

### BICYCLE PEDESTRIAN ADVISORY COMMITTEE

March 1, 2017 10:00 a.m. 2208 W. Chesterfield Boulevard, Suite 101, Springfield, MO

### MEMBERS PRESENT

Dawne Gardner Rachael Garrett David Hutchison Tom Johnson Joel Keller Jeremy Parsons Terry Whaley

### **GUESTS PRESENT**

Paul Wojciechowski

### STAFF PRESENT

Sara Fields Natasha Longpine Andy Thomason

## WELCOME AND INTRODUCTIONS

The meeting was called to order at 10:03 am.

# 1. MINUTES

Terry Whaley moved to approve the February 1, 2017 Meeting Minutes and David Hutchison seconded. The motion passed unanimously.

### 2. LET'S GO SMART WEBSITE UPDATE

Ms. Longpine provided an update on the Let's Go Smart Website. She shared that the graphics company had the revised site map and would start working on content. It was reported that the City of Springfield is revising their website as well.

Ms. Longpine also provided a final copy of the Bicycle/Pedestrian Plan Report.

## 3. TRAIL INVESTMENT STUDY

This March meeting was a kick-off meeting for the Trail Investment Study. Mr. Wojciechowski shared the draft public participation plan. He also mentioned he is working on a study charter



which is the document that outlines everyone's commitments. He said that he plans for bi-weekly calls with OTO.

The sub-contracts are out and those will cover the initial data collection tasks. Property ownership will be first and the PEL information should be readily available. The idea of being prepared for opportunities to buy land or build when needed was discussed. A key issue to address is the estimation of right-of-way costs.

Mr. Parsons mentioned that Ozark is looking to not just require easements from developers, but trail construction as well.

The next item of discussion was about trail design standards. Ozark Greenways has draft standards, but they are not perfect. Ten-foot is the desired minimum. They do resemble AASHTO's standards.

The public workshops were then scheduled. The first set in April ( $19^{th}$  and  $20^{th}$ ) and the second in June ( $21^{st}$  and  $22^{nd}$ ). OTO will help with the venue, north and south. These meetings will be held when the project is part of the way through the preferred alignment steps and determination of ownership.

There were a number of tasks for both Alta and OTO out of the discussions. Alta will have the study charter completed by March 3 and will provide agendas before the BPAC meetings. Alta will also generate a data request memo by March 3. To facilitate data collection a folder will be created in Box for data. The online map will be developed as well.

OTO committed to providing contacts to Alta and will host a BPAC meeting the first meeting of every month during the study. Staff will see if Assessor data can be shared. Ozark Greenways will provide draft trail standards and a copy of the Greene County Destination Plan. Springfield will provide Trail Plan 2040 (includes a 2-4 page description for each trail), the most recent map of proposed trails, and the Person Powered Mobility Plan Vision.

### 4. ADJOURN

A separate discussion took place about Ozark hosting a Trails 101 event. Mr. Parsons would like Ozark Greenways to help bring together people in Ozark to learn about the positive impacts of trails. Mr. Whaley said he would work with Ozark on this. He thought the discussion could be framed regionally covering other trails such as Rock Island, Katy, and the Frisco Highline and how these relate to the efforts of the Chadwick Flyer trail.

Mr. Whaley mentioned that the Missouri Department of Natural Resources is looking for a reviewer to sit on the Recreational Trails Program grant committee. Dawne Gardner indicated she would consider it if no one else could be found. Mr. Whaley added that Ozark Greenways had submitted an application. Republic said that they had also.

There was also discussion that Missouri Livable Streets was getting active again.

The meeting was adjourned at 11:43 am with a motion by Rachael Garrett and a second by Tom Johnson.

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