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Bicycle and Pedestrian Committee February 20th, 2020 2:00 p.m. Forest Preserve District of Kane County Headquarters Meeting Minutes

Attendance

Monica Meyers - Chair Mandy Morgan Ken Jay Andrea Podraza Amanda Rafter Eric Lacher Amy Moore Roopa Anjanappa Robert Greene Ryan Peterson Troy Simpson Jackie Forbes Josh Wyant Dave Waden Rosie Edwards

Joshua Harris

Executive Director Foreman Public Works Manager - Eng. Assistant City Eng. Management Analyst Director of Parks Commissioner Engineer City Traffic Engineer Bicycle and Pedestrian Coordinator Regional Planning Liaison Council Director/Chief of Planning Superintendent Senior Planner Rec. Supervisor Project Manager

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II. **General Business**

a. Planning Liaison Update

Upcoming Meetings

The next KKCOM Transportation Policy Committee will be taking place on Thursday, April 16th in the Kane County Auditorium at 1:00 p.m., with lunch served at 12:30 p.m.

Funding Opportunities

Local Council STP-L Calls for Projects: With the opening of the KKCOM STP-L Call for Projects on January 15th, council staff would like to point out that several other adjacent local councils have also opened their application periods:

- DuPage COM: January 15th March 16th, 2020
- McHenry COM: January 15th March 15th, 2020
- Will County GL: January 6th March 6th, 2020

IDNR Grants 2020: IDNR is accepting grant applications for-

- The Rec Trails Program (80/20) (Due March 2, 2020)
- The Off-Highway Vehicle Program (100/0) (Due March 2, 2020)
- The Illinois Bicycle Path Grant Program (50/50) (Due March 16, 2020)

More information on the IDNR website.

IDOT State Planning and Research Funds: The FY 2021 IDOT SPR call is currently open and is accepting applications until March 13, 2020 at 11:59:59 P.M. Proposed projects should be related to studying or implementing a goal, strategy, or objective within the state's Long-Range Transportation Plan or one from its associate suite of plans, implementing asset management, benefiting a disadvantaged/economically distressed community, or implementing performance based program development.

An informational webinar is scheduled for the funding call Friday, February 14th, 2020 from 10:00 A.M. to 12:00 P.M. Information on the webinar as well as other aspects of the funding call can be found in IDOT's Circular Letter.

IDOT Truck Access Route Program: The FY 2021 IDOT Truck Access Route Program call is currently open and accepting applications until March 6, 2020 at 5:00 P.M. This year's program is available at the \$7 million funding level, with \$45,000 allowable per lane mile and \$22,000 allowable per eligible intersection. Maximum funding will be \$900,000 per project, only expendable on project construction. To learn more or apply, check out the Circular Letter.

Illinois Transportation Enhancement Program: The 2020 ITEP Call for Projects has been postponed until summer/early fall of 2020 to allow time to thoroughly develop a program that incorporates both the federal funds and the recent supplemental state funding being set aside from the Road Fund. (No official status change from previous bike/ped committee)

Current version of the ITEP supplemental funding bill:

- Sliding scale for local match based on community size, median income, and total property tax base.
- Phase 1 studies and Phase 1 Engineering reports are not required to be completed before the application is made.
- 25% of funding must be made available for high-need communities, with measures TBD. An amendment is currently being considered to make all application and scoring

information publicly available once determined and as currently written, maintains the 2 year cycle as opposed to an annual cycle.

KKCOM Staff Activities

Jackie presented at the Metropolitan Planning Council's (MPC) "Toward Universal Mobility" event, speaking on the sponsorship model of the Ride in Kane Paratransit service. The event was part of the release of MPC's Universal Mobility Report, which contains 32 policy recommendations designed to unlock opportunities for older adults and people living with disabilities through transportation system access. Several issues were covered at the event, including the fragmentation of the service areas with specific limitations on services provided, which can create accessibility issues and confusion for users. These points were made in support of a Regional Mobility Coordinator for the Chicago region, which could potentially provide the capacity needed to coordinate between agencies. A full video can be found here. The full report can be found here.

KKCOM Staff will be attending the National Shared Mobility Summit from March 17^{th} , 2020. It will be located in McCormick Place in the South Loop. Program details are still under development.

CMAP News

Transportation Data Resources on the Horizon

CMAP has issued a Request for Proposals (RFP No. 218) for assistance with developing a model capable of generating commercial services vehicles tours for the CMAP region. CMAP's existing models include commercial vehicles; however, they are limited to trucks moving freight between buyers and sellers. The intent of this resource will be to capture the large and growing share of commercial vehicles that travel between businesses and residences to provide a variety of services.

CMAP has issued an Invitation for Bids (IFB No. 231) for the purchasing of datasets for (Transportation Network Company) TNC vehicle movements within the Chicago region. The City of Chicago currently negotiates data provision with three TNC providers, Uber, Lyft and Via that is maintained on the city's <u>Data Portal</u>. The purchasing of this data would make such trip information more accessible for the region.

2016-2020 CMAP Region Highway Safety Rolling Targets

On November 15th, CMAP's Transportation Committee moved to support IDOT safety targets for 2016-2020 five year averages, denoting a 2% reduction in the previous 5 year averages for Total Fatalities, the Fatality Rate per 100 Million VMT, Total Serious Injuries, Serious Injury Rate per 100 Million VMT, and Non-Motorized Serious Injuries and Fatalities.

IDOT Forms/Documents:

-IDOT has updated the Letting and Submittals Schedule through FY2022. The updated letting schedule can be found on the KKCOM STP Program page.

