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Northwest Municipal Conference Bicycle-Pedestrian Committee Agenda

Tuesday, January 14, 2025
10:30 a.m.

NWMC Offices or via Video Conference

Join Zoom Meeting

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/87092257486>

Meeting ID: 870 9225 7486

Passcode: 127316

- I. **Call to Order/Introductions**
- II. **Approval of December 10, 2024 Meeting Minutes (Attachment A)**
Action Requested: Approve Minutes
- III. **Winter Bike-Ped Infrastructure Maintenance**
Staff will present findings from NWMC surveys regarding contractual snow plowing and sidewalk snow removal. Additionally, staff will facilitate a discussion on the successes and challenges municipalities encounter when addressing winter weather impacts on bike and ped infrastructure and highlight a recent [Federal Highway Administration guide on maintenance best practices](#).
Action Requested: Informational/Discussion
- IV. **Local Project Updates**
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- V. **Other Business**
- VI. **Next Meeting**
The next meeting of the NWMC Bicycle and Pedestrian Committee is scheduled for Tuesday, February 11, 2025 at 10:30 a.m. in person at the NWMC offices or virtually via Zoom.
- VII. **Adjourn**

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Members Present

A.C. Buehler, Interim Chair, Village of Northbrook
Adriana Webb, Village of Glenview
Caroline Tittle, Village of Elk Grove Village
Phil Green, Village of Hoffman Estates
Scott Mangum, Village of Lincolnwood
Luke Foresman, Village of Mount Prospect
Nathan Bruemmer, Village of Niles
Larry Schroth, Village of Palatine
Mayor Lara Sanoica, City of Rolling Meadows
Erik Sanchez, Village of Skokie
Scott Nielsen, Village of Streamwood
Ross Klicker, Village of Wheeling

Others Present

Aldair Vargas, Village of Arlington Heights
Andrew Barna, Village of Bartlett
Sarah D. FioRito, City of Evanston
Laura Ditanto, Village of Libertyville
Matt Lawrie, Village of Mount Prospect
Aram Beladi, Village of Northfield
Jaemi Jackson, CMAP
Eric Czarnota, Northwest Municipal Conference
Brian Larson, Northwest Municipal Conference

I. Call to Order/Introductions

Mr. Buehler, standing in for Trustee Porter, called the meeting to order at 10:30 a.m.

II. Approval of November 12, 2024 Meeting Minutes

Mayor Sanoica moved approval of the November 12, 2024 meeting minutes. Mr. Mangum seconded the motion, which was unanimously approved.

III. ADA Accessibility in Mobility Projects

Ms. Jackson, CMAP's Accessible Communities Program Manager, presented an overview of how ADA Title II requirements apply to community mobility projects and shared [CMAP's compliance templates](#) that communities can immediately use and implement to ensure ADA accessibility.

Ms. Jackson noted that IDOT has adopted the Public Right of Way Accessibility Guidance (PROWAG) already adopted by the US Department of Transportation and Department of Justice, which means PROWAG will be the required process for future projects. She added that CMAP's ADA Transition Plan technical assistance program is seeing increased interest, with the first cohort consisting of 7 applications with all applications awarded, and the most recent cohort with 15 applications and 5 awarded projects. Ms. Jackson shared that CMAP worked with the University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign on a cost-benefit analysis of accessibility efforts, noting that there was not a noticeable economic increase associated with increased accessibility, but that communities which had adopted ADA transition plans saw higher levels of accessibility.

Ms. Jackson highlighted upcoming regional outreach efforts, including a Coalition for Universal Design and Accessibility, and the Regional ADA Coordinator peer group, which will next meet Tuesday, February 11. She added that the recently closed CMAP Municipal Survey will provide information on regional compliance, allowing CMAP to better target its project evaluation criteria and award system.

Mr. Buehler thanked Ms. Jackson, especially for the opening visuals that highlight the accessibility difficulties encountered by residents throughout the region.

IV. Local Project Updates

No local project updates.

V. Other Business

Mr. Larson noted that the application deadline for CMAQ, TAP, and STP-Shared grants closes on December 13, and requested communities to get their applications in promptly to ensure sufficient review and response time from Mr. Larson and Mr. Czarnota.

Mr. Buehler wished everyone a happy holiday season.

VI. Next Meeting

Mr. Buehler announced that the next meeting of the NWMC Bicycle and Pedestrian Committee is scheduled for Tuesday, January 14, 2025 at 10:30 a.m. in person at the NWMC offices or virtually via Zoom.

VII. Adjourn

Mr. Schroth moved to adjourn the meeting at 10:53 a.m. Mr. Mangum seconded the motion, which was unanimously approved.