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

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One Memorial Drive, Suite 1600 – St. Louis, MO 63102
Wednesday, January 9, 2019 – 2:00 pm

Meeting Agenda

1. Introductions

2. Approval of Minutes from Previous Meeting – October 10, 2018

3. **BPAC Elections – Chair, Vice-Chair, and TPC Representative**

4. **Louisiana Calm Streets Pilot Project** – Paul Wojciechowski, Aaron Defenbaugh

5. **Great Rivers Greenway Project Updates** – Angelica Gutierrez

6. **Bicycle & Walking Survey Results** – Melissa Theiss

7. **Other Business**

8. **Events/Announcements**
   a. APBP Webinars at GRG (2:00-3:00 pm):
      i. January 16: Bus Stops with Bikeways
      ii. February 20: Viewing Low-Stress Networks Through an Equity Lens
      iii. March 20: Navigating Without Curbs: Accessibility on Shared Streets
   b. NACTO Roundtable: April 29-May 1

9. **Future Meetings**
   a. Next BPAC Meeting: April 10, 2019
   b. Gateway Bike Plan – Working Group Meeting Date: January 18, 2019

10. Adjournment

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Meeting Minutes

In Attendance:
Grace Kyung (Trailnet)
John Hicks (St. Louis County)
John Kohler (City of St. Louis)
Denis Beganovic (City of St. Louis)
Kevin Jemison (IDOT)
Curtis Jones (IDOT)
Shaun Tooley (MODOT)
Angelica Gutierrez (Great Rivers Greenway)
Todd Antoine (Great Rivers Greenway)
Liza Farr (Bi-State Development)
Karen Karabell (Cycling Savvy)
Tom Nagel (Gateway Arch Park Foundation)
Mallory Box (Citizens for Modern Transit)

East-West Gateway Staff:
Rachael Pawlak
Anna Musial
Josh Schwenk
Peter Koeppel

BPAC Coordinator:
Melissa Theiss

1. **Introductions**
   Grace Kyung called the meeting to order at 2:07 p.m.

2. **Approval of Minutes from Previous Meeting** – April 10, 2018
   The minutes were approved as proposed.

3. **Long-Range Plan Update**
   Peter Koeppel provided an update on the update to East-West Gateway's long-range transportation plan. A draft plan will be completed by March 2019, with the final plan seeking Board approval in June 2019. One new component to the plan update will be the System Performance Report, which is a requirement that came out of the FAST Act. This includes metrics for mode share for non-SOV travel and non-motorized serious injuries and fatalities. Goals from the current long-range plan have been incorporated into the Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) through updated selection and evaluation criteria. Stakeholder and community engagement is ongoing and will continue through March.

4. **Bicycle & Pedestrian Crash Analysis**
   Melissa Theiss and Anna Musial presented a brief overview of the 2018 Bicycle Crash Analysis and the 2018 Pedestrian Crash Analysis, which were completed in July and are now available to the public. Topics covered included the need for and purpose of the analyses, data and methodology, key findings from each document, resources and safety strategies, and potential funding opportunities. The analyses will be updated every three years as new crash data becomes available. It was also noted that the Bicycle Planning Guide is also now publicly available and can be used as an additional resource to plan bicycle safety improvements. A draft guide was presented to the BPAC in April, and comments and feedback received were incorporated into the final version.

Grace Kyung asked if race was one of the factors explored in the analysis. Because race data was not available on the crash reports, Environmental Justice areas were used as a sort of proxy since they include areas with higher proportions of minority populations, among other demographic factors.

John Kohler thought it would be beneficial to have further analysis to help the city and counties identify corridor or intersection safety improvement projects. He also asked if the specific ranking of St. Louis on the FHWA Safety Focus City list was known, and if crash data will be available for e-bikes and e-scooters. FHWA does not provide individual city ranking information for their Focus Cities. Crash data has not yet become available for newer electric modes, but may be included in future analyses if that data is tracked on crash reports.

Todd Antione asked if the raw data used in the analyses can be shared with committee members, and if the findings of the analyses will be incorporated into the long-range plan update. EWG staff will verify if the raw data can be shared. Bicycle and pedestrian safety is a component of the long-range plan and will include elements focused on reducing non-motorized serious injuries and fatalities.

Karen Karabell asked if there was an app or other mechanism to self-report crashes as she has heard of injuries and crashes not being reported to police. Unreported crashes are not a new issue and efforts to improve accuracy and crash data is ongoing. Many state crash reports are being revised.

