



Bicycle and Pedestrian Advisory Committee

Monday, December 20, 2010 – 7 p.m.
Municipal Center – Room 247
400 S. Eagle Street

AGENDA

A. Call to Order

B. Public Forum

C. Approval of Meeting Summary – October 18, 2010

D. Correspondence

1. Trail Crossing at 75th Street and Book Road (November 23, 2010 Letter from DuPage County Division of Transportation)

E. Old Business

1. FY 10-11 BIP Work Program Update

F. New Business

1. Illinois Route 59 Bikeway
2. Trail Impacts on Real Estate Values (no attachment)

G. Next Meeting Date – February 21, 2011

H. Adjournment

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Bicycle and Pedestrian Advisory Committee Meeting Summary **DRAFT UNTIL APPROVED** October 18, 2010

Present: Tom Craighead, Jeannette DiGiovine-Gehrs, Amy Hausman, Mark Jaynes, Lee Nye, Eric Peterson, Todd Stocke

Absent: Tom Buffington, Keith Luhrs

City of Naperville Staff: Karyn Robles, Rory Fancler, Sean Marquez

Naperville Park District Staff:

Members of public: David Green, Tim Joyce, Chris TerMaat, Wesley Wong, Orhan I. Ulger

A. Call to Order

- Jaynes called the meeting to order at 7:02 p.m.

B. Public Forum

C. Approval of Meeting Summary

- Craighead made a motion to approve the September 20, 2010 meeting minutes. Nye provided a second and the motion carried.

D. Correspondence - None

E. Old Business

E1. FY10-11 BIP Work Program – BPAC reviewed the status of projects included on the FY 10-11 Bicycle Implementation Plan Work Program. Robles updated the committee on the following projects:

- DuPage River Trail, Segment 2: Segment 2 of the DuPage River Trail is now complete and a ribbon cutting was held on October 4, 2010. Final landscaping will occur in Spring 2011.
- DuPage River Trail, Segment 4: Segment 4 is now open to the public and a ribbon cutting was held on September 24, 2010.
- Jefferson Street Bridge: Work on the Bridge is now complete and the bridge was officially opened to the public on September 3, 2010.
- Bike Rack Fundraising Program: All of the racks have been delivered and installation is being scheduled.
- Naperville Biking Map and Guide: A question was asked regarding the ability to print additional maps. Robles noted that there is money in this year's budget to print additional maps. Peterson commented that prior to printing additional street names should be added to the map.

F. New Business

F1. Vacant Bicycle and Pedestrian Advisory Committee Position: Each interested applicant provided a brief statement outlining their interest in serving as a member of BPAC. Following deliberation, the Committee voted to the nominate Cindi Swanson to fill the

vacant Committee position. Staff will forward the Committee's recommendation to the Transportation Advisory Board for their November 6, 2010 meeting.

- F2. Fancler and Marquez provided an overview of the 2011 New Sidewalk Policy and Recommendations. A question was asked regarding whether or not any public comment had been received. Staff responded that the public comment received to date was from residents of the Naperville Heights subdivision and that they were in support of the recommendation. A question regarding public notice was asked, and Fancler responded that each resident will receive a letter informing them of the city's recommendations and notifying them of the public hearing at TAB on November 6. Notice of the public hearing will also be published in the Naperville Sun. Following discussion, the Committee voted unanimously in favor of the 2011 Annual Sidewalk Program.
- F3. Staff provided information regarding a bicycle incident at the intersection of Book Rd. and 75th St. Information was provided that outlined the jurisdiction of the intersection with the crossing location being the responsibility of Naperville Township and the intersection falling under DuPage County's jurisdiction. Staff also outlined possible solutions/improvements to this location and recommended that staff draft a letter to be sent to DuPage County, Naperville Township, and the DuPage Forest Preserve outlining the Committee's concerns. The Committee held discussion regarding possible improvements to the crossing and requested that staff draft a letter and provide it electronically to the Committee for review prior to sending it out.
- F4. Staff provided an overview of the documents included as part of the 2010 Guide.
- F5. The proposed 2011 BPAC meeting schedule was discussed, and the Committee requested that staff revise the schedule so that meetings will occur monthly in the spring months. Staff also suggested that the meeting schedule can be revisited half way through the year to determine how frequently the committee would like to meet during the second half of 2011.

