



MINUTES  
MANHATTAN BICYCLE & PEDESTRIAN ADVISORY COMMITTEE  
City Commission Room  
1101 Poyntz Ave, Manhattan, KS 66502  
November 20, 2015

**Members Present:** Dave Colburn, Brian Hardeman, Jeff Koenig, Michael Wesch, Brent Chamberlain, Jessica Fiscus, Joe Edmunds, Seth Scobee, Adam Inman

**Members Absent:** Cydney Alexis

**Staff Present:** Benjamin Chmiel, Long Range Planner; Lance Evans, Long Range Planner; Jay Guarneri, GIS Technician; Jared Tremblay, Infrastructure Analyst & Staff Liaison to BPAC

**Public Attendance:** 6

M. Wesch called the meeting to order at 9:06am. D. Colburn seconded.

**Approval of Minutes:**

B. Hardeman moved to approve the October 2015 minutes. Motion passed unanimously.

**Staff Reports**

Jared Tremblay reported on the following projects:

- 11<sup>th</sup> & Fremont: A poster diagram of the completed project was presented showing bike lanes, along with the mid-December completion date.
- City Park Trail: With the reconstruction of the City Park pool parking lot, crews are building a north-south trail that will connect N Park Rd and Poyntz Ave via a 10' multi-use trail. In addition, they will build new sidewalks connecting Poyntz, the playground and the pool.
- TA Grants: The City submitted four grant applications.
  - o Safe Routes to School (SRTS). This application is being prepared by Alfred Benesch & Co and will be comprised of a collection of five projects in locations across the city.
  - o US Hwy 24 & McCall Rd/Old Blue River Channel Phase 5. This project will extend the stormwater boxes and concrete channel with retaining walls along Tuttle Creek Blvd. The multi-use trail along McCall Rd will be extended from its current location to Vattier St, including a ped crossing across Tuttle Creek Blvd.

- Juliette Ave Phase 2. This project will be to reconstruct Juliette Ave's bricks from Laramie St to Osage St.
- Linear Trail Extension. This project will extend Linear Trail from its current end on Marlatt Ave, west to Denison, construct a pedestrian crossing over Denison, then parallel Denison Ave south to Kimball Ave.

### **National Bike Travel Weekend**

Dave Lambert presented on his efforts to coordinate the 40<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of the Adventure Cycling Association's National Bike Adventure Weekend. Mr. Lambert is requesting help to organize the event as well as volunteers. A meeting will be held on Wednesday December 2<sup>nd</sup>, at 5:30pm at the Manhattan Public Library, Friends Meeting Room.

### **General Questions/Concerns**

Brent Chamberlain brought up several questions/concerns about traffic lights for cyclists. In particular, Mr. Chamberlain wants to have traffic signals recognize when a right-turning vehicle has turned and no longer requires the light change. He feels this is a common occurrence and causes the cross traffic to have to stop unnecessarily, which is a waste of time and fuel. Specifically he is requesting the intersections of 14<sup>th</sup> & Poyntz Ave and Ft. Riley Blvd at the K177 exit ramp to be looked at. Also, Mr. Chamberlain is concerned about the sidewalk connection along Anderson Ave from N Manhattan Ave to 17<sup>th</sup> St. He would like to see a sidewalk put in place to increase connectivity along a busy corridor.

M. Wesch adjourned the meeting at 10:04am.

**Next Meeting: December 18, 2015**