

## Fairhope Pedestrian and Bicycle Committee Meeting Minutes

Date: 2/2/2021

Committee Member Attendees: Gary Gover; Katie Bolton; Michelle Melton; Rosalie Stromme; Bill Hall; Jason Small; John Kavanagh; Robert Brown.

Committee Member Absentees: Chris Riley; Chris Knight.

Guests: Richard Johnson; Audrey Ivans.

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Meeting called to order at 4:02 pm by Bill Hall

Motion carried unanimously to approve 1/5/2021 minutes.

Committee Membership: Fairhope City Council approved the Committee appointment applications for Chris Knight and John Kavanagh. Committee contact phone number sheet was completed by those in attendance.

\*\*\***Action item**: Rosalie Stromme will email absentees and obtain their preferred phone numbers for committee use only so that this master list can be distributed at our next meeting\*\*\*

Bicycle Repair Station: Jason Small distributed hand-outs on his research for one bicycle repair station. The product is Fixit Model #509-2001 and has a retail price of approximately \$1,700 (discounts be may available at time of purchase); sales contact is Noelle Lahey 800-695-3503 ext. 374. The Fairhope Cycling Project and/or ADECA has a possible grant that could cover its cost. \*\*\***Action item**: Committee members will review Jason's hand-out for any questions/concerns before grant application process begins. \*\*\*

ESMPO Update: Katie Bolton attended the January 2021 meeting and reports the following information: 1. Roundabout on County Road 13 and Twin Beach Road is approved and is currently under engineering review with anticipated completion in approx. 1 year. 2. Triangle property has been approved for trails with estimated completion of approx. 2 years.

Twin Beach Road; Richard Johnson provided information that Twin Beach Road between Greeno Road and County Road 13 will have its speed limit reduced from 45mph to 35mph. Richard is going to Fairhope Council this month with ideas for improving intersection of Twin Beach Road and Boothe Road where new Dollar General is located (roundabout costs approx. \$1.5 million whereas signaling would cost \$175,000).

Bicycle Friendly & Safe Community Application Update: Bill Hall has distributed this online application to Jessica Walker or Richard Johnson with a return deadline date to our committee of April 1<sup>st</sup> for review.

Fels Avenue to Pier Avenue Sidewalk Expansion: Richard Johnson is working with Stacy McKean (grant writer) to fund this project with ESMPO.

Infrastructure Wish List: P&B Google Drive that was compiled to address specific places in Fairhope for P&B improvements; the entire master list can be accessed at <https://drive.google.com/drive/folders/1OqJketWWPva9H6mFoZPACC4cVzEhyQei>.

\*\*\*\***Action items**: Bill Hall to provide tutorial to all committee members who volunteered to determine status of the listed items. Committee members assigned to portions of the list are to edit online from their handwritten notes about visual inspections of Wish List Items.

- a) ADA Accessibility, Pedestrian Crossings – Chris R.
- b) Fairhope Lanes – Chris K.
- c) Bike Parking - Michelle and Katie
- d) Sidewalks – John and Gary

In our next meeting, we will then be able to form 3 approaches to items on Wish List;

1. Completed – no further work needed;
2. Normal Maintenance to be repaired with a Work Order (311 ticket);
3. Capital Expenditure requiring funding from various sources. \*\*\*

Bike Rack Installations: Bike Racks on De La Mare outside of Fly Bar have still not been reinstalled yet. Richard Johnson is still closing out Hurricane Sally requirements with FEMA before City can return to normal operation. Richard anticipates normal operations to resume by March 2021.

NPS Connectivity Master Plan: No update.

Wayfaring Signage: This project is waiting for funding from FTA.

Police Officer Bicycle Training Seminars: Gary Gover reported that Tyron Hoskins, Executive Assistant to Chief of Police, was not certain which police officer attended a Bicycle Training Seminar in December 2019. Gary reported that there is another Bicycle Law class being offered to police.

New Business:

1. GIS Inventory of Fairhope sidewalks – Sidewalk Master Mapping Overlay for ADA compliance will have its first draft completed soon and Richard Johnson offered to provide a presentation to Pedestrian and Bicycle Committee at our April 2021 meeting.

2. ESMPO Meetings: There are Zoom opportunities to join/listen if physical attendance is not feasible.

3. Guest Audrey Ivans attended meeting to see if there was a way she could be of service to this committee.

Next scheduled meeting: March 2, 2021 at 4:00 p.m. – Museum Conference Room.

Meeting adjourned at 4:45 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Rosalie Stromme, Secretary