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KKCOM Bicycle & Pedestrian Committee Agenda

Thursday, September 17, 2026
2:00 p.m.

***In Person*:**
Forest Preserve District of Kane County
1996 S. Kirk Rd, Suite 320
Geneva, IL 60134

I. Opening of Meeting ..... Chair
A. Introductions ..... All
B. Approval of April 7, 2026 minutes ..... Chair
Action: Approval
C. Public Comment ..... All

II. General Business
A. Bicycle & Pedestrian Coordinator Update ..... KKCOM Staff
Action: Information on funding calls, training opportunities, and planning efforts.
B. New E-Mobility Law SB 3484 ..... KKCOM Staff
Action: Update on law taking effect January 1, 2027.
C. Bicycle Friendly Communities ..... All
Action: Discussion of progress and upcoming efforts.
D. Summer Bike Events Discussion ..... All
Action: Discussion of events held, successes, and lessons learned.
E. Committee Bylaws Discussion ..... KKCOM Staff
Action: Vote to recommend that the Bike/Ped Committee bylaws are updated.

III. Announcements/Updates
A. Chair Updates ..... Chair
Action: Information
B. Local Agency Updates ..... All
Action: Information
C. Community Updates ..... All
Action: Information

IV. Next Meeting
Winter 2027

V. Adjournment

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Tuesday, April 7, 2026
2:00 p.m.

Hybrid: Forest Preserve District Headquarters and Zoom

Attendance

Jennifer Rooks-Lopez, Chair	Chief of Planning & Operations	FPDKC
Ben Haberthur	Executive Director	FPDKC
Zach Tegge	Landscape Architect	FPDKC
Gretchen Klock	Bike/Ped Coordinator	KKCOM
Heidi Files	Executive Director	KKCOM
Heidi Lichtenberger	Council Director	KKCOM
Ken Anderson	Business Development	ERA
Kevin Anderson	Traffic Engineer	City of Aurora
Roopa Anjanappa	Civil Engineer	City of Aurora
Brian Davids	City Engineer	City of Geneva
Karen Heidlauf	Owner	Mill Race Cyclery
Chris Gottlieb	Engineering Manager	City of St. Charles
Jayme Muenz	Alderperson	City of St. Charles
Laura Rudow	Superintendent of Parks & Planning	St. Charles Park District
Don Kirchenberg	Chairman	Friends of the GWT
Ken McClurg	VP	IPP Corp.
Scott Nadeau	Executive Director	Sugar Grove Park District
Mark DeDina	Superintendent of Parks & Facilities	Sugar Grove Park District
Anna Tang (online)	Bicycle Friendly America Program Specialist	League of American Bicyclists

I. Opening of Meeting

A. Jennifer Rooks-Lopez called the meeting to order at 2:02. Everyone made introductions.

B. Approval of the September 29, 2025 minutes.
Scott Nadeau made a motion to approve the minutes, seconded by Ken Anderson. The minutes were approved unanimously.

C. Public Comments
There were no public comments.

II. General Business

A. Bicycle & Pedestrian Coordinator Update

Gretchen Klock from KKCOM delivered the Bicycle & Pedestrian coordinator update, as included in the agenda packet.

B. Bicycle Friendly Communities

Anna Tang from the League of American Bicyclist joined online to discuss the upcoming 2026 BFC Workshop to be held at the Kane County Government Center June 25-26. The morning of Day 1 will be a discussion on bicycle friendly communities and there will be a bike ride in the afternoon to discuss the amenities and infrastructure while applying the E5 Category framework. Day 2 will be action planning to discuss what improvements can be made in the next 12 months and beyond.

C. E-Bikes & E-Motos

Gretchen provided information about current e-Bike regulations in Illinois and information and guidance from Ride IL regarding efforts to define and regulate e-Motos or out-of-class electric vehicles. Multiple bills are in the works at the General Assembly about defining and regulating micro-mobility devices. The Secretary of State has launched an online campaign called Ride Safe - Ride Smart – Ride Ready. The website provides the current Illinois regulations. The State is looking to pass state-wide mandates for bicycles, unicycles, electric skateboards, scooters, and more.

