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MANHATTAN BICYCLE ADVISORY COMMITTEE
Manhattan Traffic Operations Facility Conference Room
515 11th Street, Manhattan, KS 66502
October 17th, 2014

- Members Present:** Joe Edmunds, Seth Scobee, David Schafer, Katy Oestman, Jeff Koenig, Cydney Alexis, Michael Wesch & Brian Hardeman
- Members Absent:** Dave Colburn
- Staff Present:** Peter Clark, Transportation Engineer; Lance Evans, Long Range Planner; Jared Tremblay, GIS Analyst; Jay Guarneri, GIS Technician
- Public Attendance:** 4

M. Wesch called the meeting to order at 9:08 am.

Approval of Minutes:

J. Edmunds moved to approve the September 2014 minutes. J. Koenig seconded. Motion passed unanimously; K. Oestman and S. Scoobee absent.

Staff Reports

P. Clark reported on several projects in the Manhattan area that affect biking. First, he reported on the bicycle and pedestrian features of the diverging diamond intersection at Fort Riley Blvd and Seth Childs Rd. Second, he reported on the article from the Kansas Cyclist highlighting the contra-flow lane in Aggieville and the misplacement of sharrows around Manhattan. Third, P. Clark and J. Lightner visited with Cathy Dawes on KMAN about bikes and pedestrian issues around Manhattan. Forth, the multiuse path through the Ninth Grade Center will be constructed as a way to complete the bike boulevard on Houston Street. Fifth, the bike boulevard projects will be completed in early 2015 with help from the Kansas Health Foundation. Lastly, the Safe Routes to Schools report will be given to stakeholders to review on October 31st. The Bicycle Advisory Committee will receive that report and be asked to provide feedback.

Comprehensive Plan Update

L. Evans reported on the Manhattan Comprehensive Plan update and the role of the Bicycle Advisory Committee. He suggested that all members of the BAC and residents of Manhattan attend the public review on November 19th and 20th at City Hall. More information can be found at manhattanarea2035.com.

Aggieville Dismount Pavement Markings

City staff has been in contact with representatives from the Aggieville Business District to install dismount signs in accordance with current ordinance. The BAC discussed several issues associated with dismount signs and how to best facilitate the appropriate way to educate cyclists. City staff will report at the November meeting on more details.

Bike and Pedestrian Counts

J. Tremblay reported on the final bike and pedestrian counts. He provided the committee with detailed maps and the BAC members discussed the overarching trends associated with biking and walking in Manhattan. The counts will be repeated in September of 2015 and traffic flows will be analyzed.

The meeting adjourned at 10:45 am.

Next Meeting: November 21st, 2014.