



MINUTES

City of Flagstaff

PEDESTRIAN ADVISORY COMMITTEE

Thursday, January 14, 2010
4:30 pm

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

CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order at 4:40 pm. On roll call, the following Committee members were present:

Kim Austin, Co-Chair
Georgia Duncan, Vice Chair
Joyce Browning
Cecile LeBlanc
Rebecca Snow

Members absent:

Heather Taylor, Co-Chair
Sharon Grasso

The following City staff was present:

Martin Ince, Multimodal Planner

Others present:

Gerry Craig
Jack Johnson

I. PRELIMINARY GENERAL BUSINESS

1. Announcements

The Committee expressed its formal appreciation and offered its congratulations to Jack Welch for being the Arizona Daily Sun's Citizen of the Year.

Ms. LeBlanc asked if a quote from Jack Welch, "Every doorstep in Flagstaff is a trailhead" could be included somewhere on the City's website

Mr. Ince reported that Dale Shewalter had passed away on January 10. Dale was instrumental in getting the FUTS system started.

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2. Public Comment

There were no Public Comments.

3. Approval of Minutes

Ms. Duncan made, and Ms. LeBlanc seconded, a motion to approve the minutes of the regular meeting of November 12, 2009. The motion was approved unanimously.

II. OLD BUSINESS

1. Flagstaff Walks!

The Committee expressed its preference for the new name, "Flagstaff Walks!" and discussed each planned event:

First Friday Art Walk

Ms. LeBlanc offered to make a pitch to the Downtown Business Alliance for their support.

The Committee discussed the possibility of closing a street in conjunction with the First Friday Art Walk. Mr. Ince mentioned that the City's Sustainability Program was also interested in the concept, and said he would contact them for coordination. Ms. LeBlanc said she would help with permits.

Breakfast Walk

Chair Austin said she likes the idea of a breakfast walk, but wondered what would make it more successful. The Committee offered several suggestions:

- Pattern the event after the Bike to Work Week breakfast stops
- Target NAU students
- Advertise in advance
- Use PSAs and paid advertisements
- Take out a day sponsorship with KNAU
- Offer sponsorships

A suggestion was made to hold the breakfast walk in Sunnyside.

Ride the Bus/Walk to Farmers Market

The group agreed it was a good event to keep.

An option was discussed to include a Wednesday evening walk/bus ride to the Sunnyside farmers market. A question was raised about how late into the fall the market stays open.

The group discussed the possibility of having a booth at one or both farmers market.

Fall Color Hike

The group agreed that a fall foliage hike should be included on Saturday.

Safe Routes to School/ Walkability Audit

Ms. Austin said she would contact Brian Fellows about having a Safe Routes workshop in Flagstaff during the week. There is interest in having a walkability audit as well.

Publicity and promotion

The PAC would like to be represented with a booth at other big events, like the Sustainability Fair and Earth Day.

III. NEW BUSINESS

1. 2010 Pedestrian Advisory Committee Goals and Priorities

The Committee requested the list from last year to aid in the discussion.

The PAC asked to stay involved in the Fourth Street project. Ms. Browning suggested implementation of simple, short-term projects, to make an immediate improvement to the corridor.

The Committee asked that the item be brought back to the next meeting.

2. FUTS Program Priorities

The PAC used a *Paired Comparison* technique to help determine priorities for the FUTS program from among several competing program elements. The results will be used to help establish future budget and work program priorities for FUTS.

PAC members and others present were asked compare each potential program element to each other, and select which is more important or higher priority. For six elements, there are a total of 15 comparisons. Program elements that receive the most "selections" are rated as highest priority.

The PAC ranked the potential program elements as follows:

<i>Program element</i>	<i>Score</i>
Complete missing segments of existing trails	37

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Complete the primary "backbone" trails	35
Address on-going maintenance/other issues	24
Rebuild older trails	13
Build new trails	9
Enhance existing trails	4

3. Route 66/Sitgreaves Sidewalk Stairs Modification

Mr. Ince presented a concept plan for a "bypass" sidewalk past the stairs along the west side of the slip ramp at Route 66, Santa Fe, and Sitgreaves.

4. FUTS Project Status Report

Mr. Ince provided the Committee with a copy of the latest FUTS Project Status Report.

IV. CONCLUDING GENERAL BUSINESS

1. Reports

There were no reports.

2. Announcements

Mr. Ince invited the PAC to an upcoming webinar on design treatments for mid-block crossings.

V. ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned at 6:01 pm.