H. Next Meeting – December 20, 2010

I. Adjournment

- The meeting ended at 8:25 p.m.



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November 23, 2010

Ms. Karyn Robles
Transportation and Planning Team Leader
City of Naperville
400 S. Eagle Street, P.O. Box 3020
Naperville, IL 60566-7020

Re: Trail Crossing
CH 33/75th Street and Book Road

Dear Ms. Robles:

This is in response to a letter from Mark Jaynes, Chairman of the Bicycle and Pedestrian Advisory Committee expressing safety concerns related to the path that crosses the south leg of the above referenced intersection. I have reviewed the e-mail you forwarded to me and field checked the intersection to determine if the modifications suggested would enhance the safety for trail users crossing the south leg of the intersection. Based on our field observations there appear to be three modifications and/ or additions to signage and pavement markings that can be made to enhance the safety of trail users crossing Book Road. The first two modifications will be made as soon as the schedule of our maintenance crews permits and the third modification will occur next year as a part of our pavement marking program. The modifications we propose to make in the vicinity of the intersection are as follows:

- Add a "No-Turn on Red When Pedestrians Are Present" sign for northbound traffic on Book Road at 75th Street.
- Relocate the existing trail crossing warning signs for right turning and left turning traffic on 75th Street closer to the Book Road intersection.
- Modify the cross walk marking for the trail across Book Road to a "Piano Key" style crosswalk to make the crosswalk more visible to drivers.

Thank you for taking the time to write to us and express your concerns associated with our County Highway system. If you have any questions regarding planned course of action please do not hesitate to contact me.

Very truly yours,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Charles F. Tokarski".

Charles F. Tokarski, P.E.
County Engineer

Cc: Dave Ziesemer, P.E., Traffic Engineer

**Bicycle Implementation Plan
Work Program for FY10-11 Update
December 2010**

ROUTE	PROJECT NAME	DESCRIPTION	PROJECT TASKS (May 2010-April 2011)	DELIVERABLES	STATUS
A	DuPage River Trail, Segment 2 (75 th Street and Washington Street pedestrian underpasses)	Off-street connection and bicycle/pedestrian tunnel between Segments 1 and 3 of DuPage River Trail	Construct path and tunnel in coordination with the 75 th and Washington improvements	Construction is scheduled for completion in Fall 2010.	Trail opened October 4, 2010.
B	DuPage River Trail, Segment 4	Off-street extension of DuPage River Trail from 87 th to Knoch Knolls Park	Construct off-street path	Construction is scheduled for completion in Summer 2010.	Trail opened September 24, 2010.
C	Jefferson Street Bridge	Bridge improvements will incorporate bicycle and pedestrian accommodations	Bridge re-construction	Construction is scheduled for completion in Fall 2010.	Bridge opened September 3, 2010.
	Bike Path Maintenance Plan	Develop a plan and timeline for including trail maintenance in the CIP	Inventory trail ownership, partnership contracts, and trail implementation dates to develop a maintenance plan	Proposed maintenance plan will be available for 2011 CIP development.	Project research and inventory complete. Memo to City Council in January 2011.
	Bike Rack Grant Program	Develop and implement fundraising program for bicycle racks to be added in the Downtown and near the Riverwalk	Coordinate with BPAC, the Riverwalk Commission, and the Park District to approve logistics and distribute program details to local clubs	Implementation of bike racks in Downtown and near the Riverwalk.	Bike racks installed in December 2010.
	On-street Route Implementation	On-street bike route designation	Identify proposed routes from the BIP to be incorporated into the FY11-12 Work Program	Evaluate 1-2 routes for on-street implementation.	On hold.
	Naperville Biking Map & Guide	Provide bike map electronically	Promote availability through e-notices and postcard distribution; improve printability	Provide an electronic map update following the completion of the 75 th and Washington and DuPage River Trail projects.	Printing instructions posted. Update anticipated in Spring 2011.
	Bike Education and Encouragement	Pursue opportunities to educate residents, encourage bicycling, and promote safety	Coordinate with DuPage County on Bike to Metra events, promote Bike Month in June, work with BPAC to promote biking and walking through educational messages	Promote Bike to Metra, Bike Month, and distribute educational messages.	Bike Month planning complete; Bike to Metra on June 14, 2010.

