



City of Madison

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Meeting Minutes - Approved PEDESTRIAN/BICYCLE/MOTOR VEHICLE COMMISSION

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Tuesday, November 23, 2010

5:00 PM

Meets the 4th Tuesday of the month;
215 Martin Luther King, Jr. Blvd.
Room 260 (Madison Municipal Building)
(After 6 pm, use Doty St. entrance.)

CALL TO ORDER / ROLL CALL

The meeting was called to order at 5:02 p.m.

Present: 6 -

Ron J. Prince; Susan M. De Vos; Aaron S. P. Crandall; Paul E. Skidmore;
Robbie Webber and Robert M. Holloway

Excused: 5 -

Judy Compton; Bryon A. Eagon; Judy Bowser; Charles W. Strawser III and
Bridget R. Maniaci

A. APPROVAL OF MINUTES - October 26, 2010

A motion was made by Holloway, seconded by Skidmore, to Approve the Minutes. The motion passed by voice vote/other. De Vos abstained from the vote.

B. PUBLIC COMMENT - None

C. DISCLOSURES AND RECUSALS - None

D. MADISON POLICE DEPARTMENT REPORT ON TRAFFIC RELATED ISSUES

D.1. [20603](#)

Madison Police Department Traffic Reports, third quarter 2010

Lieutenant Bitterman from the Madison Police Department provided the third quarter 2010 traffic reports. The Madison Police Department issued 6,875 citations in the third quarter of 2010, approximately the same number of citations issued compared to the third quarter last year. Tickets for hazardous offenses decreased slightly, while the number of citations issued for non-hazardous offenses increased.

1,930 citations were issued by the TEST Team, a 7% increase from last year. There was a significant increase in the number of citations issued for failure to yield to pedestrians, mainly due to an increase in grant funding for pedestrian initiatives. There was also a 133% increase in wrong way violations compared with last year. Alder Skidmore asked if there was a reduction in the number of accidents as a result of this enforcement. Bitterman does not have the information now, but will provide Skidmore with that information. 287 warning

letters and 18 citations for violations observed by crossing guards in Madison school zones were issued.

There were four significant traffic crashes resulting in the death of two people and serious injury of two others. Alcohol was involved in one of them. Holloway asked if there was anything environmentally that could have been changed to prevent these accidents. Bitterman stated that environmental conditions did not seem to be a factor in these instances.

E. DISCUSSION ITEMS

E.1. [20614](#) Discussion on the Downtown Plan Overview & Draft Recommendations

Michael Waidelich and Rebecca Cnare presented on the Overview & Draft Recommendations for the Downtown Plan. There have been four large public meetings to discuss ideas, and the most recent meeting was in September in which draft recommendations were presented.

Cnare presented an overview of the three main transportation related items:

Improving or creating lake front paths including linking the area between James Madison and Memorial Union Terrace, creating another pedestrian crossing at John Nolen Drive, and adding sidewalks where there are currently none.

Development of a new transportation center near Monona Terrace.

Connections and moving around - recommendations include making better connections for bicyclists, especially on one-way streets to make it easier for bikes to travel. Improving the outer loop for pedestrians by improving aesthetics and providing amenities, creating a wayfinding system for all modes of transportation to make it easier to get around downtown, and completing a comprehensive and detailed transportation study for the downtown area.

Comments can be submitted to www.cityofmadison.com/downtownplan.

F. NEW BUSINESS

F.1. [20239](#) Substitute Resolution: Providing the Wisconsin Department of Transportation with the City of Madison's comments on the Supplemental Draft Environmental Impact Statement (SDEIS) for the Verona Road/USH 18/151 Project.

Registrant: Mary Mullen, 4337 Milford Rd, 53711 spoke and provided written comments (attached) regarding the Verona Road project. A motion was made by Skidmore, seconded by Prince, to Return to Lead to approve with the Following Recommendation(s): A transit corridor easement be added to the project for future use for bus or light rail, that the City opposes the creation of the Carling Drive extension, that the City support option B to keep the frontage road closer to the Beltline, to recommend that air quality monitoring be done in phase one, and add a grade separated pedestrian crossing between the Southwest path and Nakoma Road. The motion passed by voice vote/other.

F.2. [20415](#) Determining a Public Purpose and Necessity and adopting Transportation Project

Plat No. 5420-03-21-4.01 Amendment No. 1 - Relocation Order STH 113- (First Street to Knutson Drive) City of Madison for the acquisition of Plat of Land Interests required for the STH 113- (First Street to Knutson Drive) Engineering Project No. 53W0321 and authorizing the Mayor and City Clerk to execute all necessary documents relative to the acquisition of the necessary real estate interests to perform the improvements for STH 113- (First Street to Knutson Drive), WDOT Right-of-Way Transportation Project Plat No. 5420-03-21-4.01 Amendment No. 1.

A motion was made by Skidmore, seconded by Prince, to Return to Lead with the Recommendation for Approval to the BOARD OF PUBLIC WORKS. The motion passed by voice vote/other.

- F.3. [20279](#) Creating Section 12.1332(67) of the Madison General Ordinances to prohibit parking except for common motor carriers on a segment of the north side and south side of Balsam Road.

A motion was made by Holloway, seconded by Prince, to RECOMMEND TO COUNCIL TO ADOPT - REPORT OF OFFICER . The motion passed by voice vote/other. Alder Skidmore abstained from the vote.

- F.4. [20436](#) Determining a Public Purpose and Necessity and adopting a City of Madison Relocation Order for the acquisition of Plat of Land Interests required for the relocation of a portion of the Southwest Commuter Trail Bike Path between West Washington Avenue and East Campus Mall in connection with the future renovation and expansion of the University's Charter Street Heating Plant

And

Authorizing the Mayor and City Clerk to Enter into an Agreement with the University of Wisconsin-Madison for financing costs related to the relocation of a portion of the Southwest Commuter Trail Bike Path between West Washington Avenue and East Campus Mall in connection with the renovation and expansion of the University's Charter Street Heating Plant

A motion was made by Holloway, seconded by Skidmore, to Return to Lead with the Recommendation for Approval to the BOARD OF PUBLIC WORKS. The motion passed by voice vote/other.

G. REPORTS

- G.1. [15487](#) Reports of other Committees/Commissions (verbal reports for information only)

Plan Commission
Long Range Transportation Planning Committee
Joint West Campus Area Committee
Joint Southeast Campus Area Committee

LRTPC discussed the Downtown Plan Overview and Draft Recommendations and discussed the Verona Road project comments.

Strawser provided a written report for the Joint Southeast Area Campus Committee (attached).

H. ANNOUNCEMENTS AND FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

- H.1. General announcements by Executive Secretary

The rectangular rapid flashing beacon is installed at Johnson and 4th Streets by East High School. Holloway stated that he would like Traffic Engineering to consider installing something similar at the intersection of Fairchild and Mifflin.

H.2. General announcements by Chair

There is no PBMVC meeting in December.

H.3. Commission member items for future agendas

Crandall requested a presentation from T.E. staff on the effectiveness of markings on bike blvds and feedback on how the bike boxes are working.

De Vos requested information on the types of markings and signage used at bus stops for a future agenda topic.

Skidmore requested to have a discussion on the intersection of Randall, Monroe, and Regent Streets and requested information on the long term plans for this intersection. Dryer stated that long-term plans have not been developed but that staff could present options for the intersection that could be possible when the road is reconstructed at some point in the future.

ADJOURNMENT

A motion was made by Holloway, seconded by Prince, to Adjourn. The motion passed by voice vote/other. The meeting adjourned at 7:06 p.m.