-On November 20, 2019, IDOT updated the Project Program Information (PPI) Form. The updated form can be found on IDOT's <u>forms page</u> under "D1", or on the Council Website in the <u>STP program page</u>.

KKCOM Seminar: KKCOM will be hosting an ADA/PROWAG seminar at the Kane County Government Center on April 27th from 10:00AM to 12:00PM. The session will be a condensed version of the session available through IDOT's fall training program. Details to come.

III. Announcements/Updates

a. Bike Ped Coordinator Updates

Ryan Peterson gave the Bike Ped Coordinator Updates

Kane County Bike Share System Updates

KKCOM staff has continued to work towards a regional bike share network that will offer its residents and visitors an additional transportation option and recreational amenity.

Most recently, staff completed the Master Agreement to be signed between KDOT and the vendor, Koloni. The Master Agreement describes the policies and rules the will govern the system for all participants (users, vendor, and participating municipalities). Below is a brief overview of many of the major policies discussed in the Master Agreement:

- User Fees
 - Long-term memberships
 - Yearly: \$50
 - Yearly (College students): \$40
 - Monthly: \$10
 - Daily: \$7Out of zone penalty: \$10
 - Hourly Rates
 - \$4 per hour for standard pedal bikes
 - \$9 per hour for e-bikes
- Station Owner Privileges
 - o Ability to crate temporary geofenced stations for events
 - o Collects 80% of membership fees; collects ~92% of hourly rental fees
 - Receive marketing/advertising assistance from Koloni
 - o Ability to advertise on all bikes and stations
- Vendor Responsibilities
 - o Rebalancing bikes
 - Repairing and maintaining bikes
 - Storing bikes during winter months
 - o Attending municipal events to promote system
 - o Providing insurance to station owners and users
 - o Hosting launch party in mid-June
 - o Providing monthly financial, ridership, and maintenance reports to all participants
 - o Maintain agreed-upon standards of services or face fines from KDOT

All participating municipalities/agencies will sign a Sub-Agreement that will accept the terms outlined in the Master Agreement, with the ability to include any specific legal language that pertains to each one specifically.

Seven agencies have confirmed their participation (included within italicized are their preferred location, if identified):

- City of Elgin
- Elgin Community College
- Village of South Elgin
 - SEBA Park
- City of Batavia
- Batavia Public Library
 - o Batavia Public Library (Downtown Batavia)
- St. Charles Park District
- City of St. Charles
- City of Aurora
- Village of Montgomery

Chicagoland Bike Share Forum

Following the conclusion of the RAMP Initiative, KKCOM staff created the Chicagoland Bike Sharing Forum to provide a space for elected officials, transportation professionals, and advocates to discuss launching, operating, and promoting bike share systems and the infrastructure to assist it.

The first meeting of the group was held on Monday, October 21st at the Kane County Government Center in Geneva. There were 30 attendees that took part in the first meeting. Presentations were given by representatives from Kankakee County Visitors Bureau, Chicago Department of Transportation, and Kane County Division of Transportation. A majority of the meeting was focused on allowing time for discussions about marketing bike sharing systems, finding sustainable funding for these programs, and the evolution of additional shared mobility vehicles.

The next meeting will take place on **Thursday**, **February 27th** from 10:00 am until noon. The meeting will be hosted at the Caterpillar Auditorium at the Joliet Area Historical Museum (204 N Ottawa St, Joliet, IL 60432). The meeting is completely free and open to anyone who is interested in taking part in the discussion. If you plan on attending, please register using our online registration.

The meeting will be focused primarily on sharing information and engaging in discussion regarding topics surrounding bike share. Topics to be discussed at this meeting will include: indepth marketing strategies for bike sharing and sustainable transportation programs; overview of the I&M Canal Bike Share System; and finding funding for bike sharing. Two bike sharing companies, Koloni and Zagster, will also present about their companies and their opinions on the current state of shared mobility.

The Forum will provide stakeholders in the region to opportunity to ask questions of other bike share administrators that can share their advice based on their experiences. The Forum will also allow for collaboration across jurisdictions by gathering various agencies in one place.

Kane County Cycle Club

The Kane County Cycle Club is a new program being co-sponsored by the Kane County Division of Transportation and the Kane County Health Department. The main goal of the program is encourage residents of Kane County, especially younger age groups, to choose healthy, sustainable forms of transportation that not only keep them healthy and fit, but help to keep our communities healthy. Biking has shown to have great benefits, including relieving stress, exercising cardiovascular muscles, enhancing social skills, and strengthening emotional wellness.

The Cycle Club will be a month-long program lasting from April 13th until May 15th. For four weeks, participating students will be encouraged to bike with their friends, family, and classmates. Parents will be asked to track how many minutes their children bike per week and then submit their progress at the end of the program.

Each student will be given a goal based on their age and biking experience level. This goal will be time-based and will correspond to an appropriate amount of time for a four week time span based on their age and experience. Each student that accomplishes their goal will be given a ticket to a Kane County Cougars baseball game (Geneva) and a ticket to a Windy City Bulls basketball game (Hoffman Estates). If they accomplish their goal they will also be eligible to enter to win any of the raffle prizes donated by one of the program's sponsors (Bike Rack, Fox Valley Ice Arena, Color Me Mine, Fox River Trolley Museum, Paramount Theater, Ultimate Ninjas).