III. Announcements/Updates

A. Director Updates

Jennifer Rooks-Lopez gave an update on the Forest Preserve's Prairie Path Resurfacing Project which extends from Kirk Road east to the DuPage County Line. Later this year, they plan to do shoreline stabilization, culvert improvements, and asphalt improvements for the section of the Fox River Trail north of John Duerr Forrest Preserve to SEBA Park in South Elgin. Guardrails and shoreline tree removal along the river are included in the scope as well.

B. Public/Local Agency Updates

Don Kirchenberg mentioned the 35th anniversary of the annual GWT cleanup will take place in April. The Cities of Aurora and Geneva are hosting bike rodeos.

IV. Next meeting

The next meeting will be Summer 2026.

V. Adjournment

Scott Nadeau made a motion to adjourn the meeting. The meeting was adjourned at 2:30 p.m.

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DATE: September 17, 2026

TO: KKCOM Bicycle & Pedestrian Committee

FROM: Council Staff

RE: Bicycle & Pedestrian Coordinator Update

Upcoming Meetings

KKCOM Transportation Policy: October 15
KKCOM Full Council: December 1

Funding Opportunities

ITEP Cycle 17

Cycle 17 of the Illinois Transportation Enhancement Program (ITEP) opened on August 1 and will close **October 5 at 5 p.m.** ITEP primarily funds bicycle/pedestrian facilities and streetscapes projects, amongst other project types. $157M will be available this cycle with an increased maximum award amount of $5M per project. Eligible projects types and details are available in the 2026 ITEP Guidelines document available on the IDOT ITEP webpage. The Active Transportation Alliance is again partnering with IDOT to host 3 ITEP webinars to assist municipalities with the application. The last webinar, a Q&A session with IDOT Staff, will be September 16 at 11 a.m.: Webinar 3 Registration. Recordings of the previous webinars are available as well.

CMAP 2028-2032 STP Shared Fund, CMAQ & TAP-L CFP

CMAP will open their call for projects for the STP-Shared Fund program, CMAQ program, and TAP-L program on October 19. Applications will close on December 18. Final approval of selected projects is expected in June 2027. Details on each program are below:

The Surface Transportation (STP) Shared Fund program is a federally funded program that supports highways and bridges, transit capital projects, and bike and pedestrian projects. Projects must have a total cost of at least $5M or have at least three sponsor agencies.

The Congestion Mitigation and Air Quality (CMAQ) Improvement program is a federally funded program that supports improvements like traffic flow improvements, transit upgrades, and bike infrastructure that improve air quality and alleviate congestion.

The locally programmed Transportation Alternatives Program (TAP-L) provides federal funding for bicycle facility projects that serve a transportation purpose, not just recreation. CMAP uses a competitive process to select bicycle and pedestrian projects to that help complete the Regional Greenways and Trail Plan.

Training/Conferences

ADA Coordinators Group

The next meeting of IDOT's ADA Coordinators Group will be held on September 24 at 9:30 a.m. Registration for the virtual meeting is available on IDOT's T2 Training Portal. The topic of the meeting has not yet been announced.

National Bike Summit

The League of American Bicyclists is hosting their annual National Bike Summit on March 9-11 in Washington, DC. The agenda for this year's conference is not available but last year's agenda is available for reference.

Ride IL Bike Summit

Ride Illinois will be hosting the 2027 Illinois Bike & Walk Summit at the Bank of Springfield Center in Springfield on April 13-14. Initial information is available online. Day 1 will consist of speakers, breakout sessions, and workshops focused on safety, accessibility, and connectivity for pedestrians and bicyclists. Day 2 be a Lobby Day for advocates and individuals with a technical training session available for planners, engineers, and municipal staff. Information is available online but registration is not yet available.

Planning Updates

IDOT Walk.Roll.Illinois Plan

IDOT is rolling out Illinois' first statewide Active Transportation Plan: Walk.Roll.Illinois. This plan serves as the strategic guide for the Illinois Department of Transportation (IDOT) to create or update policies, practices and processes that support active transportation across the state. Along with this plan, IDOT has created a Local Implementation Guide to assist communities by providing ideas, case studies, funding opportunity information, and best practices for enhancing active transportation.

