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Kane Kendall Council of Mayors
Bicycle and Pedestrian Committee
 Thursday, February 18, 2021
 2:00 p.m.
 Zoom
 Meeting Minutes

Attendance

Monica Meyers – Chair
 Zach Tegge
 Anthony Isom
 Amanda Rafter
 Dave Simmons
 Joshua Harris
 Roopa Anjanappa
 Jerad Chipman
 Chris Gottlieb
 Cathleen Tracy
 Andrea Podraza
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 City of St. Charles
 City of Geneva
 City of Batavia
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I. **Opening of Meeting**

a. Troy Simpson called the meeting to order at 2:03 p.m.

b. Approval of December 10th, 2020 Minutes

A motion was made by Jerad Chipman to approve the minutes from the December 10th, 2020 KKKCOM Bike Ped Committee Meeting. The motion was seconded by Anthony Isom and passed unanimously.

II. **General Business**

a. Planning Liaison Update

Noah Jones gave the PL Update

Upcoming Meetings

The next KKKCOM Transportation Policy Committee will be taking place on **April 15, 2021** on Zoom.

The next KKKCOM Bike Ped Committee will be taking place on **June 17, 2021** on Zoom.

Funding Opportunities/Announcements

CMAP FY22-26 Call for Transportation Projects

From January 8 to February 19, 2021. CMAP is accepting funding applications for surface transportation projects that improve transit, bicycle facilities, freight and traffic movement and safety, fix bridges, reconstruct roads, and invest in alternative fuel vehicles and equipment. Funding for these projects will be distributed through federal sources that CMAP programs: Surface Transportation Program (STP) Shared Fund, Congestion Mitigation and Air Quality Improvement Program (CMAQ), and locally programmed Transportation Alternatives Program (TAP-L). Project sponsors must submit applications to Planning Liaisons for review on **February 19, 2021**. See more on the call for projects website.

CMAP has created a video explaining the flow and purpose of program funds in this call for projects.

IDOT FY2022 Surface Transportation Program Federal Funding Allotments

IDOT has released a Circular Letter (CL 2021-03) detailing the FY2022 Surface Transportation Program allotments for STR, STU and STP-Br. The STU amount for the Chicago region is \$153,112,168.77, from which the programming mark for the Council for FY22 will be derived. Updated numbers will be posted to the Council STP program as they are made available official via CMAP.

IDOT Local Agency Bonds Third Issuance Estimates and Allocation Procedure

IDOT released a Circular Letter (CL 2021-04) detailing the bond disbursements to local agencies as well as outlining a process to identify projects through an information exchange. The Circular Letter has not been posted to the IDOT website as of 1/13/2021; however, local agencies can find the bond estimates and the non-committal project form online. Submissions of projects are due **February 16, 2021**. Troy Simpson mentioned that as of the date of this meeting the Circular Letter was now posted to the IDOT website.

KKCOM Staff Activities

Staff have attended sessions and committees of the Transportation Research Board Conference throughout **January**. Attended sessions have included the Pedestrians subcommittee and the Bicycle and Pedestrian data subcommittee.

KKCOM Agreement Tracker

KKCOM staff have compiled an [agreement tracker](#) on the council [STP page](#) where local agencies can check in to see how long it has been since an agreement was submitted as well as track expected times to assist with Active Program Management. The tracker includes all federal funding sources.

Mobility/Travel COVID-19 Data

Council staff have been keeping up-to-date reports on mobility data provided by Google Maps giving insights into the type of travel people are undertaking in our local region as well as the volume of travel during the COVID-19 situation. Reports will continue to be updated so long as the data is available. The reports/data are hosted on [GitHub](#).

Other

IDOT D1 Letting schedule updated

IDOT D1 has updated their letting schedule to include dates out to CY2023. Find the updated letting schedule on the KKCOM STP Program webpage.

Regional Transportation Authority COVID Dashboard

The RTA continues to update their region-wide dashboard for ridership and fare box trends due to the ongoing pandemic. Other data include revenue impacts to the RTA Sales Tax. Current data show ridership resilience as strongest for bus services, both in the suburbs and the city, with Metra seeing the greatest overall declines in ridership. See the dashboard on the RTA website.

CMAP Maps

CMAP has updated both the Regional Land Use Inventory as well as the Regional Reference map. You can find the 2015 Land Use Inventory update here and the Reference Map here.

III. Announcements/Updates

a. Coordinator Updates

Troy Simpson gave a few announcements and updates.

Fox Valley Bike Share System 2021 Updates

Council staff are pleased to announce that the Fox Valley Bike Share System will be open for riders beginning **April 15, 2021** at the earliest (weather cooperating). The system will include some new sponsors (some pending):

- Shodeen (St. Charles) – **Confirmed**
- St. Charles Park District – **Pending**
- City of St. Charles – **Pending**
- Shodeen (Oswego) – **Pending**
- Village of Oswego, Oswegoland Library District – **Pending**
- Geneva Park District – **Pending**

Cathleen Tracy, with the City of Geneva, mentioned that they shouldn't be pending. They would just like to follow things and they haven't changed their status since last year.

Council Staff gave a presentation with the bike share vendor (Koloni) to stakeholders in Oswego,

including Village Administration, Community Development Staff, Public Works Staff, Representatives from the Park District and Library District, as well as with Shodeen staff. Oswego joining the system would create a continuous series of stations from the Aurora area into Northern Kendall County.

