

March 7, 2018 MINUTES

🚩 Welcome, Introductions, and News

- Members exchanged greetings.

🚩 The BFC meeting came to order.

- Alicia Jennings made a motion to approve the agenda. Bill Blessing seconded the motion. Motion passed unanimously.
- Bill Blessing made a motion to approve the January 3rd, 2018 minutes. Barry Nelson seconded the motion. Motion passed unanimously.

🚩 Review Yearly Calendar Agenda

- Discussed developing static pieces of the calendar to build the agenda with that information.
 - Yearly Examples:
 - CIP Program; regarding certain dates for budget approval, recommendations, etc.
 - Projects/Forecasts
 - Council Meetings
 - Departmental Meetings
 - SAB/Interested Committee Meetings
 - Chair Corbett attended the annual Leawood Sustainability Summit and HOA Meeting (LSSHOA) and was pleasantly surprised that many residents knew about the North Loop. Bill Blessing shared that the people who stopped by his table were interested in the loop. No objections to the sign size.
 - Chuck Sipple inquired about having a bike repair station at the other north end of the North Loop (Somerset). Brian Anderson will research the probability. Members want to make sure it will be utilized prior to spending the money. The one at Leawood City Park was donated by The Bike Club and is used frequently.
 - Member suggestions for the Yearly/Recurring Calendar
 - An annual or recurring event should be addressed at least 2 meetings ahead (presencing meeting) for discussion/approval and a debriefing meeting afterwards
 - January will be used to plan throughout the year with the goal of having the agendas 70% prefilled
 - Link, assess, and measure committee progress towards the masterplan and manifest it in an annual report to the council
 - Especially if seeking Bicycle Friendly Community (BFC) status (Honorable Mention was only good for 1 year, actual Bronze level or higher is good for 3 years) and time off taken to get some infrastructure projects done
 - Internal evaluations even if not submitting for BFC status, as it provides a benchmark while making progress
 - Required to go to the Planning Commission and give them a report on bike ped improvements (work session minutes are not forwarded to Council) and working from one source to send to others for approval (keep records)
 - CIP discussions in November to assess what was completed, look at what's coming for the following year and make recommendations
 - Since that time, we've done the following:
 - Recreational north loop
 - New bike event
 - Trail Bridge connection at 89th hook-up (Ward Parkway and Lee)

ATTENDEES

5:30 pm • Leawood City Hall
4800 Town Center Drive
Main Conference Room

Members

- Kevin Corbett, Chair**
- Alicia Jennings, Vice-Chair**
- Bill Blessing**
- Bill Day**
- David Harwood**
- Barry Nelson**
- Ron Schikevitz**
- Dan Schaeffer**

City Staff

- Chris Claxton**
Director of Parks & Recreation
- Brian Anderson**
Parks Superintendent
- Marica Putman**
Administrative Graphics Tech
- David Ley**, City Engineer
- Mark Klein**, Planning Official
- Phil Goff**, Police Officer
- Mark Hackathorn**, Police Officer

Guests

- Chuck Sipple, Council W3**

- Bike lanes at 133rd St., soon there will be bike lanes at Mission Road from 119th Street to 127th Street, and 143rd Street from Windsor to State Line Road next year and construction to start on Lee (2 year construction)

- Chair Corbett shares that this is a good start and would to review it more at the next meeting. Bill Blessing would like to have the old business and new business for the agenda.
- Brian Anderson will send out the report given after they last applied for Bicycle Friendly Community.

🚩 North Loop Update – Brian Anderson

- Bid opening for the installation of all the signs is March 15.
- He is currently designing the kiosk informational sign about the North Loop and map; possibly the South Loop by the trailhead. Map options: shortcuts/cut through of the loop information on the map and may need to go to council for approval.
- For the South Loop, staff needs to review the infrastructure and it is longer. The time to start the South Loop development is now for estimates. However, the process is delayed due to limited city resources such as the Parks & Recreation flooding issues (2 major floods in 4 weeks in - June and July, 2017 - at the Parks Facility in which the building/land was lost) and David Ley had been working as the Interim Public Works Director and City Engineer, at which time there is no City Engineer. It has been a trying year for City Departments. He will try to get the South Loop cost estimate, which may include a street project in the CIP this year.

🚩 Main Routes Update

- Laura Steele of BikeWalkKC has scheduled a Mini Blast program at Trailwood Elementary on March 29th from 1-3 pm. Leawood Police Officers will present it. Members wanting to go or volunteer will inform Brian Anderson and bring photo ID to the school.
 - Grades 3-6 safety instruction inside
 - Grades 3 will ride the bikes on the playground

🚩 Leawood STRIDE 'N RIDE

- June 9th.
- Additional information:
 - Scavenger hunt
 - Scheels is the lead sponsor and will have a booth and provide prizes
 - Promotion – Ad, magazines, flyers, posters, Facebook page, twitter, website, press releases, and more!
 - Food Truck
 - BMX Show
 - Police Instruction
 - BikeWalkKC will bring B-cycles
- At the next meeting, the group will decide their participation level for this event.
- Discuss publicizing the event local, metro, and nationally with the Discovery Trail entity. Brian Anderson will be meeting with Mike Goodwin with outdoorkansas.org and Kansas Trails Council. Mr. Goodwin has been mapping all trails that are in Kansas. He wants to map the ADT route.
 - Brian Anderson recently updated the American Discovery Trail Route. It now enters Kansas on the Indian Creek Trail at State Line Road and travels west through Leawood City Park.
 - Bill Blessing suggests manning a table with trail info and resources at the Stride N Ride

🚩 Committee Goals

- Clarifying the Mission Statement. Three main categories.
 - Education and Outreach
 - Main Routes to School
 - Working with City Processes to do Physical Improvements and CIP

🚩 City Department Reports

- Mark Klein, Planning.
 - There is a subdivision at 151st Street and Mission Road, directly south of Ironwoods Park (73 houses lots that proposed to go in) that would like connections going into the park (2 locations). There are trails being planned that will extend into the park from that subdivision and into an Overland Park subdivision (same developer). He explains in details while members discuss the development plan.
 - Final plan to Planning Commission for Park Place for the balance of the project there. Another 2 office buildings, residential, and hotel. They have talked to them about bike racks, etc.

- Phil Goff, Police.
 - No bike unit yet.
 - For overtime, Officers are encouraged to ride bike trails and Town Center Park Place.

 **Adjourn**

- Meeting adjourned.
- The next regular BFC meeting of May 2nd, 2018.
- Future meetings in 2018: July 11th (4th is a holiday), September 5, November 7.