



# MINUTES

## City of Flagstaff PEDESTRIAN ADVISORY COMMITTEE

4:30 pm Thursday, April 10, 2008

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

### **CALL TO ORDER**

The meeting was called to order at 4:35 pm. On roll call, the following Committee members were present:

Georgia Duncan, Chair  
Heather Taylor  
Kathie Oehme  
Jim Tuck

Members absent:

Sharon Grasso

Two vacancies

The following City staff was present:

Martin Ince, Multi-Modal Planner

Others present:

Jack Welch  
Kim Austin, Coconino County Safekids  
Joan Entz  
Darrell Boomgaarden  
Van Wells  
B. Wells

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

#### **1. Announcements**

Georgia Duncan had a copy of a letter to the editor of the Daily Sun that was critical of transit. She wondered whether it needed a response.

**2. Public Comment**

Jack Welch reported that someone had approached him about the need for a sidewalk along Aztec between Beal and Thorpe. The PAC asked to review the request in more depth at the next meeting, and indicated that a site plan of the area would be helpful.

Joan Entz said that bicyclists on Beaver Street are descending the hill very fast and not yielding to pedestrians in the crosswalk at St. Francis School. She wondered if the issue could be considered at the next meeting. It was suggested that the problem be reported at the public comment period of the City's Bicycle Advisory Committee meeting.

**3. Approval Of Minutes**

Jim Tuck made, and Heather Taylor seconded, a motion to approve the minutes of the regular meeting of March 13, 2008. The motion was approved unanimously.

**II. OLD BUSINESS**

**1. PAC Goals for 2008**

Heather Taylor indicated that double fines in school zones is already the law state-wide. She heard an idea to put stickers on signs in school zones to indicate double fines, and said she would try to find more information. Martin Ince offered to talk to Gerry Craig about the City's efforts to make sure all signs in school zones are correct.

The PAC indicated that it would like to have planning for Pedestrian Awareness Week on the agenda in July.

Kim Austin said she will be working on walking to school maps within a one-mile radius around schools. She said there would possibly be some Flagstaff-wide maps, which could be coordinated with the PAC's walking maps.

Ms. Taylor suggested that one "E" be tackled every month at the regular meeting. After some discussion, the Committee settled on this schedule:

May:	Enforcement
June:	Safe Routes/encouragement
July:	Pedestrian Awareness Week
August:	Pedestrian facilities inventory and prioritization
September:	Sidewalk maintenance/snow removal
October:	Crash statistics/education
November:	Sidewalks and FUTS
December:	Walking maps

A suggestion was made to identify and prioritize missing sidewalks and other physical improvements. Kathie Oehme suggested adding a goal under evaluation to "conduct an inventory of most-needed improvements for pedestrian safety."

## **2. Urban Trails and Bikeways Map**

The Committee reviewed the draft map, and offered the following suggestions:

- Landmarks and streets should be labeled to help users orient themselves.
- Grid lines could be used to help locate urban trails.
- The names of Forest Service trails should be added.
- It would be helpful to add a note indicating the map is intended to illustrate facilities in the city.
- Major streets are not clear.

Kathie Oehme offered to help with editing the text.

## **III. NEW BUSINESS**

### **1. Safe Routes to School**

Kim Austin, Coconino County's Safe Routes to School Coordinator, provided some background on the County's "Walk. Bike. Get Fit." Program, which is intended to encourage more students to walk or bike to school at five local elementary schools and is funded through a grant from the Arizona Department of Transportation's Safe Routes to School Program.

## **IV. CONCLUDING GENERAL BUSINESS**

### **1. Reports**

There was no discussion on the Reports.

### **2. Concluding Announcements**

There were no concluding announcements.

## **V. ADJOURNMENT**

The meeting was adjourned at 6:00 pm.