

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

Wednesday, May 15, 2024 – 2:00 pm

East-West Gateway Council of Governments
1 S. Memorial Drive, Suite 1600
St. Louis, MO 63102

Meeting Minutes

Members in Attendance:

Kevin Jemison – IDOT
Scott Ogilvie – City of St. Louis
John Kohler – City of St. Louis BPS
Sara Nelson – St. Charles County
John Shrewsbury (for Misty Bell) – St. Louis Co.
Karen Troxell – Citizens for Modern Transit
John Bugh – St. Charles County Parks Dept.
Mark Vogl – Great Rivers Greenway
Shaun Tooley – MODOT

Lisa Cagle – Bi-State Development
Chris Clercx – City of O’Fallon, MO
Karen Karabell – Cycling Savvy
Angelica Gutierrez – Great Rivers Greenway
Scott Dunakey – Heartlands Conservancy

Others in Attendance:

Oliver Dulue – Concrete Council

East-West Gateway Staff:

Alex Hartig
Rachael Pawlak
Melissa Theiss – BPAC Coordinator

Members Absent:

Cindy Mense – Trailnet
Jacque Knight – Community Mobility Committee

1. Introductions

Sara Nelson called the meeting to order at 2:02 p.m.

2. Approval of Minutes from Previous Meeting – February 14, 2024

The minutes were approved as proposed.

John Kohler made the motion to approve and Shaun Tooley seconded the motion.

3. St. Louis Transportation & Mobility Plan

Scott Ogilvie presented on the Transportation & Mobility Plan (TMP) that the City has started in March 2024. The City does not currently have a comprehensive plan and the last transportation plan was completed in 1950. However, the TMP along with the concurrent efforts on the City’s Sustainability Plan and Strategic Land Use Plan (SLUP) and EWG’s regional safety action plan/high injury network will help guide overall decision-making. The TMP will include a street typology guide, a policy and ordinance review, project prioritization, and will tie together major current projects such as the Brickline Greenway, the MetroLink Green Line, and Future64. Key public engagement activities include stakeholder interviews, focus groups, a statistically valid resident survey, neighborhood meetings, pop-up demonstrations, and a Community Advisory Committee that is currently seeking applicants. Work so far has included aligning vision, goals, and values among various city agencies as well as partner agencies, based on the guiding principles of choice, safety, equity, and place. The planning process is expected to take about 18 months, with final plan adoption slated for August 2025.

<https://www.tmp-stl.com/>

4. Brickline and Centennial Greenways

Mark Vogl shared updates on the Centennial Greenway, which has made recent progress on segments near Spencer Creek in St. Peters, the 39North District, Warson and Indian Meadows Park, and the new interchange at I-170 and Olive Blvd. Updates on the Brickline Greenway include plans to

extend the segment at CityPark west to Harris-Stowe State University, which held a ribbon-cutting for the construction that will begin this summer.

5. **Gateway to Safer Roadways**

Rachael Pawlak announced that work is proceeding on the region's comprehensive safety action plan, Gateway to Safer Roadways, with a draft plan being finalized and presented to the EWG EAC next week. EWG applied for SS4A funding in 2022 and began work on the plan in November 2023. Plan development has included 18 meetings of the Regional Safety Task Force and local stakeholders and extensive crash data analysis for years 2018-2022. Maps of the High-Injury Network (HIN) will be included in the final plan, with layers for bicycle and pedestrian crashes, interstate crashes, and other crash types and contributing factors. The overall goal of the plan is to reduce fatal and serious injury crashes by 50% by 2050. The final draft of the plan is scheduled for Board approval in June 2024.

6. **Bike Month Activities**

Melissa Theiss shared the schedule of Bike to Work day hospitality stations organized by Metro, which will be held this Friday, May 17, from 7:00-8:30 am. Volunteers from Metro, Trailnet, GRG, EWG, and Washington University will have a table at each of the stations listed below, with freebies such as coffee, snacks, stickers, and Metro day passes for bike commuters that stop by.

- Stadium
- Cortex
- Forest Park-Debaliviere
- Clayton
- Skinker

7. **Other Business / Announcements**

No announcements.

8. **Upcoming Events**

- a. APBP webinars provided by GRG & Trailnet:
 - May 15: Working & Planning to Advance Transportation Health Equity
 - June 12: Shifting Away from Car Culture Neighboring the Motor City
 - July 17: Pop-up Traffic Calming and Placemaking for Small Urban and Rural Communities
- b. Safe Routes to School National Conference – Fort Collins, CO – October 22-24
<https://saferoutespartnership.org/SRTSConf24>
- c. APBP 2024 Conference – Detroit, MI – August 12-14
<https://www.apbp.org/2024-conference>

9. **Next Meeting** – August 14, 2024

10. **Adjournment**

The meeting adjourned at 3:08 p.m.

Shaun Tooley made the motion to adjourn and John Kohler seconded the motion.