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

Wednesday, November 13, 2024 – 2:00 pm East-West Gateway Council of Governments 1 S. Memorial Drive, Suite 1600 St. Louis, MO 63102 Meeting Agenda

- 1. Introductions
- 2. Approval of Minutes from Previous Meeting August 14, 2024
- 3. St. Louis Regional Climate Action Plan Aaron Young / Anna Chott
- 4. Trailnet Update on Traffic Calming Work Cindy Mense
- 5. Update on St. Charles Bike Walk Initiative Sara Nelson
- 6. 2025 TIP Call For Projects Melissa Theiss
- 7. Other Business / Announcements
- 8. Upcoming Events
 - a. APBP webinars provided by GRG & Trailnet:
 - November 20, 2024: Multibenefit Corridors: Designing Our Streets for Multisystem Benefits
 - December 18, 2024: University Transportation Centers 101: An Overview of the UTC Program and Exploring How Practitioners Can Engage the Process
 - b. 2025 National Bike Summit Washington D.C. March 11-13 https://whova.com/portal/registration/gg@0XSORCiVhjt2i5XL0/
 - c. NACTO Conference 2025 Washington, D.C. May 28 31 https://nacto.org/conference/designing-cities-2025-washington-d-c/
- 9. Next Meeting February 12, 2025
- 10. Adjournment

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Meeting Minutes

Members in Attendance:

Kevin Jemison – IDOT Misty Bell – St. Louis County John Kohler – City of St. Louis BPS Cindy Mense – Trailnet Angelica Gutierrez – Great Rivers Greenway Amanda Brauer (for Sara Nelson) – St. Charles County Jacque Knight – Community Mobility Committee Karen Troxell – Citizens for Modern Transit Shaun Tooley – MODOT

Members Absent: Scott Ogilvie – City of St. Louis Mark Vogl – Great Rivers Greenway John Bugh – St. Charles County Parks Dept. Lisa Cagle – Bi-State Development Chris Clercx – City of O'Fallon, MO Karen Karabell – Cycling Savvy Scott Dunakey – Heartlands Conservancy

East-West Gateway Staff:

Alex Hartig Rachael Pawlak Anna Musial Saranya Konala Bailey DeJonge – BPAC Coordinator

1. Introductions

Shaun Tooley called the meeting to order at 2:01 p.m.

 Approval of Minutes from Previous Meeting – May 15, 2024 The minutes were approved as proposed. John Kohler made the motion to approve, Kevin Jemison seconded the motion.

3. Jefferson County Bike/Walk Plan

Jacque Knight presented on the Jefferson County Bike/Walk Plan that is being led by the Jefferson County department of Public Works and being completed by CMT and SWT Design. The focus of the project is to link together community assets with a network for biking and for walking. The plan will include a phased approach for prioritization and implementation and will focus on safety, comfort, and accessibility. Right now, the team is in the process of creating a draft network and scoring for prioritization. The team is looking at the Safe Streets for All Demonstration Grant Funding opportunity for some temporary projects. The plan has so far completed its first round of engagement, an existing conditions report, and will next hold an open house on October 24th, with a draft being completed by the end of the year and a final plan being adopted in January.

4. GRG Updates

Angelica Gutierrez gave an update on the Centennial Greenway, which will connect the City of St. Louis with St. Charles County. There has been great progress on the trail in the City of St. Peters, constructing over a narrow trail to meet GRG's standards. Progress has also been made along Chute Road in St. Louis County, in addition to an engagement effort to take the project to I-270. CMAQ funding has been received for a small segment in Creve Coeur with a pedestrian bridge. Angelica shared updated photos of the Indian Meadows Park trail construction, which is 75% complete.

5. St. Charles County Bike/Ped Updates

Amanda Brauer gave an update on current happenings in St. Charles County. The county did an update to its bikeway plan several years ago and found that they had a disjointed network, so the focus is on filling in gaps. For the first time, the county was able to add a bike/ped category for the application cycle using its ½ cent sales tax. The county will be able to fund all 5 of the applicants in that category.

6. St. Louis City's Traffic Calming Guidelines

John Kohler presented on the City of St. Louis' Traffic Calming Guidelines that were adopted in December of 2023. This was funded through the American Rescue Act Plan (ARPA) funds. The goal is to slow vehicular speeds, reduce frequency and severity of crashes, enhance the environment and comfort of the street, and to increase access for all modes. The guidelines contain a traffic calming toolbox that include vertical deflection, horizontal alignment, volume management, and complimentary tools. The City has implemented pedestrian and traffic calming improvements in areas like Chouteau/Mississippi, Josephine Baker/Washington, and Bates/Leona.

7. Other Business / Announcements

- Cindy Mense gave an update on some items that Trailnet is working on. Trailnet just completed a Traffic Calming Plan in Wellston and are working on a traffic calming plan in Hillsboro and in Holly Hills. She mentioned that the midnight ramble is this coming weekend.
- Kevin Jemison announced that IDOT just opened the application for ITEP on August 1st and are accepting applications until September 30th.

8. Upcoming Events

- a. APBP webinars provided by GRG & Trailnet:
 - August 21: Bike Comfort: Expanding our Understanding Through Data and Empathy
 September 18: Planning for New Forms of Micromobility
 - October 16: Moving from World Class Trails to Fully Connected Mobility Networks
- Missouri Active Transportation Summit 2024 Boonville, MO August 23 https://mobikefed.org/2024MissouriActiveTransportationSummit
- c. Safe Routes to School National Conference Fort Collins, CO October 22-24 https://saferoutespartnership.org/SRTSConf24
- NACTO Conference 2025 Washington, D.C. May 28 31 <u>https://nacto.org/conference/designing-cities-2025-washington-d-c/</u>
- e. Shaun Tooley added that the 2024 Quad State Conference is being held in Fayetteville, AR on October 7 – 9, 2024 https://site.pheedloop.com/event/APAQuadStateConference/home/

9. Next Meeting – November 13, 2024

10. Adjournment

The meeting adjourned at 2:59 p.m.