For the first year, five Kane County schools were chosen to participate in the Cycle Club. The chosen schools are listed below:

- Hoover Wood Elementary School (Batavia)
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- Ronald D. O'Neal Elementary School (Elain)
- H.C. Strom Elementary School (Batavia)
- Lily Lake Grade School (Maple Park)

Currently, 43 students have been registered for the program. Parents are able to register their children for the program until the program ends. There is no limit to the amount of participants, all students within the eligible grades are able to apply for the program.

As part of the program, staff is working with local bike shops and non-profits to provide bikes for students that do not have access to a bike. Working Bikes, a non-profit in Chicago, has already donated 15 bikes for the program. Two registrants indicated that they would like a donated bike; both requests will be completed within the coming weeks.

Three of the schools indicated on their registration that they will be hosting bike donation drives at their schools during the spring months leading up to the start of the program. Unused bikes will be collected during the bike donation drives and then stored and repaired at local bike shops around the County. After they're repaired, they will be matched with a student in need of a bicycle for the program.

Funding Updates

Several funding sources for bicycle and pedestrian infrastructure/programming have recently been announced or have opened their call for projects. Below is a list of funding sources, with their project types and their deadlines for submissions.

- 2020 AARP Community Challenge Grants: Funds projects that help communities become great places
 to live for residents of all ages. No funding limit. Deadline: April 1, 2020.
- IDNR's Recreational Trails Program: Funds for recreational trails and bike paths. Maximum of \$200,000 awarded per project. Deadline: March 2, 2020
- IDNR's Illinois Bicycle Path Grant Program: Funds for bike path enhancement and development.
 Maximum of \$200,000 awarded per project. Deadline: March 16, 2020

Local Surface Transportation Program (STP): Funds that support local and regional transportation projects. Funding limit varies by Council. *KKCOM Deadline: March 15, 2020.*

b. Director Updates

Chair Meyers gave updates on behalf of the Forest Preserve District of Kane County:

- Raymond Street Tunnel Re-Route project: Tunnel under the UPRR currently under construction; section of trail along the Fox River by the Fox River Water Reclamation District to be paved.
- Center St/Fox River Trail South Elgin: Engineered a switchback to get a more level elevation. Construction bids currently open.
- Great Western Trail Extension: Phase 1 Design Approval granted. Current focus is on Right-of-Way acquisition.
- 2015 Master Plan: (Last Updated 2018) To be updated soon.

c. Public/Local Agency Updates

- Batavia Park District: ADA audit finished-Phase 2 Eng. for East Side Trail underway.
- **Geneva Park District:** Peck Farm Park/Mid-County trail expansion funded by Open Space Land Acquisition and Development grant.
- St. Charles: Currently seeking alternatives to fund the City's anticipated Bicycle and Pedestrian Plan.
- Batavia: Kirk Rd bike path to be reconstructed up to Fabyan Parkway. Main St complete street project has been let, anticipated to go to construction in 2020. Prairie Street (southern section south of BNSF RR and north of Pine St) letting in March, with construction expected in the coming season.
- Aurora: No updates
- Batavia Bike Commission: Currently re-applying for bike friendly community designation; working on a Complete Streets Policy.
- St. Charles Park District: No updates
- **Elgin:** Bike rack CMAQ project moving forward and anticipated to be executed at the March city council.

IV. KKCOM Bike & Highway Map Update

 a. KKCOM staff invited local agencies to mark up the bike and highways maps currently underway for a 2020 release.

V. Next Meetings(s)

- a. June 16th
- b. September 17th
- c. December 2nd

VI. Adjournment

Monica Meyers made a motion to adjourn at 3:20 p.m. The motion was seconded by Robert Greene.

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Dave Simmons Ed Barsotti Jackie Forbes Jennifer Hughes Joshua Harris

Josh W Katya Iwanik Mike Gilloffo Ron Rudd Roopa Anjanappa Rachel Vuorenmaa **Executive Director** Management Analyst Assistant Engineer

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Ride Illinois Ride Illinois Kane Kendall Council of Mayors Village of Oswego

Baxter and Woodman

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II. **General Business**

a. Planning Liaison Update

Troy Simpson gave the PL Update

Funding Opportunities/Announcements

COVID-19 Federal Legislation (CMAP Analysis)

CMAP has conducted an analysis of federal legislation relating to COVID-19 relief available on the CMAP website.

Federal Lands Access Program (FLAP)

FHWA is accepting applications until Monday, August 3, 2020 for the FLAP. Public Highway, Road, bridge, trail or transit systems that are located on, are adjacent to, or provide access to certain Federal lands are eligible. An estimated \$1 Million will be available for programming. Project applications must be sponsored and/or supported by the appropriate Federal Land Management Agency (FLMA) unit whose access would be enhanced by the proposed action. If selected, a 20% match is required. See details on the FHWA website.

Highway Safety Improvement Program (HSIP)

IDOT issued a NOFO for the FY 2022 HSIP Program via Circular Letter 2020-07 on March 13th, 2020. HSIP has a goal of achieving a significant reduction in traffic fatalities and serious injuries on all public roads. The anticipated funding level is approximately \$16 million for FY2022, with a 90/10 fed/local split. Applications are due on **June 12**, **2020**. See the HSIP website for additional information.

DCEO Grants for Local Government Infrastructure and Economic Development

The Department of Commerce and Economic Opportunity (DCEO) issued NOFOs for the following Rebuild Illinois Programs:

Public Infrastructure: \$50,000,000

Regional Economic Development: \$16,500,000

Shovel Ready Sites: \$13,000,000

Program NOFOs, descriptions, parameters and availability periods are available on the DCEO website. KKCOM staff attended a webinar from the DCEO on the latter 3 programs, from which the links to the webinar <u>presentation</u> and <u>Q&A</u> are provided.

