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

## Wednesday, November 9, 2022 - 2:00 pm

Meeting held virtually via GoToMeeting <a href="https://meet.goto.com/725665925">https://meet.goto.com/725665925</a>
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## **Meeting Agenda**

- 1. Introductions
- 2. Approval of Minutes from Previous Meeting August 10, 2022
- 3. Transportation Equity Analysis James Fister
- 4. Safe Streets Updates Jacque Knight
- 5. Brickline Greenway Mark Vogl
- 6. St. Charles County Gateway Bike Plan Sara Nelson
- 7. STP/CMAQ Solicitation Jason Lange
- 8. Other Business / Announcements
- 9. Upcoming Events
  - a. APBP webinars provided by GRG:
    - i. November 16: Centering Equity in Transportation Planning and Design
    - ii. December 14: Schools Streets: Testing Car-free Zones Around Schools
  - b. EWG Annual Meeting: November 17 Downtown Hilton at the Ballpark: https://www.ewgateway.org/amtg-2022/
  - c. Transportation Research Board (TRB) Annual Meeting: January 8-12, 2023 Washington DC: https://www.trb.org/AnnualMeeting/AnnualMeeting.aspx
- 10. **Next Meeting** February 8, 2023
- 11. Adjournment

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## Wednesday, August 10, 2022 - 2:00 pm

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## **Meeting Minutes**

#### **Members in Attendance:**

Kevin Jemison – IDOT

Tyler Lehde – MODOT (for Shaun Tooley) Jacque Knight – Community Mobility Committee Angelica Gutierrez – Great Rivers Greenway

Mark Vogl – Great Rivers Greenway John Kohler – City of St. Louis BPS

Scott Ogilvie - City of St. Louis

Taylor March - Trailnet

Sara Nelson – St. Charles County

Misty Bell - St. Louis County

Lisa Cagle - Metro

Jenny Reiman – Heartlands Conservancy

Chris Clercx – City of O'Fallon

## Others in Attendance:

Jen Wade – MODOT Cindy Simmons – MODOT Brandon Barke – MODOT Sam McCrory – Trailnet Cindy Mense – Trailnet Charles Bryson – Trailnet Mackenzie Menn – Citizens for Modern Transit Sheryll Williams – Great Rivers Greenway

Angela Hoffman – Washington University

Laurel Harrington – Horner & Shifrin

Mike Albin - Horner & Shifrin

George Karnezis

Rachel Witt

Matt Seggerman

Adam Treaster

Ryan Pendergast

Liz Kramer

## **East-West Gateway Staff:**

Rachael Pawlak Anna Musial

Jason Lange

Brad Williams

James Fister

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Paul Hubbman

Bailey DeJonge

Saranya Konala

Melissa Theiss - BPAC Coordinator

#### 1. Introductions

Jacque Knight called the meeting to order at 2:02 p.m.

#### 2. Approval of Minutes from Previous Meeting – May 11, 2022

The minutes were approved as proposed.

John Kohler made the motion to approve and Angelica Gutierrez seconded the motion.

#### 3. Safe Streets for All - Safety Action Plan

Anna Musial presented on East-West Gateway's current effort to submit an application for federal funding of a regional safety action plan under the IIJA's new Safe Streets for All (SS4A) program, which is funded for the next five years. Applications are due September 15, 2022 and awarded projects will be announced in January 2023. Applications will be evaluated based on safety impact and equity and applicants must have a safety action plan in place in order to apply for implementation funds. Other applicants within the region would be competing with EWG for action plan funding and that could potentially hurt their applications. If awarded, EWG will convene a regional task force to assist with plan development and implementation and the plan would likely be completed by early 2024. Local public agencies would then be able to apply for funds to implement items from the plan in SS4A application cycles starting in 2024. If the grant is not awarded, EWG intends to move forward

with development of a safety action plan through future SS4A funding rounds or other sources. The safety action plan would also be used by EWG to guide funding evaluations, other/future regional planning efforts, and other investments and improvements in the region.

Cindy Mense suggested a draft application narrative be shared with BPAC for feedback.

John Kohler suggested revising the name of the plan to not include "Vision Zero" due to negative perceptions of the program nationwide. This is a working title that may be changed as the plan moves forward but the goal will be still be zero fatalities.

#### 4. Great Rivers Greenway Regional Plan

Mark Vogl shared an update on GRG's regional plan, which is updated every 5 years. This is the fourth plan update since GRG was established in early 2000s. While the original plan laid out the concept for the river ring, updates look not just at building these greenways, but promoting and sustaining them and planning for maintenance. Key recommendations from the plan update focus on five areas: planning greenways, visitor experience, conservation, operations and maintenance, and equitable outcomes.

### 5. Brickline Greenway

Mark Vogl updated the committee on the Brickline Greenway's progress, including the status of multiple active projects within the greenway's footprint that are in various stages of development. When complete, the Brickline will connect four anchor institutions – Forest Park, Tower Grove Park, Fairgrounds Park, and the Gateway Arch National Park. It will not be just a linear greenway project, but will also incorporate parallel and intersecting routes and spurs.

#### 6. Other Business / Announcements

Rachael Pawlak announced that the Missouri 2022 Highway Safety and Traffic Conference will be held September 27-29 in Columbia, MO.

https://www.ghsa.org/events/upcoming/MoDOT/Highway-Safety-Traffic-Conference22

John Kohler announced that the annual Missouri Active Transportation Summit will be held this Friday, August 12 in Jefferson City, MO. There is also an option to attend virtually. https://mobikefed.org/2022MissouriActiveTransportationSummit

Karen Karabell was not present but shared via email that through a partnership between GRG and the American Bicycling Education Association, cyclists can go to cyclingsavvy.org and use the coupon code gatewaybikeplan for free lifetime access to "Ride Awesome," an encyclopedic series of beautifully produced videos on all aspects of safe cycling. Up to three "Train Your Bike" sessions (on-bike parking lot sessions) will be scheduled this fall.

## 7. Upcoming Events

- a. APBP webinars provided by GRG:
  - i. August 17: Data Don't Drive: The Limitations of Crash Data for Understanding Community Pedestrian And Bicycle Safety And Mobility Needs
  - ii. September 21: Partnering with Youth as Community Members and Advocates
  - iii. October 19: Assessment of Bicycle Detection Confirmation and Countdown Devices
- b. APBP Conference: August 22-24 Minneapolis, MN https://www.apbp.org/2022-apbp-conference
- c. NACTO Designing Cities: September 7-10 Boston, MA https://nacto.org/conference/designing-cities-2022-boston-cambridge-somerville/

## 8. **Next Meeting** – November 9, 2022

#### 9. Adjournment

The meeting adjourned at 3:13 p.m. John Kohler made the motion to adjourn and Taylor March seconded the motion.