



PEDESTRIAN, BICYCLE & TRAFFIC ADVISORY COMMITTEE MINUTES

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**Public Works Conference Room
433 North Virginia Street
Prescott, Arizona 86301
(928)777-1130**

**Monday, April 8, 2019
9:30 a.m.**

Minutes of the Pedestrian, Bicycle & Traffic Advisory Committee held on Monday, April 8, 2019, in the Public Works Conference Room, located at 433 North Virginia Street

- A. Call to Order – Bill Fanelli, Chairman

Meeting was called to order at 9:33 a.m.

- B. Roll Call

MEMBERS	
Bill Fanelli, Chairman	George Sheats, Vice-Chairman
David Fero	Sandra Smith
Jim Knaup	Sandy Stutey (arrived 10:00 a.m.)
Vacant	Mayor Pro Tem Orr

- C. Approval of Minutes from March 11, 2019 Meeting

GEORGE SHEATS MADE A MOTION TO APPROVE THE MINUTES FROM THE MARCH 11, 2019 MEETING: SANDRA SMITH 2ND MOTION, - PASSED 5-0.

- D. Cycling Without Age – Dr. Mark Shelley

A presentation on the program was provided by Dr. Shelley to the committee. The program began in Europe and links volunteers with senior citizens who are provided bicycle rides through the community. Dr. Shelley desires to start a chapter here in Prescott and is asking for support of the City in purchasing the first bike (\$10,500). Bill Fanelli asked if this would be a City funded program. Dr. Shelley answered that Cycling Without Age is a not for profit chapter and would run the program. Bill Fanelli asked how many bikes this program might support. Dr. Shelley thinks the area could keep 3 bikes booked and used to capacity. Dave Fero asked where the liability lies for a program like this. Dr. Shelly stated that West Yavapai Guidance Clinic is looking at covering the liability insurance.

BILL FANELLI MADE A MOTION TO ASK COUNCIL TO SUPPORT AND PROMOTE A CYCLING WITHOUT AGE CHAPTER IN PRESCOTT: GEORGE SHEATS 2ND MOTION, - PASSED 6-0.

E. Lee Blvd and SR 69 Intersection

Rich Caplan, a resident in Yavapai Hills, is concerned with the additional traffic load at Lee Blvd and SR69. He would like to see dedicated left turn arrows added to both north and southbound Lee Blvd at the intersection with SR69. Ian explained that ADOT controls the signal and that the signal operates with an acceptable level of service and does not display any crash problems due to the current operation. Mr. Caplan pointed out that there is an issue with northbound left movements turning into the farthest (slow) lane rather than the nearest (fast) lane as traffic laws state. This can create conflict with the southbound right turning vehicles and is causing frustration and a safety concern for Yavapai Hills residents. Officer Johnson will ask the PD traffic division to watch for this issue. Sandy Stutey suggested striping similar to the dashed turn lanes on Willow Creek Rd. at Willow Lake Rd. to aid in directing the turning vehicles to the proper lanes. The committee agreed this would help the situation.

BILL FANELLI MADE A MOTION TO ASK CITY STAFF TO SEND A LETTER TO ADOT ADDRESSING THE SAFETY CONCERNS AND SUGGESTED IMPROVEMENTS TO THE INTERSECTION OF LEE BLVD AND SR69: SANDY STUTEY 2ND MOTION, - PASSED 6-0.

F. Bike Lane Symbol Installation

Ian updated the members on progress of getting the bike lane symbols painted. Crews are actively out completing the work and it should be completed by the end of April, prior to the Whiskey Off Road race event.

G. Prescott Lakes Pkwy and Willow Lake Rd Pedestrian Access

George Sheats asked what the pedestrian access across Willow Lake Rd will be once the new traffic signal is installed. Ian indicated that the existing sidewalk on the west side of Prescott Lakes Pkwy will be extended. ADA ramps will be added to both the southwest and northwest corners as well, with a crosswalk added to cross Prescott Lakes Parkway. No cross walk will be provided to cross Willow Lake Rd. since this project does not include sidewalk on the north side of Willow Lake Rd. George stated that there needs to be access to get to the trail. Ian indicated that once the signal is installed, the City can revisit the area and determine if access can be added.

H. Safety Concerns from Members

Officer Johnson let the group know that on Wednesday April 10, the PPD Facebook live will feature safety in the downtown area.

George Sheats reported there have been requests for a sidewalk or pathway from Hassayampa Village at Thumb Butte Rd. to the downtown area as well as to the Thumb Butte parking area in the Forest Service.

George Sheats also mentioned that Costco has purchased the property south of their gas pumps. They will be moving the gas pumps to the new area. Ian stated that this should reduce the congestion that is currently affecting the 4-way stop at Liese and Walker near the current gas entrance.

Mayor Pro Tem Orr would like the arrows and signage on Montana at Willow Lake Rd. to be revised. One lane is marked Left turn only, the other is marked Right turn only and there is no indication that vehicles may go straight across the intersection into the shopping center. Ian will update the right lane marking to indicate a thru/right movement is permitted and have the signage changed out as well.

David Fero has several bike loop indicators that are not tripping for bicycles, Ruth going north across Whipple, Division going north across Whipple, Rosser going west across SR 89 does not have a loop so it is difficult to access Rosser.

Sandra Smith has concerns regarding the construction project detour routes. The many closures are creating limited to no alternative mobility access through the construction zones. Sandra stated that the Carleton/Cortez project is particularly challenging. Ian will look into any changes that can be made to traffic control plans to address this.

Mayor Pro Tem Orr asked if traffic at Basis school can be reviewed. The parents vehicles line Prescott Lakes Pkwy from the school entrance south to Blooming Hills Dr. David Fero pointed out that the bike lane is blocked during drop off and pick up.

I. Monthly Review of Bike and Pedestrian Collisions

Collision at Aubrey and Cortez, an alternative mobility pedestrian was hit by a driver who stated the detour contributed to the accident.

Collision at 6th St. and Navajo, pedestrian purposefully stepped into oncoming traffic and was struck.

J. Current Road Project Updates

The pre-construction meeting for the signal at Prescott Lakes Pkwy and Willow Lake Rd. is scheduled and construction will begin soon.

Our striping contractor is actively striping.

K. Upcoming Major Pedestrian Related Projects

George Sheats noted that at the upcoming CYMPO meeting on May 8th, there will be discussion about trail connectivity and the need to mention it within the 2045 Regional Transportation Plan Update which is underway.

Sandy Stutey mentioned that CYMPO had a 2045 online survey link on their website. The website is www.cympo.org.

L. Safety Signage at Cortez and Sheldon Intersection

Ian presented signing options for this intersection that includes symbol signing that prohibits pedestrian crossing, "No Pedestrian Crossing" signing and "Use Crosswalk" with arrow signing at each corner. This signing if approved will be installed on newly placed 6-8' wide handrails.

BILL FANELLI MADE A MOTION TO SUGGEST CITY STAFF PLACE THE 3 SUGGESTED SIGNS AT EACH CORNER: SANDY STUTEY 2ND MOTION, - PASSED 4-2.

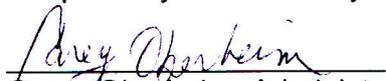
M. Next Meeting

The next meeting will be held on May 13th, 2019.

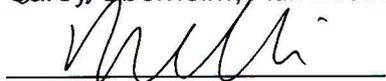
N. Adjournment

There being no further business to discuss, the meeting was adjourned at 11:28 a.m.

Respectfully Submitted by:



Carey Oberheim, Administrative Assistant



Bill Fanelli, Chairman

Date: 5/13/19