Rebuild Illinois Local Agency Bond Funds

IDOT has released a Circular Letter detailing stipulations for the usage of Rebuild Illinois local agency bond funds, the first proceeds of which should have been deposited on May 4th of this year. The circular also contains a link where local agencies can access their estimates for the first distribution as well as the total across six distributions.

KKCOM Staff Activities

Shared Use Mobility Summit

Staff attended the Shared Use Mobility Summit from May 5th to May 6th, which included speakers representing ridesharing companies, transit agencies, roadway agencies and transportation network application development specialists.

Mobility/Travel COVID-19 Data

Staff have been keeping up to date reports on mobility data provided by Google and Streetlight inc. giving insights into the type of travel people are undertaking in our local region as well as the volume of travel during the COVID-19 situation. Reports will continue to updated so long as the data is available. The reports/data are hosted on GitHub:

- Google Mobility Reports
- <u>Streetlight</u> Vehicle Miles Traveled (by County)

CMAP News

COVID-19 Transportation Volumes and Demographics

CMAP has provided early data on changes to travel patterns, cargo volumes, and traveler demographics since the onset of the COVID-19 pandemic. Those data are available on the CMAP <u>website</u>. The data include some extrapolation for the purpose of revenue impacts.

Metropolitan Mayors Caucus/CMAP Climate Change Impacts Webinars

The Metropolitan Mayors Caucus (MMC) and the Chicago Metropolitan Agency for Planning are leading a <u>regional climate change effort</u> in partnership with the Global Covenant of Mayors for Climate and Energy and need local input. They are asking local partners to join for a series of webinars focusing on adapting to the impacts of climate change. More information here.

New water demand and rate data

Population growth and industrial development have led to increasing groundwater withdrawals in the Chicago region. CMAP and Illinois-Indiana Sea Grant developed regional data on long-term water demand and recent water rate data for northeastern Illinois using water withdrawal data from the Illinois Water Inventory Program and collecting detailed rate data directly from municipalities. The two final products are public available on the CMAP Data Hub, including past water use and demand forecasts and water and sewer rate data for each community utility. Learn more about the data and how you can use it on the CMAP website.

Policy Brief: CMAP data can help communities close sidewalk gaps, improve walkability

A new <u>Policy Brief</u> looks at communities across the region to assess areas where population density, existing amenities, and access to transit indicate opportunity to improve and invest in sidewalk infrastructure. Taking into account the needs and character of individual communities, planners and community members can use this data to optimize commercial development, close gaps in trails and multi-use paths, and make transit more accessible, among other uses. This is the second analysis of CMAP's new sidewalk inventory, the first <u>policy brief</u> examined improving sidewalk coverage near transit.

Metropolitan Chicago's Traded Industry Clusters Technical Report (March 2020)

As a part of ON TO 2050 implementation, CMAP has focused on developing long-term economic strategies to support <u>traded industry clusters</u>. The research provides a framework for organizing strategic policies and investments. Traded clusters are groups of interlinked businesses that sell goods and services in markets outside the region, bringing in new business activity. CMAP's <u>ongoing research</u> identifies challenges and opportunities among these core industrial assets, as well as strategies to support robust regional growth.

Regional Flood Susceptibility Index

CMAP has developed urban and riverine flood susceptibility indexes (FSI) to identify priority areas across the region for flood mitigation activities. Locations highlighted in the FSI may be more susceptible to riverine or urban flooding than other parts of the region. Streets and Buildings within these areas could be more susceptible to overbank flooding, surface ponding, overland flow, water seepage, and basement backups due to the presence of flood-related physical conditions that are correlated with reported flood damages. The FSIs are spatially-depicted through raster grids and are available for the seven counties of northeastern Illinois. More information about the FSI methodology, as well as the FSI index rasters and flood-related factor data, are available for download on the CMAP Data Hub. CMAP is currently using the index to integrate stormwater management strategies into CMAP Local Technical Assistance (LTA) projects. See the Guide to Flood Susceptibility and Stormwater Planning for information on how to use the FSI in planning activities. CMAP developed the FSI with critical support from the John D. and Catherine T. MacArthur Foundation.

III. Innova EV Presentation

Katya Iwanik gave a presentation on behalf of Innova EV, which provides zero-emission last-mile mobility through a shared and on-demand platform complementing other existing transportation options to enhance access to campuses, cities and neighborhoods. Katya noted that Innova EV currently serves Bronzeville in Chicago as well as an office campus in Itasca.

IV. Bike/Ped Coordinator Update

Kane County Bike Share System Updates

KKCOM staff has continued to work towards a regional bike share network that will offer its residents and visitors an additional transportation option and recreational amenity.

Due to the COVID-19 precautions taken by municipalities, many of the previously committed participants were forced to cut the bike share program from their budget. With that being said, many communities and private partners will still be moving forward with the program in 2020. Below are a list of participants and their anticipated station locations:

- Village of Montgomery
 - Village Hall (4 bikes)
- City of Elgin
 - Station locations unknown
- Shodeen Homes
 - o Herrington Inn (Geneva)
 - Geneva Metra Station
 - o Prairie Center Development (St. Charles)

The City of Batavia and the City of Aurora are still determining whether or not they will move forward with the program this year. Many communities have committed to joining the program in May 2021.

