



# MINUTES

## City of Flagstaff

### PEDESTRIAN ADVISORY COMMITTEE

Thursday, May 14, 2015 | 4:30 pm

City Hall, Council Conference Room  
211 West Aspen Avenue, Flagstaff, Arizona

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#### **CALL TO ORDER**

The meeting was called to order at 4:34 pm. On roll call, the following Committee members were present:

Kim Austin, co-chair  
Joyce Browning  
Georgia Duncan, vice-chair  
Jim Tuck

Members absent:

Heather Williams, co-chair  
Adam Langford  
Cecile LeBlanc

The following City staff was present:

Martin Ince, multimodal planner  
Dylan Monke, Montoya Fellow

Others present:

Jack Welch

#### **I. PRELIMINARY GENERAL BUSINESS**

##### **1. Announcements**

Dylan Monke was introduced as the new Montoya fellowship intern.

Mr. Tuck said that rental bikes should be available for the commuter ride during Bike-to-Work Week. He said that it is probably too late for this year, but should be considered in next year.

Ms. Austin reported that she and several of her colleagues observed dismissal pick-up at Basis School on the previous Wednesday. She described pick-up procedures and routes using a map, and said that a number of issues were observed. She said that issues were first raised by a parent at the school. There is a list of requirements to address pick-up and drop-off at the school that were part of the original site plan approval from the City. There is a concern that the issues will get worse as the area develops. The concerned parent would like to be on the next PAC agenda, but there is a question about what will be discussed and will it be productive. Observations from the dismissal should be reported to Jeff Bauman.

**2. Public Comment**

There was no Public Comment.

**3. Approval of Minutes**

Mr. Tuck made, and Ms. Duncan seconded, a motion to approve the minutes of the regular meeting of April 9, 2015. The motion was approved unanimously (4-0).

**II. OLD BUSINESS**

**1. Flagstaff Walks!**

The Committee discussed planned events for Flagstaff Walks!:

Cityscape

- The latest issue just came out
- The next issue will not come out until October

Science in the Park

- Possibility of sharing booth in the future with Operation Lifesaver
- Same theme as last time
- Request to be next to the Friends of the Rio booth

PAC Booth at Community Market

- May need to find others to help staff the booth

Walks

- The 3 themes will be geology, mural, and public art
- Jack will provide descriptions of each walk to Martin

Progressive Breakfast

- Start at transfer center
- Will include tour of Colton Park – Rio – future FUTS
- Stops will include Buzz, Mix, and Biffs

15-Minute Makeover

- Will focus on Route 66 FUTS east from downtown
- Start at Gandy Dancer statue

Crossing Guard Appreciation

- Make sure schools are aware in advance
- Get proclamation in advance from Mayor
- Adult Center walking group will sponsor Marshall school
- Contact someone at schools so kids can do something for crossing guards in advance

Arizona Trail Day

- September 12 at Buffalo Park
- Email to ATA to offer to participate
- The event will include a walk on the FUTS

**2. Pedestrian master plan**

Mr. Ince had no new information for the Committee.

**III. NEW BUSINESS**

**1. NAIPTA Section 5339 sidewalk grant**

Mr. Ince said reported that NAIPTA is considering applying for a federal grant to construct three missing sidewalk segments that are important to transit – north Fourth Street, Lone Tree Road, and Beulah Boulevard.

The Committee thought the Fourth Street segment would serve the most vulnerable population, but was concerned about how much space was available within the existing right-of-way. Since Lone Tree will be widened in the future, it is not clear how long the investment will last.

All three of the projects have benefits. The Committee asked procedurally how NAIPTA would be able to build City sidewalks.

**2. Operation Lifesaver presentation**

Mr. Tuck made a brief presentation on Operation Lifesaver, which is a nationwide rail safety program that is funded by the railroads. He said that about half of railroad fatalities are drivers, and the other half are pedestrians. On average there is about one fatality per day.

The Operation Lifesaver program includes a network of volunteers that will make presentations on request. There are also programs for kids, and volunteers are available to go to schools. The program has lots of available resources and information.

NAIPTA will be conducting Operation Lifesaver training in June.

The Committee asked if it were possible to get crash data for pedestrians in Flagstaff. It may work best to have our police contact BNSF police directly. The Committee was also interested in conducting counts of illegal crossings at several of the more well-used crossing points, like west of downtown and near Arrowhead.

**IV. CONCLUDING GENERAL BUSINESS**

**1. Reports**

There was no discussion on the Reports.

**2. Announcements**

There were no Announcements.

**V. ADJOURNMENT**

The meeting was adjourned at 6:02 pm.