



MINUTES

City of Flagstaff

PEDESTRIAN ADVISORY COMMITTEE

Thursday, August 14, 2014
4:30 pm

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

CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order at 4:36 pm. On roll call, the following Committee members were present:

Kim Austin, chair
Joyce Browning
Georgia Duncan
Cecile LeBlanc
Jim Tuck

Members absent:

Heather Taylor

One vacancy

The following City staff was present:

Martin Ince, multimodal planner
Stephanie Stearns, Montoya Fellowship intern

Others present:

Jack Welch
Susan Zucker

I. PRELIMINARY GENERAL BUSINESS

1. Announcements

Mr. Tuck announced that he is resigning from the City's Disability Awareness Commission, and as a result will no longer be the City liaison to NAU's CDAD. Kaitlyn Verfuert will be the new liaison.

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Ms. Duncan said she likes how the PAC's new procedural rules are written on the top of the agenda.

Ms. Austin said that the County will float her Safe Routes to School position until at least December.

2. Public Comment

Susan Zucker introduced herself and said she has been a pedestrian in Flagstaff for a number of years.

3. Approval of Minutes

Ms. Duncan made, and Ms. Browning seconded, a motion to approve the minutes of July 10, 2014. The motion was approved unanimously (4-0).

II. OLD BUSINESS

1. Flagstaff Walks!

The Committee continued planning for Flagstaff Walks! events:

Science in the Park

- County SafeKids will provide give-aways, probably slap bracelets. About 300 are needed. There are also zipper pulls left over from previous years.
- Ms. LeBlanc provided a list of items needed for the booth, which is similar to last year's, and will be the same items needed for the Community Market.

Jack's Walks

- Mr. Welch will lead a walk that visits the 3 downtown peace poles, and then ends at Heritage Square for the International Day of Peace celebration at Heritage Square.
- Ms. Stearns offered to lead a walk from the peace pole at NAU to Heritage Square.
- There are 16 PAWS statues around town; the route of the walk will visit some of the downtown locations as well as other public art sites.
- Coconino Coalition for Children and Youth can be involved and help promote the walk.

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- The Mural Walk will be similar to last year.
- Mr. Welch is also doing a Picture Canyon walk on September 27 in conjunction with the Festival of Science. The PAC agreed that it could be promoted as a Flagstaff Walks event.

Accessibility Audit

- NAU4All is not back on campus, so there has not been an opportunity to coordinate events with them. CDAD and NAU4All are two independent groups.
- NAU4All's scavenger hunt is done entirely on campus. Although the concept could be adapted for downtown, there is some concern about planning an event separate from NAU4All.
- Mr. Tuck will explore options with the Disability Awareness Commission

Progressive Breakfast

- The Committee settled on Late for the Train, Mix, and Biffs as the stops.
- The walk will leave from the downtown transfer center at 8:30 am.
- Mr. Welch will promote the event as one of his walks.

International Walk to School Day

- Knoles should be added as the fifth participating school.

Crossing Guard Appreciation

- There are probably 5 crossing guards in town. Karin Eberhard at FUSD would have an official list.
- The Committee would prefer to have a framed proclamation created for each guard.

Try Transit

- It may be possible to hand out bus passes at the Community Market.

Geocaching

- Incentive gifts may be provided by Peace Surplus.
- The letterboxing part of the walk may have to be developed.

15-Minute Makeover

- The clean-up will start at Freddy's on Beulah, and will focus on Woodlands Village Boulevard and the FUTS trail near Wal Mart.

2. Pedestrian master planning process

Ms. Stearns presented some very preliminary results of the walking and biking survey. She said she is organizing the responses by location and topic. The most-mentioned problem areas so far are Milton Road, Route 66, and Fourth Street, and the most common problems are lack of sidewalks, lack of crossings, and traffic. She also reported that races other than white are underrepresented in survey responses, and that the survey may be reopened to make sure that everyone in the community is represented.

The Committee had several questions and comments:

- How was the survey publicized?
- Ms. Austin offered to check to see if the survey can be administered at the County health building in the WIC offices. The Poore Clinic was also mentioned as a possibility.
- Flagstaff Shelter may be closed for the summer.
- Killip School has a parent academy every month. Sometimes they are well attended, sometimes they are not.
- The City Council may be able to help promote the survey. Councilmember Evans may be able to help via the Sunnyside Neighborhood Association.
- There was a discussion about right turn on red crashes, and whether this problem was mentioned in the survey responses.
- Solutions to the problems brought up can be divided into short, medium, and long term.

III. NEW BUSINESS

There was no New Business.

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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 6:01 pm.