Communities are working closely with Koloni, our bike share vendor, to deploy the bikes and begin the first weeks of operation. The company and its participants are taking several safety precautions to ensure that the bikes are safe and clean for its users.

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Due to school closures related to COVID-19, the entire program was conducted remotely. With the assistance of teachers and school administrators, there was a still great turnout for the program. In total, 132 students registered for the program from the five schools. From those who submitted logs, a total of 25,422 minutes were rode! This equates to approximately 324 miles traveled and over 45,000 calories burned.

Many bikes were donated to be provided to students who didn't have access to one but still wanted to take part in the program. Two bikes were donated to local students out of the total 15 that were donated by Working Bikes, a Chicago-based non-profit organization. The remaining bikes will be donated to local organizations like Bikes for Batavia, Boys & Girls Club, and local families in need.

The program will be conducted in 2021, with the same five schools invited to take part. In addition to the original schools, five more schools will be invited to apply and participate. The application process will open in December 2020.

NACTO's Streets for Pandemic Response and Recovery

The National Association of City Transportation Officials (NACTO) recently released <u>Streets for Pandemic Response and Recovery</u>, providing cities around the world with detailed strategies they can use to redesign and adapt their streets for new uses both during the COVID-19 crisis and in the recovery. The resource compiles emerging practices from cities worldwide and includes adaptable information on implementing COVID-19 rapid-response and recovery street design treatments. This new resource is part of NACTO's COVID-19 Transportation Response Center, which continues to track and share cities' emergency response to the pandemic.

As the COVID-19 global pandemic altered every aspect of urban life in recent months, city transportation officials have quickly implemented new street design and management tools to keep essential workers and goods moving, provide safe access to grocery stores and other essential businesses, and safe space for social/physical distancing while getting outside. Streets for Pandemic Response and Recovery compiles these tactics and emerging practices in their application to different phases of local pandemic response.

From converting curbside lanes into expanded sidewalks or bike lanes; to creating pedestrianonly or slow and shared streets to enable physical distancing; to designating sidewalk or street space for cafe seating or outdoor dining; to sidewalk or roadbed queue zones for people waiting to enter small businesses, the new resource provides technical assistance, real-world examples, and information on planning, public engagement, design and implementation, and ongoing monitoring for each strategy.

Designed to respond as quickly as cities are, Streets for Pandemic Response and Recovery will be revised and expanded regularly as more data becomes available on what approaches are the most successful at meeting city goals. Currently, the resource covers emerging practices including pick-up and delivery zones, pop-up bike lanes, transit lanes and sidewalks, outdoor dining spaces, play streets, and market streets. Over the coming weeks, the resource will be revised and expanded based on city experience, the rapidly-evolving nature of the COVID-19

pandemic, and the real-time evidence of the effects of these new street treatments on mobility, public health, and local economies.

As of May 21, 2020, Streets for Pandemic Response and Recovery includes an introduction to using streets for recovery and response (pdf) and detailed implementation information about the following street strategies:

- Lanes for Biking & Rolling
- Sidewalk Extensions
- Transit Lanes
- Slow Streets
- Pick-Up & Delivery Zones
- Outdoor Dining
- Markets

Streets for Pandemic Response and Recovery was funded by Bloomberg Philanthropies and developed by NACTO, NACTO's Global Designing Cities Initiative, Bloomberg Associates, Street Plans, and Sam Schwartz Consulting. It is available as a free download on <u>NACTO's COVID-19</u> <u>Iransportation Response Center</u>.

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 website for additional information.
- Illinois Transportation Enhancement Program (ITEP): IDOT has postponed the Cycle 14 call for projects until late summer/ early fall of 2020 to allow time to thoroughly develop a program that incorporates both the federal funds and the recent supplemental state funding being set aside from the Road Fund. (20 ILCS 2705-615)

Previous Cycle 14 guidance stated that Phase I engineering must be complete in order to apply for an ITEP grant. With the additional state funds, this criteria will not be required. Other changes to the program include at least 25% of funding being directed toward projects in high-need communities, based on community median income and total property tax base. As well as local match funds being determined on a sliding scale based on community size, median income, and total property tax base.

• Safe Routes to School (SRTS): The next Funding Cycle for Illinois Safe Routes to School is anticipated to take place in the fall of 2020.

Event Announcements

- Ride Illinois Bike Summit: The annual Bike Summit will take place on Tuesday, Sept. 15th. The event will feature a day of learning and networking with nearly 300 bicycle advocates, planners, engineers, transportation agency staff, and other from around the state. With a range of session topics from bikeway design and tips to advocacy and community engagement the summit offers strategies to help you make progress in your town. To learn more about the Summit, please visit Ride Illinois' website.
- APA-IL State Conference 2020: This year's APA Illinois State Conference will be hosted virtually from September 16-18, The conference will give attendees three days of quality education, networking, and special events will boost your professional development.

V. Implementation Updates

a. <u>Director Updates</u>

Monica Meyers gave updates on behalf of the Kane County Forest Preserve.

Raymond Street Tunnel Project

The project has been delayed several times due to slight movement of the railroad tracks

during construction; however, the goal is to have the project constructed in 2020 with an opening of the tunnel in Spring 2021.

Fox River Trail Switchback (South Elgin)

Bid opening for the project was delayed due to the COVID-19 Stay at Home Order.

Great Western Trail Extension to Randall Rd

The appraisal process for the parcels has been approved by IDOT, enabling the consultant to move forward.

