

## Minutes

Friday, 9 July 2021

8:15 a.m.

Virtual meeting location

### 1. MEETING OPENING

1.1. Baker called the meeting to order at 8:20 a.m.

1.2. Roll Call

Present: Nancy Baker, Joseph Edmunds, Brian Hardeman, Shanika Rose, Seth Scobee, Jared Tremblay (non-voting)

Absent: David Colburn, Annie Cook, Kevin Fateley, Carol Sevin, Chris Spooner

Staff: Brian Johnson, City Engineer; Wyatt Thompson, Assistant Director of Parks and Rec; Alfonso Leyva, Park Planner; John Adam, Senior Planner; Tyler Tripp, Bike/Ped Coordinator

Public: 0

1.3. **Minutes of 5/14/2021 meeting.** Quorum was not established so approval of the minutes was postponed.

1.4. **Minutes of 6/11/2021 meeting.** Quorum was not established so approval of the minutes was postponed.

1.5. **Public Comments:** None.

### 2. REPORTS & UPDATES

2.1. **Public Works:** Sidewalk packages are being worked on for Beechwood Terrace, Allison Avenue, K-113, and Fort Riley Boulevard between 3rd and 4th Street.

The levee project is going to bid on August 24th, so there will hopefully be a construction schedule by the October or November BPAC meeting.

2.2. **Parks & Recreation:** Construction on the Stonehaven Trail will begin in the fall.

The Anneberg Park parking lot and trail mitigation project has received a good number of favorable bids as has the Clarenburg Trail.

Parks and Recreation is planning to upgrade the intersection of Osage Street and 11th Street.

2.3. **Community Development:** The Manhattan Development Code is starting to see greater consensus among City Administration. There is still some push back about requiring bicycle parking. Adam indicated that a letter of support from

BPAC might help with the bike parking decisions.

There was one meeting about Bike/Walk Month since the previous BPAC meeting. There are not many events planned. Tripp stated that a spreadsheet was sent out if anyone wished to add events to the Bike/Walk Month calendar.

### 3. OLD BUSINESS

- 3.1. None.

### 4. NEW BUSINESS

- 4.1. **Hayes Drive Trail Update:** Johnson stated that the design on planned 10-foot-wide trail on Hayes Drive has changed and portions have been shifted to the east side of Hayes. Johnson indicated that easements would need to be obtained from USD 383 and Parker Hannifin. He stated that both USD 383 and Parker Hannifin showed some hesitance to providing the easements. If the easements are unable to be obtained, other options would involve undesirable legal action, prohibitive expenses, and/or the acquisition of easements from more property owners should the trail be moved to the other side.

Baker asked if paving the Old Blue River Trail would be a good alternative to the Hayes Drive Trail. Thompson stated portions of the levee project will impact the Old Blue River Trail and that there is hesitancy by cyclists and pedestrians using that trail for security reasons. That said, Thompson stated that this project might be looked at again with the difficulties arising with the Hayes Drive Trail.

Thompson showed a section of existing sidewalk that the Hayes Drive Trail would meet up with and asked BPAC if they felt that it would be necessary to build the existing sidewalk out to ten feet. Hardeman stated that it might be worthwhile to see where the budget lands and make expanding the existing sidewalk a low priority compared to the rest of the project and leave it for future improvement if needed. Hardeman also stated that even a 6-foot sidewalk down the entirety of Hayes Drive would be a major improvement if nothing else was achievable.

- 4.2. **Bicycle Parking Requirements Amendment:** Adam presented the new bicycle parking requirements in the Manhattan Development Code (MDC). The new regulations would require bike parking spaces equal to five percent of vehicle parking. There is a cap of 10 spaces required. Tremblay asked if this would require existing businesses to add bike parking. Adam explained that there would not be a requirement to add bike racks at existing locations. Adam did state that it might be possible to require the addition of bike racks with renovations and/or additions to properties. BPAC members discussed methods for arguing the importance of requiring bike parking. One method that was discussed is the comparison of the cost of bike parking to the cost of bike parking.

### 5. ADJOURNMENT

- 5.1. Updates and comments from members
- 5.2. Meeting adjourned at 9:04 a.m.