



Pedestrian and Bicycle Advisory Committee Meeting
Wednesday, May 26, 2021 – 5:00 pm
Virtual Meeting

1. Call to Order and Roll Call

Wes Enterline, John Sotherland, Jodi Simek, Daniel Currier. Absent: Traci Wilson
Staff: Eric Boettcher, Brad Marquardt and Brian de la Torriente
Citizens: Brienne Brown

2. Approval of Minutes from March 24, 2021:

Sotherland made the motion to approve minutes. Second by Currier. Ayes: Enterline, Sotherland, Simek and Currier. Noes: None. Abstain: None

3. Hearing of Citizen Comments: None

4. Staff Reports:

Boettcher – Parks and Recreation will be putting out a storybook walk. In April and May it was in Starin Park. Starting in June it will be in Trippe and Minnieska Park.

5. New business

Currier – Tracie Wilson reached out and is willing to help with bicycle education.

Brown – With CEC there is grant money to do a bicycle education station at the City Market. Can hand our rules of the road and free helmets for kids.

Enterline – Try to get people to CEC. Planning through the City Market is a good idea. Tables this idea for the next meeting.

5a. E Main Street / Yoder Lane Bike Lanes

Marquardt – Shared plans of redesigning Main Street and wants Bike and Pedestrian Committees input on if bike lanes should be added.

Enterline – Enterline asked if this is a quiet street?

Marquardt – According to the DOT, yes. There are only about 1,000 cars on average per day.

Enterline – If the sidewalks are 4-5 feet, this gives kids more room to ride. No reason to spend all this money for bike lanes since this is considered a quiet street.

Currier – Inquired if the speed limit could be reduced.

Marquardt – Keeping the speed limit at 25mph is residential.

Currier – Is this a concern for kids at Washington school?

Marquardt – No

Brown – People use this street to get to soccer fields. Maybe add signage to show there people that do use the road for biking to make drivers aware.

Enterline – What is the parking policy for each side of the road?

Marquardt – Parking is allowed on the north side, no time limit except for the winter.

Brown – Just add signs to show the street is bike friendly.

Enterline – Made motion to not add bike lanes, but add signage to show the street is bike friendly.
Second by Currier. Ayes: Enterline, Currier, Sotherland and Simek. Noes: None. Abstain: None.

Marquardt – Looking to do 5-foot sidewalks in each direction on Yoder Lane. Not looking to make bicycle accommodations. Parking allowed on both sides of street. This will make better connection from UW-W to the engagement center. There is not a lot of car traffic; only when there are events.

Enterline – Would there need to be any tree removal or storm water issues?

Marquardt – A few trees, but not with the storm water.

Simek – Could there be a wider, shared pedestrian sidewalk on one side?

Brown – Some people might want to use the route to go to the store

Enterline – The CEC is really only used during business hours and the traffic on the North end may only be more for University events.

Sotherland – Not enough traffic to warrant bike lanes.

Enterline – Made motion to not add bike lanes to Yoder Lane. Second by Currier.
Ayes: Enterline, Currier, Sotherland and Simek. Noes: None. Abstain: None.

7. Future Items

Currier – Discussion on getting the word out about our committee

8. Adjournment

Currier made motion to adjourn meeting. Second by Sotherland. Ayes: Enterline, Currier, Simek, Currier.
Noes: None. Abstains: None

Next scheduled meeting: Wednesday, July 28th at 5:00pm

Respectfully submitted,
Brian de la Jorriente