IDOT ADA Transition Plan Templates and Companion Guide

IDOT has partnered with CMAP and HDR to produce an ADA Transition Plan for the Public ROW template and companion guide to assist local agencies with compliance. These resources are available on the on the IDOT ADA Title II webpage. The template provides agencies with a step-by-step process to comply with ADA Title II requirements. IDOT is accepting feedback on the templates to improve and finalize the documents.

Awarded Planning Projects

South Elgin is receiving assistance from NITA's Community Planning program for a corridor plan along IL 31/La Fox St from Bowes Rd to the Fox Valley Trolley Museum. This corridor is served by Pace Route 801 which is slated for service enhancements.

CMAP selected three Kane Kendall Municipalities for its Local Technical Assistance program. East Dundee was selected for an ADA Transition plan, Pingree Grove was selected for a Capital Improvement plan, and Sugar Grove was selected for a Travel Choice pilot plan.

Events

National Walk and Roll to School Day is October 7, 2026. Schools participating are invited to register their events with www.walkbiketoschool.org.

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DATE: September 17, 2026

TO: KKCOM Bicycle & Pedestrian Committee

FROM: Council Staff

RE: E-Bikes & E-Motos

On August 26, Governor Pritzker signed SB 3484 which establishes tiered compliance and regulation requirements for e-bikes, gas-powered bicycles, and motor-driven cycles. The legislation establishes statewide consistency, replacing the current patchwork of local ordinances that vary widely from one municipality to another. The new law takes effect January 1, 2027.

Illinois will maintain its current three-class e-bike structure, which covers pedal bicycles with electric motor assistance up to 28 mph—a framework already used in 46 other states. Under the new law taking effect January 1, 2027, those classifications will remain unchanged except for new age requirements that a rider on a Class 1 or Class 2 must be at least 15 years old. In addition:

- Riders of e-bikes and e-motos capable of traveling over 28 mph would be required to have a driver's license, title, registration, and insurance.
- High-speed micromobility devices such as e-scooters, electric skateboards, and electric unicycles would be prohibited from operating over 28 mph on roads, bike lanes, bike paths, and sidewalks. In addition, riders of any of these devices must be at least 16 years old.

A table from the IL Secretary of State's office detailing these changes is on the next page. The IL Secretary of State is also partnering with law enforcement agencies, schools, and municipalities through the "Ride Safe, Ride Smart, Ride Ready" campaign to promote responsible micromobility use. The Secretary gas also published other resources including a micromobility FAQ, safety guidance, and an e-bike buying guide for parents.

