Fairhope Pedestrian and Bicycle Committee Meeting Minutes

Date: 3/8/2022

Committee Member Attendees: Gary Gover; Rosalie Stromme; Bill Hall; Katie Bolton; Chris

Riley; Michelle Melton

Committee Member Absentees: John Kavanagh; Chris Knight

Guests in attendance: Jessica Walter; Hunter Simmons; James Watkins of the Fairhope Times

City Councilman representative: None were in attendance.

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

Motion carried to approve 2/1/2022 minutes.

<u>Administrative Items</u>: The Pedestrian and Bicycle Committee meeting for the months of March, April and May shall be held in the Giddens Auditorium; the committee will meet for the months of June-December 2022 in the second floor boardroom of the Fairhope Public Library.

<u>Arts and Crafts Festival Bike Valet:</u> Festival to be held on March 18-19-20, 2022 will be seeking volunteers to staff the Bike Valet tent. Many of the volunteer slots have been filled to date.

Pedestrian and Bicycle Committee Input for city projects:

- a) Working Waterfront Project Project has a work session scheduled for Monday 3/14 at 4:30pm.
 - ***Action Item: Bill Hall to advise Chris Knight and John Kavanagh of this work session to see if one or both of them could attend as committee representatives.
- b) Triangle Project Richard Johnson must first set up a meeting with Alabama Forestry Management representatives to determine the impact on flora and fauna on this acreage before any design and soil disturbance can begin.
- c) Complete Streets Project
 - ***Action Item: Bill Hall and Gary Gover will give the Complete Streets Resolution to the Land Use Team Consultants for possible inclusion into future city planning.

<u>Fels Avenue to Pier Avenue:</u> ***Action Item: Rosalie Stromme to send a committee thank-you email to Richard Johnson for the installation of the Reflective Pavement Markers.

<u>Sidewalk Improvements:</u> Citizen reactions to the Equality Avenue Sidewalk Repainting have been positive with suggestions for other Fairhope sidewalk repainting opportunities.

***Action Item: Chris Riley will begin the process of expanding sidewalk repainting to the Fairhope Furniture Consignment store on North Section and at the Fels Avenue/South Section area near Rambo's Auto Service.

<u>BCT Safe Routes to School Task Force:</u> Charlene Lee has advised that the Safe Routes to School Task Force has a full membership at this time; when it becomes appropriate in the future, she will then recontact the Pedestrian & Bicycle Committee for a volunteer to sit on a future subcommittee when/if they are formed.

<u>Full Comprehensive Land Use public forums:</u> The final presentation of public feedback findings will be held on 3/8/2022 at 5:30pm at the Fairhope Civic Center.

****Action Item: All P & B committee members are encouraged to attend the final presentation session on 3/8/2022.

<u>New Business:</u> Hunter Simmons provided copies of 4 GIS maps for Fairhope's sidewalk inventory circa 2016. Three of the maps are segmented by elementary school districts (i.e Fairhope East, Fairhope West and J. Larry Newton Elem); the fourth map contains bike routes (existing and proposed) along or near the Eastern Shore Trail. There are gaps in the sidewalk inventory as of 2022 and Hunter will set up a GIS application and make it available to committee members by the April meeting so that a uniform procedure can be followed to provide corrections/updates as of 2022.

Next scheduled meeting: April 5, 2022 at 4pm in the Giddens Auditorium.

Meeting adjourned at 4:58pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Rosalie Stromme, Secretary