5. **Connecting St. Louis**
   Grace Kyung announced that Trailnet's Connecting St. Louis vision for a network of on-street protected bikeways in the region will be presented at the Trailnet Gala on November 1. The information will be made available online on November 2. Marius Johnson-Malone of Better Together will be the keynote speaker. Table sponsorships are still available.

6. **AASHTO Bike Guide Update**
   Grace Kyung presented a timeline for development and release of the AASHTO Bike Guide. Draft Two is now complete and under review. The guide is comprehensive and includes topics such as facility selection guidance, interchanges, roundabouts, design for rural areas, wayfinding, accessible parking, and anticipating/calculating usage. The table of contents has been shared publicly. In January, local governments can request the state DOT to allow them to review the draft guide as well. Tentative date for full release is Fall 2019.

7. **NACTO Designing Cities Conference Recap**
   John Kohler provided a recap of the NACTO Designing Cities conference that took place October 1-3 in Los Angeles October 1-3. Los Angeles also held an eight-mile open streets event on Sunday, September 30 before the conference that attracted tens of thousands of people. The city of St. Louis became a NACTO large affiliate member as of January 2018 and participated in the "Meet the Cities" poster session at the conference, where they presented a poster on the downtown multimodal plan.

   Liza Farr also attended the conference and presented on Bike and Scooter Share in St. Louis. There was positive feedback on the presentation from other cities that found St. Louis to be more relatable than some of the larger, coastal cities. Private bike and scooter share companies were also involved and seemed to be interested in more of a partnership with the public sector. Next year's conference will be held in Toronto, Canada.

8. **Bike/Walk/Places Conference Recap**
   Melissa Theiss, Angelica Gutierrez, and Grace Kyung shared their thoughts on the Bike/Walk/Places conference that was held September 16-19 in New Orleans, LA. Some of the major themes of the conference were equity, diversity and inclusion, public engagement, data and technology, and micro-mobility, which is something there was a lot of conversation on since it is so new and rapidly evolving. Fees charged for mobile sessions were returned to community groups in the city. The next conference will be held in 2020 in Indianapolis, IN.

9. **Other Business**
Denis Beganovic answered questions regarding Bike Share in St. Louis and the reduced number of bikes available since scooters arrived. For Lime, the goal is to balance the number of bikes and scooters available, although there have been recent issues with vandalism and difficulty obtaining replacement parts, which they are experiencing in other cities as well. Lime plans to release e-bikes either this fall or next spring, along with an improved internal locking mechanism on all bikes. Bird does not offer bikes, only scooters.

John Hicks announced that St. Louis County's Action Plan has been approved by the County Council with Alta as the lead consultant. Implementation should begin by the end of the year.

Liza Farr announced that Bi-State Development has been awarded a $20,000 grant through the Missouri Foundation for Health to conduct bike share-related communications and marketing activities in the social equity target neighborhoods. Since there are eight target neighborhoods, each will receive $2,500, to be distributed through existing community groups.

Grace Kyung announced that former Transportation Secretary Anthony Foxx has accepted a position with Lyft, serving as a Chief Policy Officer and Advisor to the co-founders.

Cycling Savvy is hosting an all-day bicycle training program in Ferguson this Saturday, October 13.

The APA is hosting a Bicycle Tourette this Saturday, October 13 on the north riverfront.

Great Rivers Greenway is having a grand opening celebration for the Deer Creek Greenway and pump track at Lorraine Davis Park in Webster Groves on Saturday, October 13 starting at 10:00 am, with a live blues concert. GRG is also hosting a pop-up greenway demonstration along the Hodiamont corridor on Saturday, October 27 from 2:00-4:00 pm, with food trucks available.

Citizens for Modern Transit is hosting a Transit Security panel on November 16 at 8:30 am at the St. Louis Chamber of Commerce.

Kevin Jemison announced that IDOT currently has an open solicitation for Safe Routes to School, with the funding cycle closing November 19. The application is available online and project awards will be announced in March 2019.

The city of St. Louis has selected Alta as the design consultant on the Louisiana Calm Streets project and has received the notice to proceed. They will be working with Trailnet on public engagement.

10. **Events/Announcements**
    a. APBP Webinars at GRG (2:00-3:00 pm):
        i. October 17: Ten Years of Safe Routes to School – Where do we go from here?
        ii. November 14: Conflict Resolution: Good Sidepath Design
        iii. December 12: What do you do? Bicycle & Pedestrian Coordinator Skills

11. **Future Meetings**
    a. Next BPAC Meeting: January 9, 2019
    b. Gateway Bike Plan – Working Group Meeting Date: October 19, 2018

12. **Adjournment**
The meeting adjourned at 3:22 pm.