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City of Greenville
Bicycle and Pedestrian Commission
Summary Minutes
Wednesday, August 2, 2017 @ 5:30PM
City Council Chambers | 200 W Fifth St, Greenville

BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT:

- Checked boxes for Katy Webb, Chair; Adele Grier; Traye Smith; Patrick Harris; Tony Parker; Corina Jury; Chad Carwein; Robert Turner; Alvin Gardner.

ADVISORS PRESENT:

- Checked boxes for Eric Gooby; Jeff Cabaniss; Police Sergeant Mike Ross; Taylor Davenport.

EX-OFFICIO PRESENT:

- Unchecked boxes for Gary Fenton; Kevin Mulligan.

STAFF LIAISONS:

- Checked boxes for Dean Foy; Lynn Raynor; Calvin Mercer, City Council Liaison. Unchecked boxes for Scott Godefroy; Laura J. Davenport; Rik DiCesare.

MEETING AGENDA, DISCUSSION AND ACTIONS:

The meeting was opened at 5:30 PM and the following items were discussed. Agenda items are in bold print with the highlights of the discussion and actions below the agenda item.

I. Roll Call/Quorum

II. Pledge of Allegiance

III. Approval of Agenda

Motion made to amend the August 2, 2017 agenda to table New Business Items A and E. Motion: Robert Turner. Second: Tony Parker. Motion carried unanimously.

IV. Approval of Minutes

Motion made to approve the May 3, 2017 minutes as presented. Motion: Tony Parker. Second: Robert Turner. Motion carried unanimously.

Motion made to approve the June 7, 2017 minutes as presented. Motion: Tony Parker. Second: Robert Turner. Motion carried unanimously.

V. Member Announcements

None.

VI. Public Comment Period (3 minutes)

None.

VII. Advisor (Non-voting) Report

A. Eric Gooby (Pitt County)

1. Alice Keene Park is going through the first phase of its expansion. The trail will be finished over the next month.

B. Taylor Davenport (Vidant Medical Center)

1. Continue to be a part of camps/outreach, bike/ped education, bike rodeo, and BMX presentations.
2. Currently working with schools for Walk to School Day.

C. Sgt. Mike Ross (Greenville Police Department)

1. No report.

D. Jeff Cabaniss (NCDOT)

1. Fire Tower/Allen Rd – These roads run the City/County Line – in the plan, sidewalks will go over utilities. It's a cost share with municipalities if a sidewalk maintenance plan is agreed upon. The cost share is 60% state roads and 40% City roads.
2. The ADA ramp project is ongoing.

VIII. DEPARTMENT REPORTS

A. Public Works (Lynn Raynor)

1. South Tar River Greenway – Phase III

Resubmitted contract proposal – hope to be approved by end of month. Then staff will ask for construction approval. Hope to award contract in January 2018.

2. 2017 Annual Resurfacing Projects

Updating ramps, milling and resurfacing. This was a \$4 million dollar contract which should be completed by the end of August.

B. Recreation and Parks (Dean Foy)

1. Received request from ECU Police for Green Mill Run access to Phase II. ECU Police now have access to all greenways.
2. The boat ramp at the Town Common has reopened.

IX. NEW BUSINESS

A. Bike Repair Stations (Chad Carwein)

1. Item tabled until the September meeting.

B. NCDOT Project Updates (Jeff Cabaniss)

1. The 10th Street Connector is 60% complete and the completion date is June 2019 (ahead of schedule).
2. Southwest Bypass – 35% complete; completion date is June 2020.
3. Firetower Road Expansion – Right of way should be completed is 2019 and construction begin in 2019. The comment period is still open. Over 200 were in attendance for the Public Input Meeting on Monday.
4. Evans Street/Old Tar Rd – Right of Way begins in 2019; construction 2021.
5. 14th Street – Construction will follow Fire Tower Rd construction, in the very beginning stages of design work; Right of Way in 2020 and construction is 2021.
6. Allen Road – Right of Way begins in 2019; construction 2021.

7. Dickinson Avenue – Will follow behind 10th Street Connector completion; Right of Way begins 2016; construction begins 2018.

C. Dickinson Avenue Speeds and Crossings (Alvin Gardner)

1. As a business owner, concerned with speed of cars and increase of pedestrians with no crosswalks. GTAC has lack of sidewalks in its proposal. GTAC > Sidewalk on Bonner, sidewalks are constructed to lead citizens to bus bays; sidewalks on 8th Street as well. No sidewalks on direct side of east/west sides, but across the street. Sidewalks will be constructed by University Edge Housing. Dickinson Ave will be resurfaced from Reade Circle to Memorial Drive – major work – by NCDOT; City focusing on 14th Street to Reade Circle. Staff requested NCDOT to decrease road to widen sidewalks to increase walkability. Safety concerns include speeding, current striping for awareness, and crossing at 8th St and Pitt St. Sgt. Ross mentioned a radar trailer can be placed on Dickinson Ave and will record speeds. Then GPD will be able to enforce. Commissioner Parker reinforced the need to reach out to elected officials regarding legality of ETJ for bike lanes.

D. American Planning Conference (Tony Parker)

1. A meeting is being held in September, and this event is big for the City. Commissioner Parker has the route going through town – the good parts and the bad. There will be a police escort for the ride and the conference is taking place at the convention center.
2. Supporting partners have been reached out to for bikes/helmets.
3. Other Commissioners asked if there was any way to invite citizens/government officials to participate. Commissioner Parker will mention to the planner. The Bicycle Post is offering 30 bikes to ride, free of charge.

E. Active Transportation Master Plan (Chad Carwein)

1. Tabled until the September meeting.

X. OLD BUSINESS

None.

XI. ADJOURN

Motion made to adjourn.

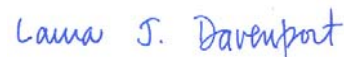
Motion: Corina Jury

Second: Robert Turner

Motion carried unanimously.

Having no further business, the meeting adjourned at 6:35 PM.

Respectfully submitted,



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Recreation and Parks Department