



Ozarks Transportation Organization

Bicycle-Pedestrian Advisory Committee

Meeting Notes

July 9, 2024

1:00 pm

2208 W. Chesterfield Boulevard, Suite 101, Springfield, MO 65807

Attendees: Sara Fields, Scott Godbey, Brad Kelley, David Knaut, Natasha Longpine, John Matthews, Frank Miller, John Montgomery, Grady Porter, Mike Ruesch, Aishwarya Shrestha, Trenton Sims, Jen Thomas, and Andy Thomason

- I. **Welcome** – The meeting was called to order at 1:01 pm.
- II. **Meeting Notes from May 14, 2024 BPAC Meeting** – Grady Porter, seconded by Andy Thomason, made a motion to approve the May 14, 2024 meeting notes. The motion passed.
- III. **CY 2023 Implementation Report** – OTO staff reviewed the calendar year (CY) 2023 Implementation Report. Staff noted that CY 2023 has been a successful year for improving bicycle and pedestrian infrastructure in the region with around 4.4 miles of multi-use trails and 9.6 miles of sidewalk being constructed and an additional 5 miles of multi-use trails receiving funding. Mike Ruesch, seconded by Andy Thomason, made a motion to accept the CY 2023 Implementation Report. The motion passed.
- IV. **Regional Trail Planning Updates** – John Montgomery from Ozark Greenways (OG) gave an update on regional trail planning and outreach activities, including the progress on the Chadwick Flyer trail in Ozark, the request for qualification (RFQ) for engineering of the Chadwick Flyer trail between Kissick Ave and Sunshine St, updates on the future use for the 3/4 cent sales tax in Springfield for additional trail maintenance funding, the award of \$24.8 million from the RAISE program for the City of Springfield’s Ungap the Map project, a summary of Bike, Walk & Wheel week, upcoming work on the Frisco Mural and new work focus of the OG TAC subcommittee.
- V. **2024 Trail and Sidewalk Call for Projects** – OTO staff went over the new online application for the Call for Projects, which was published on July 1st, 2024 and explained how the scoring of applications will work.
- VI. **Project Updates** - OTO staff provided an update on regional trail and sidewalk projects that have been awarded funding. Two project sponsors requested an one-time extension for their project schedule. Discussion was also held regarding the timeline of the Ungap the map project and OTO staff informed the BPAC about a regional trail application through the Active Transportation Infrastructure Investment Program (ATIIP).
- VII. **Next Meeting – August 6, 2024**
- VIII. **Adjourn** –The meeting adjourned at 2:03 pm.