

CITY OF MONONA
Ad Hoc Pedestrian & Bicycle
Committee Wednesday, March 20, 2019
MINUTES

1. **Call To Order:** 6:05 PM by committee chair, Doug Wood.

2. **Roll Call:**

Ped/Bike Members Present: Chair Doug Wood, Alder Chad Speight, Julie Byrnes, Larry Reed, Angie Fassl, Leslie Busse

Ped/Bike Members Absent: Mary Possin

City Staff Present: Dan Stephany, Lt. Curt Wiegel, Brad Bruun, Jeff Johnson

Professional Guests:

Other Guests:

3. **Approval of Minutes:** Approved December 6, 2018 Minutes; First – Larry Reed, Second – Doug Wood

4. **Appearances:**

5. **Unfinished Business**

A. Review of the Monona Pedestrian & Bicycle Improvement Plan – 75% Draft

Staff member Brad Bruun asked the committee members to openly comment on the plan document.

The committee suggested that instead of creating appendices for related reports, sources, or data that these documents could be posted online and linked to using permalink. The committee suggested that figures should be numbered according to their sections. Also, that a table of contents should be included for figures with page numbers and titles. Staff referenced that they will attempt to list relevant grants as much as possible in the document where appropriate as well as in the priority project list developed by Strand.

The committee suggested finding a quote from the surveys relevant to the enforcement section and stated that in general if there are relevant quotes from previous surveys that are influential to a certain section that they should be called out in the plan instead of referred to via calling out the appendix they are in. Chad Speight stated that the existing ordinance relating to no bikes on Monona Drive sidewalks should be referenced in the Enforcement section. Doug Wood suggested that in a plan format as this one that road suffixes should not be abbreviated. Angie Fassl noticed that the delineated walk zone for Winnequah Elementary School is significantly smaller than anticipated and the size of a walk zone for a comparative elementary school should be referenced, possibly Taylor Prairie Elementary School in Cottage Grove. Doug suggested defining what a school walk zone is and how it is derived. Chad added that there should be a stated goal to expand the Winnequah Elementary Walk Zone.

Doug suggested that the education and encouragement sections should not be a laundry list of items and that there should be greater focus on the most important suggested policies or programs. The bullet points should be more concise and should not be full sentences. If full sentences are needed, then the bulleted list should be made into a paragraph. Doug suggested that we include more bike racks at City events and Larry commented that the Parks programs could add something related to active living and biking. Doug referenced the Traveling Tween camp.

Chad asked if there is a way that Monona could get a sign for entrances to the City that reference us as an Active Living Community or Health Conscious Community, much like the signs for a Dementia Friendly Community. This could be a suggestion in the plan under education and encouragement. Dan asked if there was a way to get more of the Bike Friendly Community signs to post at the City's entrances and main bike corridors.

Doug asked that in the enforcement section under next steps, the focus of Monona PD should be on school zones and safe routes to school. Also, add educational and encouragement programming by the Parks Department and at City Events (BCycle, E-Bikes, etc.), and to add more bike parking for larger City Events.

6. **New Business**
7. **Next Meeting: TBD**
8. **Adjournment:** Meeting adjourned at 8:00 PM. Motion – Leslie Busse, Second by – Larry Reed

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Please contact Brad Bruun, bbruun@ci.monona.wi.us, (608) 222-2525 with any questions about the minutes or meeting agendas – thank you.