Summer 2023.	Help the city explore the potential creation of a Comprehensive Downtown Multimodal Transportation Plan	City Council	Provide input to Engineering, Community Development, DECI, City Council	Unknown	Engineering, Community Development, DECI, Downtown BIDs, Library, WCWRPC	Transportation Engineer, Planner	<i>Bike/Ped Plan pages 59-64, Study Areas 5-8, & 12 City Strategic Plan – Goals 1, 2, & 4</i>	2023	Secure funding/incorporate in comprehensive plan