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Bicycle and Pedestrian Committee
Thursday, May 18, 2017
10:30 a.m.
NWMC Offices
1600 E. Golf Road, Suite 0700, Des Plaines

AGENDA

- I. Call to Order/ Introductions
- II. Approval of April 18, 2017 Meeting Minutes (Attachment A)

 Action Requested: Approval of Minutes

III. NWMC Multimodal Transportation Plan

Staff will present the draft RFQ for updates to the NWMC Bike Plan to the committee for comments and approval and will also share input from this week's CMAP Local Technical Assistance seminar.

Action Requested: Discussion/Approval

IV. Sidewalk, Parkway and Alleyway Maintenance

Staff will discuss the results of a recent NWMC survey regarding parkway maintenance and snow removal.

Action Requested: Informational/Discussion

V. Legislative Update

Staff will provide an update on relevant legislation pending in the Illinois General Assembly.

Action Requested: Informational.

VI. Other Business

VII. Next Meeting

The next meeting of the NWMC Bicycle and Pedestrian Committee will be scheduled for June 20, 2017.

Action Requested: Informational

VIII. Adjournment

Northwest Municipal Conference
Bicycle and Pedestrian Committee
Tuesday, April 18, 2017
Draft Meeting Minutes
10:30 a.m.
NWMC Offices

Committee Members Present:

Arlene Juracek, Chair, Village of Mount Prospect
AC Buehler, Vice Chair, Village of Northbrook
Richard Bascomb, Village of Schaumburg
Mike Hankey, Village of Hoffman Estates
Andrew Jennings, Village of Wheeling
Brooke Jones, Village of Wheeling
Joe Kenney, Village of Glenview
Katie Knapp, City of Evanston (via phone)

Others Present:

Brian Pigeon, NWMC Mike Walczak, NWMC

I. Call to Order/ Introductions

Mayor Juracek called the meeting to order at 10:33 a.m. and asked those present for introductions.

II. Approval of March 21, 2017 Meeting Minutes.

On a motion by Mr. Hankey, seconded by Trustee Buehler, the committee voted to approve the minutes as presented.

III. NWMC Multimodal Transportation Plan

Mr. Walczak discussed the RFQ scope of work with updates to reflect comments from the March meeting. He described Task 1 as a review of the 2010 plan and Task 2 as a review of the existing sidewalk network.

Mayor Jueacek asked if Pace bus stops would be reviewed. Mr. Walczak confirmed that they would be and noted that Pace is transitioning to fixed-routes but some flag-stop service remains.

Mr. Walczk then described tasks 3,4, and 5; reviewing challenges to accessing regional transit network, outreach strategy and best practices, respectively.

Mr. Jennings asked if there was a way to measure safety improvements due to new infrastructure.

Mr. Bascomb discussed how best practices were introduced in the Schaumburg Bike Plan update. Mayor Juracek suggested the possibility of a toolkit for possible

alternatives municipalities could use. Mr. Jennings suggested scenario-based alternatives.

Mr. Jennings said we need to define exactly how much of the 2010 plan is being reviewed. Mr. Walczak asked the committee if tasks 1 and 5 could be combined. Mayor Juracek asked if the best practices would be generic or specific. Mr. Walczak said generic. Then Mayor Juracek said perhaps the decision to combine tasks 1 and 5 should be left up to the consultant.

Ms. Knapp asked if best practices included planning practices or specifically addresses on-street treatments.

Mayor Juracek suggested that task 3 may include how to deal with first-responders. She asked if staff had a list of consultants the RFQ would be sent to. Mr. Walczak replied that there was a list.

He discussed a recent controversy surrounding the NWMC Special Projects fund and noted that use of the fund was under review. He described CMAP's Local Technical Assistance program as a possible fund source.

Mr. Kenney asked what CMAP's timeline for the LTA program was. Mr. Walczak replied that applications would be due in May with a decision over the summer and bids after that.

IV. Legislative Update

Mr. Pigeon discussed the progress of bike/ped related bills in the Illinois general assembly including HB 625 the bill introduced by Rep. David Harris in response to the fatality on Central Rd. in Mt. prospect. He noted that the bill passed the House overwhelmingly and Sen. Tom Rooney of Rolling Meadows had signed on as chief sponsor in the Senate.

V. Project Updates

Mr. Walczak reported that the CMAQ project selection committee had recently approved a cost increase for the covered bike parking project at the Mt. Prospect Metra station. Mr. Pigeon reported that the same committee approved the reinstatement of funds for Lincolnwood's bike and pedestrian bridge over Touhy Avenue on the Skokie Valley Trail and that construction was expected to begin later in t 2017.

VI. Other Business

None

VII. Next Meeting

Mayor Juracek announced that the next meeting was scheduled for May 16.

VIII. Adjournment

On a motion by Mr. Bascomb, seconded by Trustee Buehler, the committee voted to adjourn at 11:10 a.m.