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Meeting Minutes - Approved PEDESTRIAN/BICYCLE/MOTOR VEHICLE COMMISSION

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Tuesday, June 22, 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 5:01 p.m.

Present: 7 -

Ron J. Prince; Susan M. De Vos; Aaron S. P. Crandall; Paul E. Skidmore;

Judy Bowser; Robbie Webber and Robert M. Holloway

Excused: 4 -

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

Maniaci

A. APPROVAL OF MINUTES - May 25, 2010

De Vos noted that she participated in the vote on item B.1. and asked that the minutes be corrected to reflect this. De Vos also requested that the following sentence be included in the minutes under item H.3. "She specifically referred to the issue of bike boxes, noted that considerable resources were being expended to make them although the PBMVC had never been consulted on the issue, and said the issue was similar to the need for prioritizing resources spent on crossing guards." A motion was made by Bowser, seconded by Crandall, to approve the minutes as corrected. The motion passed by voice vote/other.

Strawser arrived at 5:07 p.m. during item B. A new roll call is shown to reflect this.

Present: 8 -

Ron J. Prince; Susan M. De Vos; Aaron S. P. Crandall; Paul E. Skidmore; Judy Bowser; Robbie Webber; Charles W. Strawser III and Robert M.

Holloway

Excused: 3 -

Judy Compton; Bryon A. Eagon and Bridget R. Maniaci

B. PUBLIC COMMENT

Registrant: Tim Wong, 161 Jackson St, 53704 spoke in support of a future discussion on enforcement of traffic laws for bicycles and motor vehicles. Wong stated support for allowing bicyclists to treat stop lights and signs as yields.

Skidmore moved suspension of rules to allow one additional minute of speaking time, seconded by Bowser. The motion passed by general consent.

C. NEW BUSINESS

Maniaci arrived at 5:19 and Eagon arrived at 5:38 during item C.1. A new roll call is shown to reflect this.

Present: 10 -

Ron J. Prince; Susan M. De Vos; Aaron S. P. Crandall; Bryon A. Eagon; Paul E. Skidmore; Judy Bowser; Robbie Webber; Charles W. Strawser III;

Robert M. Holloway and Bridget R. Maniaci

Excused: 1 -

Judy Compton

C.1. Informational presentation by Erdman Development Group on proposed development at Whitney Way and University

Registrants: Frank C. Miller, 5117 University Ave, 53705 representing Erdman Development Group; Jane Grabowski-Miller, 6720 Frank Lloyd Wright Ave, Middleton, WI representing Erdman Development Group; and Brian Munson 120 East Lakeside, representing Erdman Development Group.

Frank Miller presented the redevelopment proposal to the Commission. The Commission stated concern over the amount of space designated for parking and stated that the number of parking spaces in the proposal seemed high. The Commission also made recommendations for creating stronger pedestrian connections and convenient routes of travel for pedestrians and bicyclists. The general development plan will go to the Common Council for introduction in July.

C.2. Informational presentation on approval process for transportation related projects and which committees and commissions are involved in the process

A motion was made by Strawser III, seconded by Bowser, to refer item C.2. to the July meeting. The motion passed by voice vote/other.

C.3. Approving Plans and Specifications and authorizing the Board of Public Works to advertise and receive bids for Regent Street / Monroe Street Intersection - 2010, Contract No. 6550. (5th, 10th, & 15th ADs)

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

The Commission also suggested that signage or colored pavement be used to alert bicyclists to the crossing at Crazylegs Lane.

Strawser suggested closing or prohibiting motor vehicle use on Crazylegs Lane; several Commission members expressed support and requested it be discussed as a future agenda item of the PBMVC.

C.4. 18916 Plans and specifications for the installation of a bike boulevard bump out at Kendall Avenue and Franklin Avenue (for information only).

The thirty day trial period for the bike boulevard bump-out began. The project should reduce the amount of cut-through traffic, and is supported by the neighborhood and Alder Bidar-Sielaff.

