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MANHATTAN BICYCLE ADVISORY COMMITTEE  
Harmon Room, City Hall  
1101 Poyntz Ave, Manhattan, KS 66502  
May 17<sup>th</sup>, 2012

**Members Present:** Diane Novak, Brian Hardeman, Ben Champion & Dave Colburn

**Members Absent:** Michael Wesch, Ben Champion, Joe Edmunds, Katy Vaughan & Joe Wright

**Staff Present:** Joey Lightner, Bicycle Coordinator; Peter Clark, Civil Design Engineer; Lance Evans, Long-Range Planner

**Public Attendance:** 0

B. Hardeman called the meeting to order at 4:42 p.m. on May 17<sup>th</sup>, 2012.

**Staff Reports:**

1. P. Clark reported on the development of the Wichita Bike Master Plan. He stated that bike boulevards are being incorporated into the plan. He also reported on the status of Miller Parkway and Scenic Drive. Bike lanes are planned for Miller Parkway and a multiuse path is planned for Scenic Drive. P. Clark presented plans for a multiuse path extending the current path on McCall the path will travel north on Levy Drive. However, the path will not yet connect to Linear Trail. P. Clark stated the need to sweep the shoulder on HWY 24. He will contact KDOT to see if installing ballards and putting down a bikeable surface to connect from Hwy 24 onto Linear Trail on west bound lane (west of the Blue River bridge).
2. J. Lightner reported on the construction of the pedestrian tunnel connecting the Discovery Center to the Train Depot. He also reported on Bike Week, stating that he will provide a wrap up at the June meeting.

**Policy:**

1. J. Lightner presented the current draft of the policy that the committee wants to incorporate into the Comprehensive Plan. The committee decided to schedule an open house to gain public comment on the policies. J. Lightner will schedule that prior to the next meeting. D. Colburn will contact Cathy Dawes and The Mercury to notify them of the possible policy changes. After the open house, the addendum will be presented to the Urban Area Planning Board and City Commission before the public hearing and reading of the ordinance.

**Safe Routes to School:**

1. P. Clark reported on the current status of the Safe Routes to School Application. He stated that letters of support for the grant are being solicited. He asked if B. Hardeman would write one on behalf of the committee. B. Hardeman agreed. The application is due May 31, 2012.

**Bike-Friendly Community Status:**

1. J. Lightner announced that Manhattan was awarded a bronze-level bike-friendly community and asked for feedback regarding a promotion of the award. The committee developed several strategies to promote the award and city staff will follow up after the meeting. B. Hardeman, M Wesch and D. Colburn will educate the community at Parks and Recreation sponsored Arts in the Park during the month of June.

**Walk-Friendly Community Application:**

1. J. Lightner requested feedback on applying to be a walk-friendly community. The committee agreed that city staff should submit an application. The application will be reviewed by city staff prior to the June 15<sup>th</sup>, 2012 deadline.

The meeting adjourned at 5:43 pm.

**Next Meeting: June 21<sup>st</sup>, 2012.**