

CITY OF NAMPA

NAMPA BICYCLE AND PEDESTRIAN ADVISORY COMMITTEE Minutes of the Regular Monthly Committee Meeting July 18, 2020

The regular monthly meeting of the Nampa Bicycle and Pedestrian Advisory Committee (NBPAAC) was held at the Nampa City Hall, Council Chambers and via Microsoft Teams Meeting, on Thursday, June 18, 2020, beginning at 4:00 P.M., pursuant to notice duly posted by the City Clerk and provided to the individual committee members by e-mail. Present at the meeting were the following:

Committee Members:
Present

Kasey Ketterling, Chair (City Hall)
Philip Peterson, Vice Chair (City Hall)
Bruce Wiley, Secretary (City Hall)
Tim Rigsby (Teams)
Bruce Purcell (City Hall)
Kelsey Parra (Teams)
Chasity Emerson (Teams)

City of Nampa Staff:
Present

Kristi Watkins, Planning & Zoning
John Spencer, Engineering
Cody Swander, Parks Dept.

Others Present: Braden Cervetti, COMPASS

Approval of Minutes from May 14, 2020 – Moved, Seconded, Approved.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

City opened for gatherings on June 15 so this meeting was delayed to wait for news of Phase 4 openings. Hoping that we will soon be able to meet in person.

EDUCATION

Chairman Kasey Ketterling requested ideas for educational discussion. Some ideas presented were:

- Nampa Bike Project Information
- Websites to investigate
- COMPASS Monthly Webinars – Braden Cervetti to send link
- Engineering processes from grant proposals or design, to build out
- What data is needed for installation of safety improvements?
- Please share any opportunities with the group, communicate via email

OLD BUSINESS

Updates from John Spencer on current projects:

- Midland & Blaine HAWK Signal – John showed photos and stated that the HAWK is operational as of today (June 18). Sidewalks, curb, gutter and signs have been posted. Just a little cleaning up left to do.
- RRFB on Iowa, to be installed later, City is working with Idaho Power at that location currently.
- Stoddard Pathway Phases 1 & 2 – are bidding at the same time. A pre-bid meeting has been held and they had quite few contractors attend, so they are hoping for a good turnout on the bids. More updates as we move along.

- Grimes Pathway Design – Karcher & McDonough park, path through parking area to the drain. At a future point it will cross over the drain, but not with this project. The other end of this current project is within an open space area at the end of an existing pathway in a subdivision out to Birch Ln. Will be finalizing the design plans on Monday, June 22, need to obligate funds in July. No schedule on the culvert or park portion of the pathway.
 - Cody Swander mentioned that the section from the drain out to 11th Ave N Ext is part of a grant application. We haven't gotten word on whether or not we were funded yet, but hoping to go to design in a year or two.

NEW BUSINESS

eBike State Policy – Bruce Wiley presented House Bill #76. He identified the different classes of eBikes:

- Class I – Motor assist when pedaling, stops when user stops pedaling. Assistance up to 20 mph.
- Class II - Don't have to pedal to engage motor, motor can be exclusive power. Assistance up to 20 mph max.
- Class III - Motor assist when pedaling, stops when user stops pedaling. Assistance up to 28 mph.
- All three classes are allowed on pathways by state code, city codes can be more restrictive.

The city does not currently have a code to enforce eBike usage or speed limits on the pathways. Parks and NPD needs a code/law to refer to for complaints and enforcement issues. Tim mentioned that we would like to hear from people that use e-bikes to see what their perspective might be. Bruce Wiley is going to research various other city codes for comparison and Kristi will send language to the Nampa Police to review. Kristi will research how to get a speed limit codified for the pathways. Discussion determined that under 15 mph is most appropriate for pathway safety. Kasey also requested information about “creating an unsafe environment” or “harassment” or “reckless behavior”. Bruce Purcell mentioned that “etiquette” signage along the Stoddard would be helpful. Cody mentioned that signs can be targets for vandalism, but if the city wanted to implement a speed limit/ebike classification sign that doesn't create an overabundance of signs. Would like to work with the City Streets Division to see if we can make the signs in house so they can be replaced quickly.

Pathway Connections/Counters – Tim Rigsby wanted to discuss options for counters at the Edwards Pathway and the Grimes Pathway. Braden Cervetti sent a link to request counter locations and installation to Kristi and Cody. 2 counters were requested, one at Midland & Edwards Path intersection and one at W Iowa (S Miller Way) and the Edwards Path Intersection to be installed in July. Will also discuss locations at Grimes and get a request in for that one too.

Next Meeting - Thursday, July 9, 2020, 4:00 p.m., Location Nampa City Hall Council Chambers.

Adjournment - Time: 4:46 PM

Bruce Wiley
Secretary

Kristi Watkins
Principal Planner, Nampa