Approved by the City Council – April 20, 2010

Approved by the Transportation Advisory Board – March 6, 2010; Approved by the Bicycle and Pedestrian Advisory Committee – February 22, 2010

**CITY OF NAPERVILLE
MEMORANDUM**

DATE: December 13, 2010

TO: Bicycle and Pedestrian Advisory Committee

FROM: Jennifer Louden, Project Engineer

SUBJECT: Illinois Route 59 Bikeway

ACTION REQUESTED:

Provide a recommendation on the incorporation of a bikeway in the Illinois Route 59 Expansion project.

BACKGROUND:

In June 2003 the City of Naperville and the Illinois Department of Transportation (IDOT) began an engineering study to identify improvements to address traffic congestion and safety along Illinois Route 59 between Ferry Road and Aurora Avenue/New York Street. Key improvements identified through the study include the addition of a third through lane in both the south and north directions and additional turn lanes at major intersections.

Bicycle and pedestrian accommodations have been evaluated as part of the study. In December 2003, city staff and BPAC discussed potential methods for accommodating bicyclists. BPAC recommended that bicycle routes parallel to Illinois Route 59 be provided as opposed to constructing wide outside travel lanes or an off-street path immediately adjacent to the roadway. As a result, the project was designed to include a sidewalk on both sides of the roadway for the full length of the project, except under the Burlington Northern Santa Fe Railway viaduct, where sidewalk can only be provided on the west side of the roadway.

INFORMATION:

On June 1, 2010, IDOT established a policy to implement the Illinois Complete Streets law on all current and future state highway projects. Because construction has not yet begun on the Illinois Route 59 project, the plan has been revised to incorporate a bikeway to meet the Complete Streets requirement.

Bikeway Location and Description

The proposed bikeway will be located along the west side of Illinois Route 59 between Aurora Avenue/New York Street and North Aurora Road. The bikeway will be located along the east side of the roadway between North Aurora Road and Ferry Road. For the majority of the project the bikeway will be ten feet wide and will be separated from the roadway by a minimum 4.5-foot wide parkway. The path and parkway will be narrower in three locations due to existing physical constraints:

- Burlington Northern Santa Fe Railway Viaduct – The bikeway will be reduced to a 7-foot wide sidewalk under the viaduct in order to fit within the existing structure. Users will be required to walk their bikes through this area. South of the viaduct, the parkway width will be reduced to 3.5 feet for approximately 400 feet to fit within the space available between the roadway and the pump station driveway that runs parallel to the roadway.
- East Side of Illinois Route 59, Just North of LaSalle Street – The bikeway width will be reduced to eight feet and the parkway width will be reduced to one foot for approximately 300 feet due to limited space between the roadway and the Pebblewood Plaza parking lot.
- East Side of Illinois Route 59, Just South of Diehl Road – The bikeway width will be reduced to eight feet and the parkway width will be reduced to three feet for approximately 400 feet due to limited space between the roadway and the Red Roof Inn parking lot.

City of Naperville Participation

Local agencies are required to fund twenty percent of the costs to construct pedestrian and bicycle facilities on state highways. In addition, the local agencies must accept maintenance responsibilities following construction. Because the local agency will have a financial responsibility for the improvements, IDOT allows the local agency to choose whether or not the improvements are constructed. If the pedestrian and/or bicycle improvements are not desired, the local agency may pass a resolution requesting that they be excluded from the project.

IDOT will incorporate the bikeway in the Illinois Route 59 design in order to meet the Complete Streets requirements. For the portion of the project located north of the Burlington Northern Santa Fe Railway, the city will determine whether the bikeway is constructed. Should the city choose to exclude the bikeway, sidewalk will be constructed in accordance with the original project design. The city will be required to partially fund and maintain either facility.

Because the addition of a bikeway is not consistent with the previous BPAC recommendation and the Bicycle Implementation Plan does not include a proposed route along Illinois Route 59, staff requests that BPAC discuss the proposed bikeway and provide a recommendation regarding its incorporation in the project. In the coming months IDOT and the city will enter into an agreement that outlines the city's financial participation for all aspects of the project, including pedestrian and bicycle facilities. At that time, City Council will make the decision whether to construct the bikeway or sidewalk. A recommendation from BPAC and TAB will be included in staff's recommendation to City Council.