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

Wednesday, July 8, 2020 – 2:00 pm

Meeting held virtually via GoToMeeting:
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Meeting Agenda

1. Introductions

2. Approval of Minutes from Previous Meeting – May 13, 2020

3. **Metro Updates** – Lisa Cagle

4. **St. Louis County Action Plan** – John Hicks

5. **Transportation Alternatives Program** – Melissa Theiss

6. **Other Business / Announcements**

7. **Upcoming Events**
   a. APBP Webinars provided by GRG:
      i. July 15: Victim Blaming in Crash Reporting: What It Is and How To Stop It
      ii. August 19: Transit Station Connectivity: How to Get it Done!
      iii. September 16: Innovative Applications of Pedestrian Crossing Guidance
   b. FHWA Bikeway Selection Guide Online Workshop: July 9

8. **Future Meetings**
   a. Next BPAC Meeting: October 14, 2020
   b. Gateway Bike Plan – Working Group Meeting Date: September 25, 2020

9. Adjournment

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Wednesday, May 13, 2020 – 2:00 pm

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Meeting Minutes

In Attendance:
Kevin Jemison – IDOT
Shaun Tooley – MODOT
John Hicks – St. Louis County
Mallory Box – Citizens for Modern Transit
Taylor March – Trailnet
John Kohler – City of St. Louis
Scott Ogilvie – City of St. Louis
Angelica Gutierrez – Great Rivers Greenway
Mark Vogl – Great Rivers Greenway
Todd Antoine – Great Rivers Greenway
Jeremy Wolfmeyer – City of O'Fallon
Karen Karabell – Cycling Savvy
Jacque Knight – Community Mobility Committee

East-West Gateway Staff:
Anna Musial
Josh Schwenk
Jason Lange
Rachael Pawlak
Paul Hubbman

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** – January 9, 2020
   The minutes were approved as proposed.

3. **Community Mobility Committee**
   Jacque Knight discussed the Community Mobility Committee, which evolved out of the Bikeshare Working Group that formed a few years ago with the goal of bringing bikeshare to St. Louis, and has taken on a broader range of transportation and mobility issues. The CMC was formalized as a committee at their meeting earlier today and is currently finalizing membership and forming subcommittees to address specific issues such as Engagement & Access Programs, Shared Vehicle Permits, and the City's Bike Friendly Communities application.

4. **Brickline Greenway**
   Mark Vogl provided an update on the Brickline Greenway, formerly the Chouteau Greenway which was recently renamed. The new name has a broader, historical, and city-wide appeal. Although there are contingency plans in place to address reduced revenues, the greenway is funded through a number of private sources.

5. **Gateway Bike Plan Update**
   Angelica Gutierrez announced plans by GRG and the Gateway Bike Plan Working Group to update the current Gateway Bike Plan. The goal is to have each county involved in updating their respective portion of the plan and to take ownership of implementation. Alta Planning & Design has been procured by GRG

for to update the plan for St. Louis City and St. Charles County, with assistance from Trailnet for public and stakeholder engagement. The contract is on hold until projected revenues are updated in June.

6. **Transportation Alternatives Program (TAP)**
   Melissa Theiss announced that EWG will be opening a TAP solicitation beginning June 4, 2020 when applications and workbooks become available online. Applications will be due August 20, 2020. A project development webinar will be held on June 11 from 9-11 am to provide further details on the TAP program, eligibility, and the application process. There is approximately $10.5 million available in federal funding in the Missouri portion of the region and approximately $1.3 million available in the Illinois portion of the region.

7. **Virtual Outreach & Engagement Discussion**
   Melissa Theiss shared how EWG pivoted to a virtual open house format to showcase the draft Coordinated Human Services Transportation Plan (CHSTP) in April, and then opened this discussion up to the group to share what they have been doing for public engagement during the COVID-19 lockdown.

   Mark Vogl noted that GRG has set up online feedback sites for existing projects, which includes video clips, virtual mapping, and other interactive activities to engage the public. They've also noticed an increased demand for outdoor activities and bicycle/pedestrian facilities and interest in online engagement.

   Paul Hubbman noted that he is in the final stages of engagement on existing Great Streets projects in Frenchtown and Alton. They have been able to implement inexpensive strategies such as yard signs and dynamic road signs. They have also set up a phone number that residents can call to receive a packet by mail, which includes print or DVD information about the project and a pre-addressed envelope so they can return comments.

   Taylor March announced that the kick-off for some of their planned activities has been postponed as they explore the best way to proceed. Trailnet has been working with The Untokening, a group which has requested no active planning or new engagement efforts during social distancing in order to protect communities.

8. **Other Business**
   Shaun Tooley announced that MODOT received 20% less revenue last month and is delaying lettings and the update to the 5-year Capital Program to focus on essential spending. There has been no discussion of furloughs or pay reduction at this time.

   Taylor March announced that Trailnet will be holding a virtual happy hour this Friday, May 15 at 5:00 pm to celebrate Bike From Home day, in place of Bike To Work Day, as well as a mobile scavenger hunt.

   GRG is planning a virtual celebration for the Gravois Greenway ribbon-cutting that was scheduled for the first week of June, details to come.

9. **Events/Announcements**
   a. APBP Webinars provided by GRG:
      i. May 20: 2020 Vision: Through the Lens of Equity
      ii. June 17: Taking Steps Towards Measuring the Pedestrian Environment
      iii. July 15: Victim Blaming in Crash Reporting: What It Is and How To Stop It
   b. PBIC Quick Build Networks for All: May 19 & 20 (pedbikeinfo.org/webinars/)
   c. Complete Streets Webinar Series (https://smartgrowthamerica.org/tag/complete-streets-webinar-series/)
   d. FHWA Bikeway Selection Guide Online Workshop: TBD

10. **Future Meetings**
    a. Next BPAC Meeting: July 8, 2020
    b. Gateway Bike Plan – Working Group Meeting Date: June 26, 2020

11. **Adjournment**
    The meeting adjourned at 3:00 p.m.