

Ypsilanti Non-Motorized Advisory Committee Meeting Minutes

February 15, 2021 – Zoom Virtual Meeting

1. Call to order - The meeting was brought to order at 7:05pm by teleconference. Committee members attending were Jenny Connolly, Mike Davis Jr., Dylan Goings, Bob Krzewinski, and Helen Schulte (quorum met) . Also attending were City Public Services Department Project Manager Bonnie Wessler, City Planner Andy Aamodt, and City Council member Steve Wilcoxon.
2. Introductions - Audience participation - Public input – A brief discussion was held on audience participation.
3. General business
 - a. Agenda approval - Offered By: Committee member Davis; Seconded By: Committee member Schulte. Approved: Yes – 5; No – 0.
 - b. Approval of January meeting minutes - Offered By: Committee member Schulte; Seconded By: Committee member Davis. Approved: Yes – 5; No – 0.
 - c. Bylaws review - No pending Committee member terms ending until November 2021. Committee members Schulte and Goings reappointed for another two-year term by the Planning Commission at their January 20, 2021 meeting. Bob Krzewinski reappointed Committee Chair by the Planning Commission at their January 20, 2021 meeting. Motion made by Committee member Davis; Seconded by Committee member Schulte, to appoint Committee member Goings as Committee Vice-Chair. Approved: Yes – 5; No -0.
4. Old & continuing business
 - a. 2020 Committee priorities (Abbreviated List)
 1. City Non-Motorized Plan – Committee member Davis reviewed progress on the Plan update asking that the entire draft document be reviewed by Committee members with any input sent to him by the end of February. The plan would be to have the Committee give their approval of the draft Plan update at the next meeting (March 11, 2021) and then forwarding that document to the Planning Commission for their initial review at their March 17th meeting.
 2. Sidewalk curb cut inventory & improvements – Bonnie Wessler reviewed a draft five-year curb cut list with a discussion by the Committee to seek out public input, mainly from the disabled community, on additional curb cuts as well as provide the public with informational updates.
 3. Communication & Education – Winter Committee newsletter expected to be completed by the end of February and reviewed by Bonnie Wessler and Andy Aamodt before publication.
 4. Sidewalk/Curb Cut snow removal (winter) promotion by Committee – This will Continue with an emphasis on thanking those who promptly clear sidewalks and urging people to help neighbors who may be disabled or elderly in keeping their sidewalks clear.
 5. Bike Friendly Community (BFC) award – A recertification application must be completed by August 5, 2021 as the current award expires in November 2021. Also discussed was the America Walks Bike Friendly Community application which has upcoming deadlines of June 15 and December 15 in 2021 (Ypsilanti currently has a Honorable Mention status).
5. New Business
 - a. City Planning Department and Public Services Department updates – Bonnie Wessler discussed the Washtenaw Area Transportation Study (WATS) Tactical Urbanism Project (TUP) which involves implementing short term traffic calming ideas. Chelsea conducted a TUP project in 2020 and Ypsilanti City Council will review a Ypsilanti TUP project for 2021 at it's February 17th meeting. City Council will

also be reviewing on February 17th traffic calming requests by City residents on Second Street, Garland Street and Vinewood Street. Andy Aamodt also alerted the Committee that the City Master Plan update is currently in a public review process until March 18th (which may be extended) and can be viewed at <https://cityofypsilanti.com/civicalerts.aspx?aid=1245>.

6. Other Items – Committee member Krzewinski will meet by teleconference with Ron Akers and Bonnie Wessler at City Public Services in the near future to discuss items on the Committee priority list, namely curb cut improvements, bike lanes (spring repainting, sharrows incorporated into bike lanes that pass through intersections) and Border To Border Trail signage). The next Committee meeting will be March 11, 2021, 7pm by Zoom teleconference.
7. Adjournment – Offered by: Committee member Krzewinski; Seconded by: Committee member Schulte: Approved: Yes – 5; No – 0. Meeting adjourned at 8:04pm/