Elgin Fox River Trail Resurfacing Project

Project bids are underway; construction due to be complete by the end of the calendar year.

b. Local Agency Updates

Local agency attendance was lighter than normal and there were no local agency updates. Ryan mentioned that the Kane Kendall Bike Map refresh is nearly complete and ready for printing.

VI. E-Bike Discussion

Ryan led an E-Bike discussion pertaining to local regulations on trail facilities. There was some discussion about the nature and scope of motorized vehicle bans from the Kane County forest Preserve as related to E-assist bicycles. Issues mentioned included the difficulties in regulating bicycles based on classification on the trail system as well as design capacity and safety on the trail system.

VII. Next Meeting

The next KKCOM Bike Ped Committee Meeting will held September 17th, 2020 either in person or online.

VIII. Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned at 2:43p.m. following a motion from Ed Barsotti and a Second from Dave Simmons.

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Bicycle and Pedestrian Committee Thursday, December 10, 2020 11:00 a.m. Zoom Meeting Minutes

Attendance

Monica Meyers - Chair Amanda Rafter Dave Simmons Joshua Harris Roopa Anjanappa Jerad Chipman Chris Gottlieb Rosie Edwards Zach Tegge Jackie Forbes Troy Simpson Noah Jones

Executive Director Management Analyst **Executive Director** Project Manager Engineer Senior Planner Engineer Dance and Adventure Supervisor

Council Director Planning Liaison Planning Liaison

Kane County Forest Preserve Village of East Dundee Ride Illinois Baxter and Woodman City of Aurora Village of Montgomery City of St. Charles St. Charles Park District

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I. **Opening of Meeting**

- a. Bike Ped Committee Chair Monica Meyers called the meeting to order at 11:06 a.m.
- b. Approval of September 8th, 2020 Minutes A motion was made by Jerad Chipman to approve the minutes from the September 8th, 2020 KKCOM Bike Ped Committee Meeting. The motion was seconded by Monica Meyers and passed unanimously.

II. **General Business**

a. Planning Liaison Update

Noah Jones gave the PL Update

Upcoming Meetings

The next KKCOM Transportation Policy Committee will be taking place on January 21, 2021 on Zoom.

The next KKCOM Bike Ped Committee will be taking place on February 18, 2021 on Zoom.

Funding Opportunities/Announcements

CMAP STP- Shared Fund and CMAQ/TAP Programs

The next call for STP-Shared Fund and CMAQ/TAP projects will be in January 2021. As a reminder, Phase 1 Engineering must be substantially complete by the time applications are due (mid-March) for STP-Shared and for CMAQ/TAP projects. View the approved draft application packet on the CMAP website.

FEMA Flood Mitigation Assistance Program (FMA)

The Flood Mitigation Assistance Program is a competitive grant program that provides funding to states, local communities, federally recognized tribes and territories. Funds can be used for projects that reduce or eliminate risk of repetitive flood damage to buildings insured by the National Flood Insurance Program. Recipients are chosen based on the ranking as well as the eligibility and cost-effectiveness of the project. Recipients are required to develop and adopt a hazard mitigation plan as a condition for receiving the funds. Applications are due to FEMA on January 29, 2021 at 3:00pm, with awards anticipated in Summer 2021. Read more on the FEMA website.

FEMA Building Resilient Infrastructure and Communities Program (BRIC)

The Building Resilient Infrastructure and Communities grant program is a new FEMA pre-disaster hazard mitigation program that replaces the existing Pre-Disaster Mitigation (PDM) program. The annual mark for the program has increased to \$500 million, up from an average of \$100 million per annum. The program's focus is on capability and capacity building, with eligible projects including moving buildings out of floodplains and strengthening building codes. Applications are due to FEMA on January 29, 2021 at 3:00pm. Read more on the FEMA website.

Five Star and Urban Waters Restoration Program

The Five Star and Urban Waters Restoration Program, through the National Fish and Wildlife Foundation, focuses on the stewardship and restoration of coastal, wetland and riparian ecosystems across the country. Those interested can view the Request for Proposals for more information. Proposals are due by January 28, 2021.

KKCOM Staff Activities

Council staff attended the Bicycle Infrastructure and IDOT Policies Training on **September 14**, **2020**.

Staff attended the Illinois Bike Summit on **September 15, 2020** and the Illinois APA Conference, which occurred **September 16 – September 18, 2020**.

Staff attended the 2020 IDOT Fall Planning Conference sessions throughout **October** on the Effects of COVID-19 on Transportation and Planning, Active Transportation Funding, Mapping and Access, Electrification and Planning and Environmental Linkages.

Staff attended sessions for the 7th Annual Summit on Regional Competitiveness from **November 16 – November 20**, hosted by the Federal Reserve Bank of Chicago and the Alliance for Regional Development. Of note were transportation-heavy sessions on Systematic Impacts of Mobility Innovations, Reshaping Mobility, and Transforming the Great Lakes Port.

KKCOM Agreement Tracker

KKCOM staff have compiled an <u>agreement tracker</u> on the council <u>STP page</u> where local agencies can check in to see how long it has been since an agreement was submitted as well as track expected times to assist with Active Program Management. The tracker includes all federal funding sources.

Mobility/Travel COVID-19 Data

Council staff have been keeping up-to-date reports on mobility data provided by Google Maps giving insights into the type of travel people are undertaking in our local region as well as the volume of travel during the COVID-19 situation. Reports will continue to be updated so long as the data is available. The reports/data are hosted on <u>GitHub</u>.