Know the Rules

Device Type	Image	Description	Speed Capability	Current Law	SB 3484
Low-Speed Electric Bicycle*		A bicycle with fully operable pedals and electric motor less than 750 watts. • **Class 1 Pedal-Assist** (Up to 20 mph): Motor only works when you pedal. No throttle. • **Class 2 Throttle-Assist** (Up to 20 mph): Motor can power the bike without pedaling. • **Class 3 Pedal-Assist** (Up to 28 mph): Motor only works when you pedal. **Fastest current classification.**	**20–28 mph**	• Allowed on streets, bike lanes, bike paths, and shared-use trails. • Prohibited on sidewalks. • Class 3 rider must be at least 16 years old.	• Allowed on streets, bike lanes, bike paths, and shared-use trails. • Prohibited on sidewalks. • Class 1 and 2 operators must be 15; Class 3 operators must be at least 16 years old; must be 18 to have a passenger unless they are a sibling, stepsibling, child, or stepchild of the operator.
High-Speed Electric Bicycle		Pedal bicycle with an electric motor of 750+ watts that can travel faster than 28 mph.	**Up to 50+ mph**	**NO REGULATION**	• Regulated as a motor-driven cycle. • Valid driver's license, title, registration, and insurance required. • Prohibited on sidewalks, bike lanes, and bike paths
E-Moto		Electric motor bike with a 750+ watt motor that can travel faster than 28 mph.	**Up to 50+ mph**	**NO REGULATION**	• Regulated as a motor-driven cycle. • Valid drivers license, title, registration, and insurance required. • Prohibited on sidewalks, bike lanes, and bike paths.
Electric Unicycle*		Self-balancing one-wheeled device with an electric propulsion system.	**Up to 50+ mph**	**NO REGULATION**	• Regulated as an electric micromobility device. • Operators must be 16. • Prohibited from operating over 28 mph and on sidewalks • Allowed on bike lanes, bike paths, and roads with speed limits up to 35 mph; allowed on roads with speed limits over 35 mph IF there is a bike lane.
Electric Skateboard*		Skateboard powered by an electric motor that can travel 15–40 mph.	**15–40 mph**	**NO REGULATION**	• Regulated as an electric micromobility device. • Operators must be 16. • Prohibited from operating over 28 mph and on sidewalks. • Allowed on bike lanes, bike paths, and roads with speed limits up to 35 mph; allowed on roads with speed limits over 35 mph IF there is a bike lane.
Low-Speed Electric Scooter*		A device with 2–3 wheels, handlebars, and a floorboard that can be stood upon while riding, powered by an electric motor and human power.	**10–20 mph**	• Regulation limited to scooters capable of traveling up to 10 mph. • Rider must be at least 18 years old. • Use on streets, bike lanes, bike paths, and shared-use trails, regulated locally. • Prohibited on streets with speed limit over 35 mph and state highways.	• Includes scooters up to 15 mph, regulated as an electric micromobility device. • Must be 16. • Prohibited from operating on sidewalks. • Allowed on bike lanes, bike paths, and roads with speed limits up to 35 mph; allowed on roads with speed limits over 35 mph IF there is a bike lane.
High-Speed Electric Scooter*		A device with 2–3 wheels, handlebars, and a floorboard that can be stood upon while riding, powered by an electric motor and human power **with a maximum speed over 20 mph**.	**Up to 50+ mph**	**NO REGULATION**	• Includes scooters over 15 mph, regulated as an electric micromobility device. • Must be 16. • Prohibited from operating over 28 mph and on sidewalks. • Allowed on bike lanes, bike paths, and roads with speed limits up to 35 mph; allowed on roads with speed limits over 35 mph IF there is a bike lane.
Toy Vehicle		Battery-powered toy device operating up to 10 mph, specifically designed for children under 8.	**Up to 10 mph**	**NO REGULATION**	• Allowed on sidewalks and bike paths unless prohibited locally.

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DATE: September 17, 2026

TO: KKCOM Bicycle & Pedestrian Committee

FROM: Council Staff

RE: Committee Bylaws Updates

KKCOM Staff is working on revising the KKCOM bylaws which were last updated in 2016. These proposed changes will be considered for approval by the Transportation Policy Committee and Full Council this Fall. KKCOM has been working with CMAP on this update process to ensure that all changes are compliant with CMAP's policies.

The current KKCOM bylaws include the following paragraph regarding the Bicycle and Pedestrian Committee:

> The Bicycle and Pedestrian Committee is a standing committee established by the Transportation Policy Committee to focus on specific bicycle and pedestrian-related issues. Ad-hoc committees may be established with approval of the Transportation Policy Committee.

Staff identify that this paragraph does not address the specific membership and quorum requirements for the Bicycle and Pedestrian Committee and should be updated to provide clarity on the function of this committee.

KKCOM Staff propose that the "Bicycle and Pedestrian Committee" be renamed the "Bicycle and Pedestrian Workshop." Changing to a "workshop" format gives more flexibility in how the meetings are conducted as the members would not need a quorum to operate and would not need to follow Open Meetings Act requirements.

KKCOM intends to still incorporate public comment opportunities and will continue to produce agenda packets on the usual schedule. The Forest Preserve will continue to act as Chair and Host of the meetings.

KKCOM asks for consensus that these proposed changes are acceptable by the Committee. This action does not approve any changes to the bylaws, but directs Staff to refine these proposed changes and bring them to the TPC and Full Council for consideration.