



# City of Madison

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## Meeting Minutes - Approved PEDESTRIAN/BICYCLE/MOTOR VEHICLE COMMISSION

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Tuesday, March 25, 2014

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.)

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### CALL TO ORDER / ROLL CALL

The meeting was called to order at 5:06 p.m.

**Present:** 9 -

Marsha A. Rummel; Michael W. Rewey; Robbie Webber; Aaron S. P. Crandall; Ronald B. Steinhofner; Lydia S. Maurer; Susan M. De Vos; Scott A. Kolar and Sarah (Sally) A. Lehner

**Excused:** 2 -

John Strasser and Maurice S. Cheeks

### A. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

A motion was made by Rewey, seconded by Rummel, to Approve the Minutes. The motion passed by voice vote/other. De Vos stated that she was not present at the January 28, 2014 meeting and abstained from the vote.

### B. PUBLIC COMMENT

Registrants: Grant Foster, Anchor Drive, Madison, WI, registered and spoke to the Commission to request that they discuss winter maintenance of on-street bike lanes at a future meeting. Foster stated that he has reviewed the City of Madison snow removal priority policy, and has met with Chris Kelley in the Streets Division.

Rewey noted that the Platinum report included a recommendation for the City to develop a policy for snow removal on bikeways.

Scott Langer, City Traffic Engineering, stated that the Streets Division will be reporting on the topic of bikeway snow removal at the PBMVC's May meeting.

### C. DISCLOSURES AND RECUSALS

None.

### D. MADISON POLICE DEPARTMENT REPORT ON TRAFFIC RELATED ISSUES

D.1. [33475](#) Madison Police Department Traffic Reports, Fourth Quarter 2013.

Lt. Carl Strasburg presented a summary of the 4th Quarter 2013 Madison

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Police Department Traffic Report.

**E. NEW BUSINESS**

**Item E.6. was taken out of order after item D.1.**

**E.6. [33137](#)**

Determining a Public Purpose and Necessity and adopting a Relocation Order for the acquisition of land interests required for the construction and maintenance of the Irwin A. and Robert D. Goodman Path, a new multi-purpose (bicycle and pedestrian) path and on-street bike route from the Capital City path at Marquette Street to the Marsh View path at Highway 30. (6th and 15th AD)

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

**Alder Cheeks arrived at 5:31 p.m. during discussion of item E.1. A new roll call is shown to reflect this.**

**Present:** 10 -

Marsha A. Rummel; Maurice S. Cheeks; Michael W. Rewey; Robbie Webber; Aaron S. P. Crandall; Ronald B. Steinhofner; Lydia S. Maurer; Susan M. De Vos; Scott A. Kolar and Sarah (Sally) A. Lehner

**Excused:** 1 -

John Strasser

**E.1. [32232](#)**

2013 Annual Traffic Signal Priority List

**Registrants: Dan Swift, Columbus Street, Sun Prairie, representing American Family Insurance, registered in support.**

**Brian Smith of City Traffic Engineering, reported the results of recent studies and staff recommendations to the Commission. The Commission discussed options to improve pedestrian and bike crossing for the intersection of Blount and Williamson Streets. Alder Rummel noted that there are upcoming development proposals in the area which may change traffic patterns in the future. Steinhofner noted that it may be better to wait until changes related to future development are known, rather than spending money to make changes to the intersection that may be unnecessary or inappropriate with upcoming developments.**

**Smith noted that the intersection of Regent Street and Roby Road does not meet the warrants for the installation of a traffic signal. Lehner asked if there were other options for the intersection such as a pedestrian refuge island. Langer stated that Traffic Engineering can explore the option of installing a pedestrian island, but noted that there may be width constraints. Rewey recommended that staff consider removing parking on the south side of Regent St. to the west of Roby Rd to improve the sight distance at the intersection.**

**Crandall asked if a bike box could be installed at the intersection of Blair Street and Johnson Street. Rewey noted that motorists turning right on the red light would create problems for pedestrians using the crossing. Langer stated that right turns on red would be prohibited, and there will be a pedestrian-actuated protected crossing. Rewey recommended that staff consider installation of bike boxes at every signalized intersection on Johnson Street from First Street**

to Baldwin Street during the reconstruction.

Rummel noted that she wants the intersection of Williamson Street and Blount Street to remain on the list for future consideration for a signal, and does not want the intersection precluded from reconsideration. Langer stated that the Commission is approving the intersections to be signalized in 2014, and that intersections not currently recommended for signalization will remain on the list and can be reconsidered for 2015 or future years.