Regional Transportation Authority COVID Dashboard

The RTA has provided a region-wide dashboard for ridership and fare box trends due to the ongoing pandemic, including revenue impacts to the RTA Sales Tax. Current data show ridership resilience as strongest for bus services, both in the suburbs and the city, with Metra seeing the greatest overall declines in ridership. See the dashboard on the RTA website.

RTA 2021 Regional Transit Operating Budget and Capital Program

The Regional Transportation Authority (RTA) is now accepting comment through Thursday, December 17, on the Proposed 2021 Regional Transit Operating Budget and Capital Program. View this year's budget process to learn more about how to provide public comment.

2020 IDOT Illinois Motorist Survey

The Illinois Department of Transportation is seeking feedback on the state's transportation system through its annual Illinois traveler opinion survey, available through Dec. 31. The survey is available online by clicking here or visiting idot.illinois.gov.

CMAP News

Reminder – CMAP Sidewalk Inventory

ON TO 2050, the region's comprehensive plan, encourages the development of compact, walkable communities. To support this recommendation, CMAP created the Sidewalk Inventory. This publicly available tool provides data that identifies gaps or opportunities for connections in a community's sidewalk network. Watch the new video to learn how communities can use the database to prioritize sidewalk improvements in the future. KCOMM

staff created a localized accessible map of this data which can be filtered based on population and employment projections from ON TO 2050. It should be noted that those projections are due to undergo adjustments due to COVID.

b. Bike Share System 2020 Report/2021 Plans

Jackie Forbes gave an update regarding the Bike Share System. She mentioned that the start date was pushed back to July 31st due to COVID. Batavia seemed to have some problems to begin with regarding their fleet, but because of this, Koloni gave them additional bikes. Jackie mentioned that the municipalities involved in the bike share this past year are involved in a two year contract with Koloni. The bikes were pulled November 15th, with the riding season coming to an end. The bikes could be back out as early as May 15th, but no later than June 1st. There was a total of 277 rides overall form July 31st to November 15th. The stations with the highest ridership included Aurora City Hall, Festival Park (Elgin), Fountain Square (Elgin), and the Depot Museum (Batavia). Overall the bike share system total revenue brought in \$1,730.78. About 70% of riders were individual riders, while 30% of riders were membership riders. Jackie mentioned the meeting that KKCOM had with the sponsors. That meeting included going over what worked and what needs to be worked on with Koloni. They will be responding to that list. Hopefully by May they will have all of those issues worked out. One of the main problems was that sponsors weren't able to go on their dashboard and look at only their information. Jackie also mentioned that if any of the municipalities on the call was interested on the bike share to reach out to KKCOM staff, specifically Troy Simpson. Rosie Edwards asked for specific feedback that we got this year. Jackie mentioned that Elgin had some problems with misplaced bikes. Koloni was also supposed to be straightforward with reaching out to potential vendors, but the COVID situation pulled those conversations away. Overall, each city had just about a rider per day in the time that we were operating in. Troy Simpson mentioned that there was an issue with billing at the end of the year. The vendors notified that they were working on rounding up the final invoices for the cities so that they can receive their portion of revenue for the program. Initially this was supposed to be monthly and delivered to the accounting section of the municipalities. Rosie then asked if it was possible we would look at different vendors after 2021. Troy said that this was the only program that responded back the first time for the bike share program. He said he's not too sure what the availability looks like in our area for different bike share programs. He did mention however, that new oncoming sponsors may be able to get a one year deal so they are on the same schedule as the municipalities that did this last year. Troy briefly went over the services agreement that were signed by municipalities so people can get an idea over costs and everything else.

III. Announcements/Updates

a. Coordinator Updates

Troy Simpson gave a few announcements and updates.

COVID Cycling Trends

The drastic changes to the transportation landscape seen over the past 9 months have seen some positive impacts to both the trip volume of current cyclists as well as the number of individuals participating in cycling overall. Council staff have gathered some data on this topic using several different measurement methods.

Strava

Council staff gained access to the Strava Metro dashboard and have localized active transportation data for both Kane and Kendall Counties. The data are compiled from individual user entries into the Strava mobile application, and are contextualized within the past four years.

2020 data for Kane County shows that total bicycle trips have far more than doubled over the norms from the previous three years, the number of individuals reporting trips have almost doubled, working age adults and children have garnered an increased proportion of total trips, and the ratio of locals to visitors making cycling trips within the county has increased from 1:2 to 1:1.

2020 data for Kendall County shows that bicycle trips have more than doubled over the norms from

the previous three years, the number of individuals reporting trips has increased ~60%, young adults and children have garnered an increased proportion of total trips, and the ratio of locals to visitors making cycling trips within the county has increased from 1:5 to 1:4.

Replica

Council staff have had access to Replica data since October of 2019. Replica have recently updated their dashboard to provide visuals of year over year changes in trip modes. Replica actually reports an oscillating trend for bicycle trips, where the lockdown periods in March and more recently see barely increased (or near same) 2020 mode share in Kane County for bicycles and the months in between see decreased mode share. This should be taken with a grain of salt; however, because Replica is only reporting data for weekday trips in this instance, not weekend. The data showed substantially similar weekday trends for Kendall County.

Google Mobility

Council staff have been compiling data reporting from Google Maps on changes in trip navigation requests from January 2020. The trip request data were broken out not by mode but by location type. Data for parks in Kane County showed 200-300% weekend spikes in requests for trips, with lower differentials for weekday values. This is perhaps consistent with the data reporting from Replica. Kendall County requests for the same trip type were statistically significant for reporting purposes.

