

LIVABLE STREETS ADVISORY BOARD

ACTION LETTER

CITY OF LEE'S SUMMIT

Tuesday, May 25, 2021
6:30 p.m.

Present at the Meeting Call to Order –

Ed Kraemer	Present	Yvonne Ventimiglia	Present
Jan Nelson	Present	*Molly Wichman	Present
Jeffrey Brandhorst	Present	Eric Kratz	Present
Eric Vaughan	Absent	Vacant	Absent
Zach Burton	Present	Vacant	Absent
Gary Denny	Present		

*Chair. City Council Liaison Andrew Felker was Absent and Staff Liaison Michael Park was Present.

1. **CALL TO ORDER:**

Chair Molly Wichman called the meeting to order at 6:31 p.m.

2. **PUBLIC COMMENTS:**

Public comments from Mr. Dale Coy were received and read to the board pertaining to a request for code review in consideration of (re)defining small electric vehicle (e.g. scooters) use in the public right-of-way (and other public property/trails/parks). The board expressed its appreciation for Mr. Coy's comments and Mr. Park advised that Staff is working on this issue in coordination between Development Services, Public Works and Law departments in response to a recent request for BIRD accommodations. Our tentative schedule for Staff to review, draft, update and approve ordinances, codes, terms and conditions, etc. is about 6-9 months (starting a couple months back) on this issue.

3. **APPROVAL OF AGENDA:**

On motion of Gary Denny, second by Ed Kraemer, the Board voted unanimously to approve the agenda as posted.

4. **APPROVAL OF April 27, 2021 MEETING MINUTES:**

On motion of Zach Burton, second by Jan Nelson, the Board voted unanimously to approve the meeting minutes from April 27, 2021, as presented.

5. **PROJECT UPDATES/UPCOMING EVENTS:**

- Development and CIP Activity Update

Mr. Park provided an update on recent development projects before the Planning Commission/City Council. The City Comprehensive Plan, Ignite! was adopted as were the 2022-2026 Capital Improvement Plan, Greenway Master Plan update and new Airport Business Plan. There is a new subdivision planned at Bailey Farm. This project should install trail along the Bailey and Ranson frontage. The board unanimously voiced their support for a staff recommendation to include this trail in accordance with the Greenway Master Plan considering its absence from the application noted by Mr. Park that the Commission and Council would review. The Storm Water Utility Study consultant selection process is proceeding. Transit Route planning is underway at KCATA for the proposed connection between Independence Transit Center and Downtown Lee's Summit. 3rd Street is opening and Jefferson Street should be open before the next meeting too. We are also entering a

busy period of construction; so expect several major road closures this summer. Michael Park also addressed questions from the board about Kansas City road diets along 109th Street and along View High Drive.

6. ACTIVITIES, ASSIGNMENTS AND REPORTS:

- Encouragement/Education Committee
 - Articles and Media

Ms. Wichman reported on multiple articles published for Bike Month. The board reviewed May Bike and Walk Month completed and ongoing activities. Ms. Wichman called for more articles as nothing was yet prepared for next month.

- Development Standards/Codes Committee

Nothing to update at this time.

7. EVENT & ORGANIZATIONAL CHAMPION UPDATES/ROUNDTABLE:

Mr. Park shared news about the City receiving Bronze Bicycle Friendly Community designation from its renewal application submitted in February. This designation is valid through 2025. Although a feedback report is pending from the League of American Bicyclists, an area of improvement is in education (e.g. school BLAST program). Mr. Park also noted a declining emphasis on enforcement in the application process. Mr. Park gave an update on City Council considerations of allowed board meeting format (e.g. Zoom).

Ms. Nelson noted the start of several Parks and Recreation Summer programs and Concert Series.

Dr. Kraemer said HEAB is still not meeting due to a lack of membership. He also asked for any interests in participation for the recently rebooted Eastern Jackson County Missouri Consortium on Healthy Living workgroup.

Mr. Kratz provided an update on several special events and Ms. Wichman gave information on downtown activities (e.g. Artwalk).

8. NEXT MEETING:

The next meeting is scheduled June 22, 2021.

9. ADJOURN:

There being no further business, on motion by Ed Kraemer, second by Gary Denny, the Board voted unanimously to adjourn the meeting at 7:28 p.m.

Michael Park
City Traffic Engineer