

Fairhope Pedestrian and Bicycle Committee Meeting Minutes

Date: 3/2/2021

Committee Member Attendees: Gary Gover; Katie Bolton; Chris Knight; Rosalie Stromme; Bill Hall; Chris Riley; John Kavanagh

Committee Member Absentees: Jason Small; Michelle Melton.

Meeting called to order at 4:03 pm by Bill Hall

Motion carried unanimously to approve 2/2/2021 minutes.

Committee Membership: Confidential Committee Member phone list was distributed to attendees. Robert Brown resigned from City Council and is therefore no longer City Council representative for this committee.

*****Action item:** Bill Hall will contact Lisa Hanks for an appointee or volunteer from current City Council to replace Robert Brown on this committee. ***

Triangle Property: Richard Johnson and Jessica Walker provided Bill Hall with a proposed map of the Recreational Trails Grant – North project (copy of map distributed at meeting to attendees); Richard and Jessica had asked Bill Hall to write a letter of committee endorsement of this Triangle project which has already been submitted with the grant.

*****Action item:** Bill Hall will provide a copy of his grant letter to the rest of the P&B committee members. ***

*****Action item:** Richard Johnson to provide an explanation of the type of surface to be used in the map's "New 8-foot Multi-Use All Weather Surface – 1.5 miles".

Bicycle Repair Station: Two stations will be needed – one at the proposed Triangle property which was part of its entire grant request and one at the Pier Avenue location. The Fairhope Cycling Project and/or ADECA have possible grants to cover the Pier Avenue location.

Bicycle Friendly & Safe Community Application Update:

*****Action item**: Jessica Walker and Richard Johnson to complete their sections of this application by 4/1/2021 and return it to Bill Hall so that committee can discuss any additional information needed during 4/6/2021 meeting.***

Infrastructure Wish List: This Wish List was compiled to address specific places in Fairhope for recommended P&B improvements; the entire master Wish List can be accessed on the P&B Google Drive:

<https://drive.google.com/drive/folders/1OqJketWWPva9H6mFoZPACC4cVzEhyQei>.

John Kavanagh and Gary Gover reviewed their Sidewalk observations & comments; the following line items that have not yet been completed but are determined to be of highest priority with the biggest positive impact for the community are:

- a) Twin Beech from Rte 13 to Rte 181;
- b) Nichols from Ingleside to Bishop;
- c) Morphy Ave from Greeno to Thompson Hall;
- d) Blue Island and Fairwood Ave from Fairhope to Bayou and Patlynn to Jan – TAP grant in process;
- e) Patlynn from Gayfer to Greenwood;
- f) Parker Road from Main St to Greeno.

Other items on the Sidewalk Wish List were reviewed and deemed to be of lower priority affecting fewer members of the community.

******Action items**: Committee will discuss during April 2021 meeting the 3 other sections of the Wish List – Bike Parking (Michelle and Katie have already uploaded their comments into the master list); Fairhope Lanes – (Chris Knight has already

uploaded his comments into the master list); ADA Accessibility (Chris Riley – master list has not yet been updated online with his comments)***

Bike Rack Installations: Bike Racks on De La Mare outside of Fly Bar have still not been reinstalled yet.

*****Action items**: Richard Johnson to provide status of rack reinstallation***

Police Officer Bicycle Training Seminars: Gary Gover reported that in fact no Fairhope police department representative attended a Bicycle Safety Training Seminar held in December 2019. Bicycles that had been used by Fairhope police to patrol parts of the city have been put into storage and there is little expectation that that type of patrolling will resume.

Next scheduled meeting: April 6, 2021 at 4pm – Museum Conference Room.

Meeting adjourned at 5:00pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Rosalie Stromme, Secretary