East-West Gateway Council of Governments
Bicycle and Pedestrian Advisory Committee

Wednesday, August 10, 2022 – 2:00 pm

Meeting held virtually via GoToMeeting
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Meeting Minutes

Members in Attendance:
Kevin Jemison – IDOT
Tyler Lehde – MODOT (for Shaun Tooley)
Jacque Knight – Community Mobility Committee
Angelica Gutierrez – Great Rivers Greenway
Mark Vogl – Great Rivers Greenway
John Kohler – City of St. Louis BPS
Scott Ogilvie – City of St. Louis
Taylor March – Trailnet
Sara Nelson – St. Charles County
Misty Bell – St. Louis County
Lisa Cagle – Metro
Jenny Reiman – Heartlands Conservancy
Chris Clercx – City of O'Fallon

Others in Attendance:
Jen Wade – MODOT
Cindy Simmons – MODOT
Brandon Barke – MODOT
Sam McCrory – Trailnet
Cindy Mense – Trailnet
Charles Bryson – Trailnet
Mackenzie Menn – Citizens for Modern Transit
Sheryll Williams – Great Rivers Greenway
Angela Hoffman – Washington University
Laurel Harrington – Horner & Shifrin
Mike Albin – Horner & Shifrin
George Karnezis
Rachel Witt
Matt Seggerman
Adam Treaster
Ryan Pendergast
Liz Kramer

East-West Gateway Staff:
Rachael Pawlak
Anna Musial
Jason Lange
Brad Williams
James Fister
Paul Hubbman
Bailey DeJonge
Saranya Konala
Melissa Theiss – BPAC Coordinator

1. **Introductions**
   Jacque Knight called the meeting to order at 2:02 p.m.

2. **Approval of Minutes from Previous Meeting** – May 11, 2022
   The minutes were approved as proposed.
   John Kohler made the motion to approve and Angelica Gutierrez seconded the motion.

3. **Safe Streets for All – Safety Action Plan**
   Anna Musial presented on East-West Gateway's current effort to submit an application for federal funding of a regional safety action plan under the IIJA's new Safe Streets for All (SS4A) program, which is funded for the next five years. Applications are due September 15, 2022 and awarded projects will be announced in January 2023. Applications will be evaluated based on safety impact and equity and applicants must have a safety action plan in place in order to apply for implementation funds. Other applicants within the region would be competing with EWG for action plan funding and that could potentially hurt their applications. If awarded, EWG will convene a regional task force to assist with plan development and implementation and the plan would likely be completed by early 2024. Local public agencies would then be able to apply for funds to implement items from the plan in SS4A application cycles starting in 2024. If the grant is not awarded, EWG intends to move forward

with development of a safety action plan through future SS4A funding rounds or other sources. The safety action plan would also be used by EWG to guide funding evaluations, other/future regional planning efforts, and other investments and improvements in the region.

Cindy Mense suggested a draft application narrative be shared with BPAC for feedback.

John Kohler suggested revising the name of the plan to not include “Vision Zero” due to negative perceptions of the program nationwide. This is a working title that may be changed as the plan moves forward but the goal will be still be zero fatalities.

4. **Great Rivers Greenway Regional Plan**
   Mark Vogl shared an update on GRG’s regional plan, which is updated every 5 years. This is the fourth plan update since GRG was established in early 2000s. While the original plan laid out the concept for the river ring, updates look not just at building these greenways, but promoting and sustaining them and planning for maintenance. Key recommendations from the plan update focus on five areas: planning greenways, visitor experience, conservation, operations and maintenance, and equitable outcomes.

5. **Brickline Greenway**
   Mark Vogl updated the committee on the Brickline Greenway’s progress, including the status of multiple active projects within the greenway’s footprint that are in various stages of development. When complete, the Brickline will connect four anchor institutions – Forest Park, Tower Grove Park, Fairgrounds Park, and the Gateway Arch National Park. It will not be just a linear greenway project, but will also incorporate parallel and intersecting routes and spurs.

6. **Other Business / Announcements**
   Rachael Pawlak announced that the Missouri 2022 Highway Safety and Traffic Conference will be held September 27-29 in Columbia, MO.
   https://www.ghsa.org/events/upcoming/MoDOT/Highway-Safety-Traffic-Conference22

   John Kohler announced that the annual Missouri Active Transportation Summit will be held this Friday, August 12 in Jefferson City, MO. There is also an option to attend virtually.
   https://mobikefed.org/2022MissouriActiveTransportationSummit

   Karen Karabell was not present but shared via email that through a partnership between GRG and the American Bicycling Education Association, cyclists can go to cyclingsavvy.org and use the coupon code gatewaybikeplan for free lifetime access to "Ride Awesome," an encyclopedic series of beautifully produced videos on all aspects of safe cycling. Up to three "Train Your Bike" sessions (on-bike parking lot sessions) will be scheduled this fall.

7. **Upcoming Events**
   a. APBP webinars provided by GRG:
      i. August 17: Data Don’t Drive: The Limitations of Crash Data for Understanding Community Pedestrian And Bicycle Safety And Mobility Needs
      ii. September 21: Partnering with Youth as Community Members and Advocates
      iii. October 19: Assessment of Bicycle Detection Confirmation and Countdown Devices
   b. APBP Conference: August 22-24 – Minneapolis, MN
      https://www.apbp.org/2022-apbp-conference
   c. NACTO Designing Cities: September 7-10 – Boston, MA
      https://nacto.org/conference/designing-cities-2022-boston-cambridge-somerville/

8. **Next Meeting** – November 9, 2022

9. **Adjournment**
   The meeting adjourned at 3:13 p.m.
   John Kohler made the motion to adjourn and Taylor March seconded the motion.