

City of La Crosse, Wisconsin

City Hall 400 La Crosse Street La Crosse, WI 54601

Meeting Minutes - Final

Bicycle-Pedestrian Advisory Committee

Tuesday, August 13, 2024 8:30 AM Miller Room

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Call to Order

The meeting was called to order at 8:33 am.

Roll Call

Present: 6 - Robert Young, Jeff Fennie, Larry Sleznikow, Grace Janssen, Stephanie

Sward, Chelsey Bodon

Excused: 2 - Randi Pueschner, Brooke Pataska

Approval of Minutes from the July 9th, 2024 meeting.

A motion was made by Young, seconded by Fennie that the minutes be approved. The motion was carried unanimously by voice vote.

Agenda Items:

1. 24-1118 Discussion on electric scooters.

Staff provided an overview of the attached spreadsheet. Staff stated that overall there seemed to be mixed reviews on electric scooter share in other communities. The biggest success rate seemed to be in communities with an attentive local fleet manager.

CM Sleznikow stated that he had a conversation with Legal and they are going to look into it. The Committee is going to wait to get further information from Legal.

2. 24-1119

Discussion on priority projects and implementation of the 2024 Bicycle and Pedestrian Master Plan.

CM Sleznikow asked Committee Members to bring forward ideas for future capital budget processes or grant opportunities. Sward stated that if bike/ped projects get brought forward that means a different project from Public Works will be taken away or pushed off. Young asked how the Committee can work with Engineering to coordinate street reconstruction with priority projects. Young stated it would be helpful for the Green Complete Streets review to go further out than one year.

CM Sleznikow suggested forming a subcommittee to discuss and bring back priority projects to the full committee. CM Sleznikow, James Longhurst, Cathy Van Maren, and Erin Duffer volunteered to be a part of the subcommittee.

3. 24-1123

Discussion on Week without Driving and event ideas.

Cathy Van Maren provided an overview on Week without Driving. The Week without Driving (WWD) will be September 30-October 6 and is a national effort to draw attention to transportation challenges faced by non-drivers. The Bicycle and Pedestrian Advisory Committee was invited to co-sponsor the event. The Committee discussed possible opportunities for events.

Young motioned for the Committee to co-sponsor the Week without Driving. Fennie Seconded. The motion carried unanimously by voice vote.

4. 24-1120

Updates (Bike Rodeo, Bike Friendly Community, Committee Member updates, etc.).

Staff provided information regarding the city-wide Bike Rodeo on September 19th from 4:30 to 6:30 pm. The event will be held at Copeland Park in the Oktoberfest Pavilion. Staff is still looking for volunteers and stated the event will include helmet fittings, bike registration, and bike skills for elementary aged kids.

Staff also stated that they applied to renew the city's Bike Friendly Community status at the end of June. As part of that process the League of American Cyclists is asking community members to fill out the survey about what it is like to bike in La Crosse. This survey will remain open until October 15th.

5. Call for future agenda items.

Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned at 9:17 am.

Notice is further given that members of other governmental bodies may be present at the above scheduled meeting to gather information about a subject over which they have decision-making responsibility.

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Bicycle and Pedestrian Advisory Committee Members: CM Larry Sleznikow, Brooke Pataska, Grace

Janssen, Jeff Fennie, Randi Pueschner, Robert Young, Stephanie Sward, Chelsey Boldon