The contracts from the vendor continue to be individually negotiated with municipal and special district governmental units, though Council staff will continue to provide updates to the Bicycle and Pedestrian Committee as well as solicit feedback. We are excited to see more of the system come into play in 2021.

Dave Simmons, with Ride Illinois, asked about any e-bikes that might be included in any fleets. The City of Batavia signed a contract for e-bikes last year initially, but they couldn't get the shipment in. Supply chain issues are still impacting accessing those bikes. Overall, there is interest for e-bikes. Anthony Isom mentioned in reference to the Forest Preserve about their regulations on e-bikes. Troy Simpson talked about those regulations again. They can disallow any type of electronic vehicle on any of their trails. Kane County Forest Preserve doesn't want to allow any e-bikes of any kind for now. They don't want to take on the burden of saying someone has a class 2 e-bike, which might be okay, but someone else has a class 3 e-bike, which might not be okay. Monica Meyers mentioned that the larger issue with this problem is that they do not recognize any electronic vehicles on any of their trails. They want to minimize liability and have public safety as their foremost interest.

Regional Safety Action Agenda

CMAQ is placing increasing attention on traffic safety as the number of fatalities and injuries continue to increase, and we (the region) have lacked progress towards meeting the federally required safety performance targets. CMAQ is kicking off a Safety Resource group to dive into the issue more deeply. The group will inform a "Regional Safety Action Agenda" to recommend safety improvements through the lenses of equity, engineering, education, enforcement, and emergency services and public health. The Resource Group will include members from across these fields to prioritize actions, build consensus and develop safety tools, resources and policy for regional partners. In introducing the work, CMAQ has cited the continued rise in pedestrian fatalities even as total traffic volumes have decreased during the pandemic. Council staff will keep the Bike Ped committee updated as this resource group begins to build and convene.

Jackie Forbes mentioned that she believes the first meeting will take place in March.

Active Transportation Alliance Suburban Action Week

The Active Transportation Alliance will be hosting a week-long mobilization event aimed at creating better walking, biking, and transit in Chicagoland's suburban communities. There will be a series of events taking place between **February 15** and **February 20**, including a Kane and Kendall Counties update featuring Council staff at **11am** on **February 19**.

MUTCD Proposed Updates

A Notice of Proposed Amendments (NPA) was released on December 14, 2020 detailing wide-ranging change proposals to the MUTCD. These would constitute the 11th edition of the MUTCD. See the changes and comment until **March 15** at the Federal Register. Troy went over the changes of note which included:

- Incorporation of provisional traffic control devices currently under Interim Approval, including pedestrian-actuated Rectangular Rapid-Flashing Beacons (RRFBs) at uncontrolled marked crosswalks, green-colored pavement for bicycle lanes, red-colored pavement for transit lanes, and a new traffic signal warrant based on crash experience.
- Improvements to accessibility and safety for pedestrians, including the location of pushbuttons at signalized crosswalks, crosswalk marking patterns, and accommodations in work zones.
- Expanded traffic control devices to improve safety and operation for bicyclists, including intersection bicycle boxes, two-stage turn boxes, bicycle traffic signal faces, and a new U.S. bicycle route design.
- Considerations for agencies to prepare for the deployment of automated driving systems.
- Revised procedures for the posting of speed limits, new criteria for horizontal alignment change warnings, new application of traffic control devices for part-time shoulder travel, and new applications of traffic control devices at busway crossings.

USDOT [DRAFT] Strategic Plan on Accessible Transportation

The U.S. Department of Transportation published a draft of its first Strategic Plan on Accessible Transportation, which aims to help make America's transportation system more accessible for all travelers. The plan is anticipated to guide the UDOT's efforts in Fiscal Years 2021-2025.

Troy mentioned that this will be more of a mission strategy and it should be a shorter document.

Active Transportation Alliance Survey – IDOT Local Match Requirements

Council staff would like to remind members of the Bike Ped Committee of a survey being conducted by the Active Transportation Alliance regarding local agency maintenance requirements for Complete Streets infrastructure on state routes. They are specifically interested in whether any communities have ever had to say "no" to including said infrastructure on a State road because of the match requirement.

Bicycle and Pedestrian Resources for KCOM

Council staff would like to remind members of the Bicycle and Pedestrian Committee of some of the resources we have available on the Bicycle and Pedestrian Resources page on the KDOT website as well as the Bike/Ped Info page on the KCOM website.

These include:

- KCOM Bike Ped App (Continuously Updated)
- KCOM Bicycle Facilities Implementation Dashboard (Continually Updated)
- Kane and Northern Kendall County Bike Map (Updated – will not be printed until completion of Longmeadow Parkway Trail)
- Fox River Trail Signage Inventory (Continually Updated)
 - Signage Spreadsheet
 - Location Map

Public/Local Agency Updates

Monica Meyers shared pictures of the Raymond Street tunnel for the new bike path going in on the East side of the Fox River. She showed the rendering of the original plans and what it will look like. The tunnel should be open this summer at some point for bicycle use.

IV. Next Meeting(s)

The next meeting will be **June 17th, 2021** on Zoom.

V. Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned at 2:46 p.m.