

1. CALL TO ORDER: (4:02)

2. ROLL CALL:

Members Present: Barkalow (at 5:10), Billings, Brandt, Carolan, Daubs, Neilly, Prouty,
Schramm, Scott, Whyte

Guest: Sara Mentzer

3. MINUTES:

- a. Bicycle and Pedestrian Advisory Committee – April 24, 2018
Motion by Brandt, seconded by Scott, to approve the minutes.
All ‘Ayes’, minutes approved.

4. BIKE TO WORK WEEK RECAP:

Billings provided the Committee with a recap of attendance, feedback, and areas for improvement on next years Bike To Work Week activities. Areas for improvement include reaching out to potential sponsors sooner, continue to have a public input project, food events by local groups, have bike swag to give away at pit stops.

5. MASTER TRAIL PLAN MAP UPDATE:

Billings recapped a recommended list she discussed in previous meetings, noting that it was not a huge change to the map, but one that was important for future grant proposals or street construction projects.

- **S. 22nd St.** (3rd-6th Ave): Bike Blvd... if stop sign when crossing 5th Avenue
- **N/S collector between Alburnett and N. 10th Street:** Bike Lanes and Sidepath
- **SRTS Trail:** Sidepath
- **1st Avenue** (15th Street to 31st Street): Sidepath

Motion by Whyte, seconded by Brandt, to approve the identified amendments to the Master Trails Plan Map. All “Ayes”, motion approved.

6. BE WELL MARION PROJECTS:

Sara Mentzer, of Be Well Marion (formerly Blue Zones Marion) spoke to the Committee regarding the accomplishments of the Blue Zones program in Marion and informed the Committee that the certification period through Blue Zones has ended and the City is continuing with new goals under a ‘Be Well Marion’ initiative. Sara’s time is contracted by the City, but through the help of the City and various community organizations, the new goals of Be Well Marion will be realized.

She provided a handout of the five major initiatives of the program and noted projects that have been recommended within each of the initiatives. She explained that she was looking for feedback from the Committee on projects that they would like to take the lead on, or coordinate efforts with.

7. TOWER TERRACE ROAD SIDEPATH DISCUSSION:

Billings informed the Committee that the design for Tower Terrace Road between Alburnett Road and C Avenue is underway. Anderson-Bogert, the engineering design consultant, has asked City staff for commitment of a desired sidepath width for design purposes. The question is whether the City wants to commit to an eight-foot sidepath on both sides of Tower Terrace or a six-foot sidewalk and a ten-foot sidepath. Carolan added that the maintenance of an eight or a ten-foot sidepath was not an issue, but he preferred a ten-foot sidepath for user experience. Whyte suggested that the bike lanes identified in the original plan be taken out of the roadway cross section when the travel lanes are increased from one to two lanes in each direction. He noted that the reduction of the bike lane area could allow for a ten-foot sidepath in each direction, and potentially allow for less right-of-way acquisition.

The Committee had a discussion on types of users, speeds, and cyclist experience that would be anticipated on a bike lane next to two lanes of traffic traveling 35-45mph. The Committee felt that eliminating the bike lanes with the full buildout of the vehicular travel lanes was an ideal choice.

Motion by Whyte, seconded by Scott, to approve the following:

Understanding that the future phase of Tower Terrace Road from Alburnett Road to C Avenue will be designed and constructed with ten-foot sidepaths in each direction, and

Further understanding that the initial phase of Tower Terrace Road will include the construction of a bike lane and single lane of vehicular traffic in each direction, and

Further understanding that when traffic counts warrant the construction of additional vehicular travel lanes, the existing bike lanes will be removed to be counted towards the vehicular travel lanes. The location and width of the sidepaths will remain unchanged.

All "Ayes", motion passed.

8. OTHER BUSINESS:

It was suggested to include bollards on the Grant Wood Trail at street crossings to deter unauthorized vehicles on the trail.

9. ADJOURN:

With no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 5:31pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Larry Scott, Secretary