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Northwest Municipal Conference Bicycle-Pedestrian Committee Agenda

August 11, 2020

10:30 a.m.

Via Zoom Video Conference

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/81967658456?pwd=SFZNc21DZm5PN25oTjhGWFN3NDZGdz09>

- I. **Call to Order/Introductions**
- II. **Approval of May 19, 2020 Meeting Minutes (Attachment A)**
Action Requested: Approve of Minutes
- III. **Road Diet Presentation**
Derek Peebles and Mike Hankey will each present local examples of road diet projects in Des Plaines and Hoffman Estates.
Action Requested: Informational/Discussion
- IV. **Potential Field Trip Ideas**
Staff will discuss options for a potential summer/fall field trip and solicit preferences from the Committee.
Action Requested: Discussion
- V. **Local Project/Multimodal Plan Updates**
Action Requested: Informational/Discussion
- VI. **Local Responses to COVID-19**
Action Requested: Informational/Discussion
- VII. **Other Business**
- VIII. **Next Meeting**
The next meeting of the NWMC Bicycle and Pedestrian Committee is scheduled for Tuesday, September 22, 2020 at 10:30 a.m. via video conference.
- IX. **Adjourn**

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**Northwest Municipal Conference
Bicycle-Pedestrian Committee
Tuesday, May 19, 2020
Meeting Minutes**

Attendance:

Derek Peebles, City of Des Plaines (co-chair)
Andrew Binder, Village of Barrington
Jessica Hyink, City of Evanston
Scott Mangum, City of Evanston
Laura Linehan, Village of Fox Lake
Adriana Webb, Village of Glenview
Tim O'Brien, Village of Niles
A.C. Buehler, Northbrook Resident
Ald. Lara Sanoica, City of Rolling Meadows
Patrick Knapp, Village of Schaumburg
Marcy Knysz, Village of Wheeling
Danielle Horn, Village of Wilmette

Others Present:

Dave Simmons, Ride Illinois
Matt Weiss, Resident, Village of Mount Prospect
Larry Bury, Northwest Municipal Conference
Kendra Johnson, Northwest Municipal Conference
Matt Pasquini, Northwest Municipal Conference

I. Call to Order/Introductions

Mr. Peebles called the meeting to order at 10:34 a.m. and Ms. Johnson read the names of those present.

II. Approval of April 21, 2020 Meeting Minutes

Ms. Linehan moved approval of the April 21, 2020 meeting minutes. Mr. Knapp seconded the motion, which was unanimously approved.

III. Local Project Updates

Ms. Hyink updated the committee on the last leg of the City of Evanston's Church Street connection project, which is beginning the Phase I engineering process.

Mr. Peebles asked the Committee for feedback regarding Active Transportation Alliance's appeal to local communities as to whether they would be implementing "slow streets" strategies. Mr. Peebles reported that the City of Des Plaines did not have plans for "slow streets" in their community as car traffic was low enough to accommodate increased bicycle and pedestrian travel. Mr. Buehler concurred, and Mr. Simmons added that he had contacted Carlos Feliciano at IDOT to see what other communities across the state were doing along these lines. Mr. Mangum reported

that the City of Evanston was just beginning to have conversations regarding slow streets strategies.

IV. Potential Field Trip Ideas

Ms. Johnson discussed several options for field trips and whether it would be feasible to include a multimodal plan rollout element as part of the field trip or if it should be kept separate. The Committee discussed pros and cons of each option and determined to table field trip plans until more can be determined as to what public health guidelines will be in place in late summer/early fall. Mr. Simmons noted that the Cook County Forest Preserves was planning to hold an event later this summer and asked whether that could be a good event for multimodal plan exposure.

V. Proposed FY 2021 Meeting Dates

Mr. Buehler moved approval of the proposed meeting dates. Alderman Sanoica seconded the motion, which was unanimously approved.

VI. Other Business

Alderman Sanoica noted that the City of Rolling Meadows is working to identify flooded streets and sidewalks during major storm events by asking residents to send in pictures to affected areas. These are then incorporated into their capital improvement planning when determining priority projects and making sure that bicycle and pedestrian facilities are taken into account when determining flooding improvements. She asked the Committee if others had similar strategies to address flooding in their communities. Mr. Peebles responded that the City of Des Plaines keeps track of roadways that are closed, but traditionally not of sidewalks and bike paths. Alderman Sanoica added that she would update the Committee on the strategy at the next meeting.

Mr. Simmons reported that Ride Illinois had been fielding questions regarding safe cycling during the pandemic and in response, had developed a set of guidelines that were in line with Governor *Pritzker's Restore Illinois* plan. He told the Committee he would send the guidelines to NWMC staff to be distributed to the group.

VII. Next Meeting

Mr. Peebles noted that the next meeting of the NWMC Bicycle and Pedestrian is scheduled for Tuesday, August 11, 2020 at 10:30 a.m.

VIII. Adjourn

Alderman Sanoica moved adjournment of the meeting at 11:14 a.m. Mr. Buehler seconded the motion, which was unanimously approved.