Illinois Transportation Enhancement Program 2020 Initial Results

Council staff attended the December CMAP Bicycle and Pedestrian Task Force meeting, at which the Active Transportation Alliance reported initial results for ITEP applications for cycle 14:

- Cycle 13 (2018) ~230 applicants, \$30M in funding available
- Cycle 14 (2020) ~250 applicants, \$105.6M available

It is expected that a much higher ratio of applications will be approved, provided the average cost per project has not substantially increased. The next round of ITEP applications is due to occur in 2022.

Fox River Trail Signage Inventory Updates

Batavia

Council staff are in the process of updating the Fox River Trail Signage Inventory to accommodate substantial changes to signage in Batavia. It is anticipated that the signage map will be updated with the new information prior to the meeting.

Tri-Com Dispatch

The Fox River Trail Signage Inventory included rural address mile markers, which council staff recently provided to Tri-Com central dispatch due to reports of emergency calls on the Fox River Trail where responders were asked to locate callers based on mile markers. Both existing and future signs were provided.

Batavia Bicycle Commission

The Batavia Bicycle Commission is currently working on plans to address local safety issues on the Fox River Trail within the City of Batavia. The commission is currently working on creative signage ideas as well as trail alterations to this effect. The City of Batavia has also included an update to their Bicycle and Pedestrian Plan in their 2021 city budget.

People for Bikes Advocacy Academy

People for Bikes is an advocacy group that operates nationwide, and is well known for their comprehensive bicycle friendliness ratings. City ratings are available for Aurora, St Charles and Batavia.

People for Bikes, through their Advocacy Academy, is hosting a video series for city leaders, decision makers and advocates. There are three parts to this series:

• Series 1 (Recordings available): Lessons from the Best Biking Cities

- Series 2 (Recordings available): Understanding the People for Bikes City Ratings
- Series 3 (Available soon): How to Make a City Great for Biking

FHWA Pedestrian Safety Action Plan

The FHWA has been conducting efforts focused on targeting pedestrian safety, in response to increased pedestrian deaths since the recession and now further increased pedestrian deaths during the COVID pandemic. Per the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration, pedestrians comprised 17 percent of traffic fatalities in 2019. Several steps have been taken by the FHWA, including the establishment of October 2020 as Pedestrian Safety Month and the release of the FHWA STEP (Safe Transportation for Every Pedestrian) countermeasures resources.

Most recently on November 23rd, the USDOT released the Pedestrian Safety Action Plan, outlining summary statistics regarding pedestrian crashes, accomplished goals through 2020, and future goals beyond 2020. Take a look at the plan here.

Bicycle and Pedestrian Resources for KKCOM

Council staff would like to remind members of the Bicycle and Pedestrian Committee of some of the resources we have available on the Bicycle and Pedestrian Resources page on the KDOT websites as well as the Bike/Ped Info page on the KKCOM website.

These include:

- KKCOM Bike Ped App (Continuously Updated)
- KKCOM Bicycle Facilities Implementation Dashboard (Continually Updated)
- Kane and Northern Kendall County Bike Map (Updated will not be printed until completion of Longmeadow Parkway Trail)
- Fox River Trail Signage Inventory (Continually Updated)
 - o Signage Spreadsheet
 - Location Map

b. Director Updates

Monica gave a few director updates. She gave an update on the Fox River Trail near Raven Street. This project consists of a tunnel that goes underneath the railroad. The railroad hasn't been easy to work with on this project. She mentioned that this project has started and stopped about six different times over this summer. There is no work going on right now because they need to hire back the railroad union staff. The staff is currently working on a different project. They are currently trying to burrow under the railroad embankment. They had to do a change order for this project to do grouting on portions of the tunneling system. They have however punched all the way through. The tunnel is now ready to be installed but the contractor is on another project due to the delays. This project will be starting back up the first week of January. Monica said she is confident that this project will be done in 2021, which is good news because they had a feeling that this project may get shut down.

She also mentioned the work happening on the Fox River Trail near the water treatment plant in Elgin. This is a resurfacing project while also replacing culverts that run underneath the trail. This portion in particular ended up being about a mile of trail that they are resurfacing. The replacing of culverts underneath the trail is something that is new. By the time the culverts are done, everything else will be done by next summer.

c. Public/Local Agency Updates

There were three public/local agency updates given.

- Roopa Anjanappa gave an update on behalf of Aurora. The main update was for the Edgelawn Drive bike project. It is at the end of Phase II and going into Phase III. They are looking for a March 5th, 2021 letting and they are looking forward to project completion. They have acquired local rail highway safety program for the Edgelawn Drive Parkway for over the tracks. They are planning on building an eight foot wide bikepath over the tracks on the east side of the road. Roopa did mention that this problem is going to take time. Aurora will be using federal funds for all of the phases. The construction for this project will most likely be in 2024.
- Dave Simmons gave an update on behalf of Ride Illinois. He mentioned that there was a request for Sandbloom Road to have more three feet passing signs on the road to give

cyclists the minimum of three feet for cars that pass them. Dundee Township said that they will be putting these signs up. Dave did say that Algonquin has already put their signs up for this section.

 Jerad Chipman gave an update on behalf of Montgomery. He mentioned that they have completed the segment of bike path between the Stuart Sports Complex and the nearby neighborhood.

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IV. Next Meeting(s)

The next meeting will be **February 18th**, **2020** on Zoom.

V. Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned at 12:00p.m. following a motion from Jerad Chipman and a Second from Chris Gottlieb.