

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

East-West Gateway Council of Governments
One Memorial Drive, Suite 1600 – St. Louis, MO 63102
Wednesday, January 8, 2020 – 2:00 pm

Meeting Agenda

1. Introductions
2. Approval of Minutes from Previous Meeting – October 9, 2019
3. **Chair, Vice-Chair, and TPC Representative Elections**
4. **Great Streets** – Paul Hubbman
5. **Tower Grove/Vandeventer Cycle Track** – John Kohler
6. **TIP Schedule & Application Cycle** – Jason Lange
7. **Coordinated Human Services Transportation Plan** – Melissa Theiss
8. **Other Business / Announcements**
9. **Upcoming Events**
 - a. APBP Webinars at GRG (2:00-3:00 pm):
 - i. January 15: Active Transportation Planning Through Health in All Policies
 - ii. February 19: Topic TBD
 - iii. March 18: Bike Network Connectivity
 - b. America Walks – National Walking Summit: March 10-11 at Washington University
10. **Future Meetings**
 - a. Next BPAC Meeting: April 8, 2020
 - b. Gateway Bike Plan – Working Group Meeting Date: March 27, 2020
11. Adjournment

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Meeting Minutes

In Attendance:

Kevin Jemison – IDOT
Tom Caldwell – IDOT
John Hicks – St. Louis County
Mallory Box – Citizens for Modern Transit
Taylor March – Trailnet
Cindy Mense – Trailnet
John Kohler – City of St. Louis
Scott Ogilvie – City of St. Louis
Angelica Gutierrez – Great Rivers Greenway
Kevin Neill – Alta Planning & Design
Jeremy Wolfmeyer – City of O'Fallon

East-West Gateway Staff:

Anna Musial
Josh Schwenk
Jason Lange
Christopher Michael
Jenny Reiman

BPAC Coordinator:

Melissa Theiss

1. Introductions

John Kohler called the meeting to order at 2:02 p.m.

2. Approval of Minutes from Previous Meeting – July 10, 2019

The minutes were approved as proposed.

3. Ecological Data Inventory Report

Christopher Michael and Jenny Reiman presented the recently completed report, which was a collaborative effort to integrate geospatial data from the last ten years. The report provides high resolution aerial imagery and land cover data for the St. Louis urbanized area. The report can be used to assess potential transportation projects, and staff is having conversations with other local agencies that may find the report applicable to their work.

4. Froebel Elementary Safe Routes to School

Cindy Mense and Taylor March presented the work they have done in the region to promote SRTS, and specifically, their project at Froebel Elementary school. These are typically low-cost, non-infrastructure projects involving transportation studies, walking school buses, or in-class learning, but can also include crosswalks, bump-outs, etc. Kirkwood was cited as another success story where eventually the police department took over and now runs the program. There was discussion about changing the eligibility for non-profits to apply for federal transportation funding through EWG to fund these types of projects.

5. Gateway Bike Plan Audit Report

Kevin Neill presented findings of a recent report in which 89 miles of bicycle facilities (29% of the GBP network) were audited by Alta over the summer to analyze the condition of the pavement, striping/markings, and signage. The audit was a recommendation included in the plan, with plans to audit at least 25% of the network annually, culminating in a full network audit every four years. Kevin noted that it is important to look back at prior projects as we move forward in order to re-evaluate performance

measures and see if facilities are being properly maintained, as that impacts public perception and support, as well as the return on investment for these facilities.

6. St. Louis County Action Plan for Walking & Biking

Kevin Neill updated the committee on the County's Action Plan. There has been involvement from a number of County agencies and they are now moving into the public engagement phase of planning. There is a survey and interactive map currently available online and open houses will kick off next week.

7. NACTO Conference Synopsis

Scott Ogilvie presented a brief synopsis of the NACTO Designing Cities conference that took place earlier this month in Toronto. The conference is well-organized with interactive, mobile workshops. Examples were shown to demonstrate NACTO's commitment to a more human-centered approach to planning and design that supports walking and biking. NACTO design guides are available online for free download and include specific, proven design solutions.

8. Other Business

Trailnet announced they will be holding a free Traffic Skills 101 class on October 19 and November 9 at the Trailnet office. The annual gala will be held on November 6.

The City of St. Louis will receive an OLGA award for Leadership in Planning & Design Innovation for their Downtown Multimodal Plan from East-West Gateway at their annual meeting on November 13.

Citizens for Modern Transit will be holding placemaking workshops for the bus stop in Maplewood across from Foundation Grounds on October 15 from 5-7 pm and October 16 from 9-11 am.

Citizens for Modern Transit will be presenting the findings of an Economic Impact Study on transit in Missouri on October 22 at 8:30 am at the St. Louis Regional Chamber.

9. Events/Announcements

- a. APBP Webinars at GRG (2:00-3:00 pm):
 - i. October 16: Estimating Demand for Biking and Walking
 - ii. November 20: Aging in Place: Designing Communities to Support Mobility
 - iii. December 18: Education and Encouragement: Bringing the Right People Together
- b. St. Louis County Action Plan Open Houses (5:00-7:30 pm):
 - i. October 16: Brentwood Community Center (Central)
 - ii. October 17: The Pavilion at Lemay (South)
 - iii. October 23: Greensfelder Community Center at Queeny Park (West)
 - iv. October 24: Ferguson Community Center (North)

10. Future Meetings

- a. Next BPAC Meeting: January 8, 2020
- b. Gateway Bike Plan – Working Group Meeting Date: October 18, 2019

11. Adjournment

The meeting adjourned at 3:25 p.m.