A motion was made by Rewey, seconded by Rummel, to Approve with the recommendations that staff study the intersection of Blount St. and Williamson St. in one year, that assessment for both the installation and operation of the signal at American Parkway and Buttonwood Drive be included in the agreement between the City and developer, that staff investigate the removal of parking on Regent Street to the west of Roby Road, and that staff examine the construction of bike boxes at all signalized intersections on Johnson Street from First Street to Blount Street during the reconstruction. The motion passed by voice vote/other.

Item E.4. was taken out of order after item E.1.

**E.4.**     [33387](#)

Amending Sections 10.33(10)(c)3.a. and 31.046(4)(a)1. of the Madison General Ordinances to allow a larger single-faced poster board sign on a City-sponsored bicycle-sharing facility.

**Registrants:** Claire Hurley, Jenifer Street, Madison, representing B-Cycle, registered and spoke in support.

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

Alder Rummel left at 6:37 p.m. during discussion of item E.2. A new roll call is shown to reflect this.

**Present:** 9 -

Maurice S. Cheeks; Michael W. Rewey; Robbie Webber; Aaron S. P. Crandall; Ronald B. Steinhofner; Lydia S. Maurer; Susan M. De Vos; Scott A. Kolar and Sarah (Sally) A. Lehner

**Excused:** 2 -

Marsha A. Rummel and John Strasser

**E.2.**     [33454](#)

Recommend cross-sections of North Gammon Road from Tree Lane to Stonefield Road and approving the resurfacing of North Gammon Road in 2014.

**Registrants:** David Grams, North Gammon Road, Madison, registered and spoke in opposition. Grams stated that he wants North Gammon Road to be converted to three lanes.

A motion was made by Steinhofner, seconded by Cheeks, to approve. The motion failed by the following vote:

**AYES:** Steinhofner, Cheeks

**NOES:** Webber, Maurer, Kolar, De Vos, Lehner

**NON-VOTING:** Crandall

A motion was made by Rewey, seconded by Webber, to Return to Lead with the Following Recommendation(s) to the BOARD OF PUBLIC WORKS. The

**Pedestrian/Bicycle/Motor Vehicle Commission recommends approval of the North Gammon Road resurfacing project for the segment south of Old Sauk Road in its current cross-section with additional enhancements, as recommended in the resolution, and recommends that the resolution be amended to direct staff to further study the segment of North Gammon Road, north of Old Sauk Road, to determine if that section could be converted to three lanes, and to report back to the Pedestrian/Bicycle/Motor Vehicle Commission with that report at the April 30, 2014 PBMVC meeting. The motion passed by the following vote:**

**Ayes:** 6 -

Maurice S. Cheeks; Michael W. Rewey; Robbie Webber; Lydia S. Maurer; Scott A. Kolar and Sarah (Sally) A. Lehner

**Noes:** 2 -

Ronald B. Steinhofer and Susan M. De Vos

**Excused:** 2 -

Marsha A. Rummel and John Strasser

**Non Voting:** 1 -

Aaron S. P. Crandall

**E.3. [33149](#)**

Amending Section 10.23(2) of the Madison General Ordinances to prohibit the depositing of snow or ice onto bike paths.

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

**E.5. [33391](#)**

Approval of Amended 2014 NTMP Priority List

**A motion was made by Cheeks, seconded by De Vos, to Approve. The motion passed by voice vote/other. Steinhofer abstained from the vote.**

**F. REPORTS**

**F.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  
South Capitol District Planning Committee  
Sustainable Madison Transportation Master Plan Oversight Committee

**Plan Commission, LRTPC, Joint West Campus Area Committee, Joint Southeast Campus Area Committee, and South Capitol District Planning Committee meeting topics were reported.**

**G. ANNOUNCEMENTS AND FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS**

**G.1. General announcements by Executive Secretary**

**The Federal Highway Administration (FHWA) gave the City interim approval to use bike signals, which provides greater flexibility for their use and**

installation.

G.2. General announcements by Chair

The City is looking at options to address winter maintenance of on-street bike lanes.

G.3. Commission member items for future agendas

- Discussion on year-round bike lane maintenance (Streets will be at May meeting to discuss).
- Steinhofner requested a report on traffic control plans and expected traffic impacts for the upcoming Rhythm & Booms event this summer.
- Webber requested a report/update of the results of the the bike counts performed by the City and Bike Federation.
- Webber requested an update on the downtown bike parking study.
- Maurer requested a report on data from the traffic monitoring camera that was installed at Aberg and North Sherman. Langer stated that they would review data and provide a report toward the end of summer.

#### ADJOURNMENT

A motion was made by Cheeks, seconded by Webber, to Adjourn. The motion passed by voice vote/other. The meeting adjourned at 7:38 p.m.