C.5. 18914 Discussion and prioritization of pedestrian/bicycle projects for the 2011-2013 capital

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budget

Commission members will review the packet of public comment on pedestrian/bicycle projects for the 2011-2013 capital budget and compile three to five of their top priorities. Members will discuss priorities as a group after each member has identified their highest priority projects. The PBMVC will discuss and make recommendations on projects at the July meeting.

C.6. 19266

Informational presentation on the criteria for determining crosswalk paint types and painting schedule

Staff provided information on crosswalk paint types and painting schedule.

Bowser left the meeting at 7:15 p.m. A new roll call is shown to reflect this.

Present: 9 -

Ron J. Prince; Susan M. De Vos; Aaron S. P. Crandall; Bryon A. Eagon; Paul E. Skidmore; Robbie Webber; Charles W. Strawser III; Robert M. Holloway and Bridget R. Maniaci

Excused: 2 -

Judy Compton and Judy Bowser

C.7. 19264

Approving Mifflin Street bike boulevard traffic control at Webster & Mifflin and Blair & Mifflin

Registrants: Tim Wong, 161 Jackson, 53704 registered in support of item C.7. and had the following written comments: "Support expansion in the use of bike boulevards (Kendall, West Mifflin, and East Wilson 1100-1300 blocks), and wish to stress that there is more to bike boulevards than putting up signs designating it as (the 1100-1300 blocks) as such. Give bikes priority over cross-street traffic (all the way from Blair to at least Thornton). Also I urge installing a counterflow bike lane in the 100 East block of Mifflin. Also I think HAWK signal is more needed at Blair & Main than at Blair & Mifflin." Dan Ross, 125 N Hamilton St #602, 53703 registered and spoke in support of item C.7.

A traffic signal will be installed at Mifflin and Webster. A HAWK (high-intensity activated crosswalk) signal will be installed at Mifflin and Blair. The HAWK signal can be activated by a pedestrian to stop traffic and allow the pedestrian to cross. The signal remains dark, except when a pedestrian presses the button to cross.

The Commission also emphasized the need to educate the public on how the new signals operate and the meaning of the signal sequences, since this type of signal is new and will be unfamiliar to most people.

A motion was made by Maniaci, seconded by Strawser III, to approve. The motion passed by voice vote/other.

D. REPORTS

D.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 Plan Commission: Bowser stated that the Plan Commission reviewed the MATC master plan and suggested that the PBMVC review the plan.

LRTPC: DOT provided an update on the train station, timeline, and public involvement. LRTPC discussed Transportation Demand Management plans.

Joint West Campus Area Committee: The Charter Street Plant and Wisconsin Energy Institute were discussed.

Joint Southeast Campus Area Committee: The City has implemented a trial removal of parking on one side of Charter Street to provide for a contraflow lane for bicyclists to travel southbound on Charter Street.

E. ANNOUNCEMENTS AND FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

- E.1. General announcements by Executive Secretary
- E.2. General announcements by Chair

DOT has two separate processes for the rail station and the rail corridor managment. The DOT website has contact information for questions on their website.

Webber clarified that appointments to other committees from the PBMVC run concurrent with the term to PBMVC. Appointments are made by the Mayor.

De Vos stated that Metro is making a video on safety on buses that may also be of interest to bicyclists.

- E.3. Commission member items for future agendas
 - Priority and appropriateness of enforcement of traffic laws in regard to pedestrian, bicycle, and motor vehicle movements.
 - Information from Police Department on the training they receive on traffic laws as they relate to bicyclists.
 - Crandall requested an informational presentation to update the PBMVC on public feedback and effectiveness of the recently installed bike boxes.
 - Update on Platinum Report initiatives that various departments are currently working on and future projects planned.

ADJOURNMENT

A motion was made by Crandall, seconded by Maniaci, to Adjourn. The motion passed by voice vote/other. The meeting adjourned at 7:45 p.m.

<u>15495</u> Informational Enclosures