

DRAFT MINUTES

City of Flagstaff PEDESTRIAN ADVISORY COMMITTEE



Thursday, October 8, 2020 | 5:04 pm

Virtual meeting via Microsoft Teams

CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order at 5:05 pm. On roll call, the following Committee members were present:

Brandon Cruickshank, chair
Matt McGrath
Jodi Norris
Zach Schwartz

Members absent:

Jack Welch

Two vacancies

The following City and agency staff were present:

Ramon Alatorre, climate and energy coordinator
Martin Ince, multimodal planner

Public present:

None

I. PRELIMINARY GENERAL BUSINESS

1. Announcements

Mr. Cruickshank reported that the sidewalk project along Navajo was almost complete. He said it was a spectacular improvement.

2. Public Comment

There was no Public Comment.

3. Approval of Minutes

Minutes from the previous meeting were not available.

II. OLD BUSINESS

1. Active transportation master plan/FUTS master plan

Mr. Ince provided information on the draft plan, as well as the bikeways plan and public engagement plan. He said he would forward a link to the Council's agenda item for the Milton corridor study. The Committee discussed the role of the ATMP, ideas for giving people better transportation options, and implementation of the plan.

III. NEW BUSINESS

1. City of Flagstaff climate emergency declaration

Ramon Alatorre with the City's Sustainability Section presented information to the Committee on the climate emergency declaration, which was adopted by the City Council by resolution in June.

He provided a short history of the declaration, including public support for the action, and detailed eight major points in the declaration. He said that the City is working to revise the Climate Action and Adaptation Plan, including new goals to achieve the target of carbon neutrality by 2030. He described seven bundles of potential actions.

Mr. Alatorre said the City's Climate Action Committee has been reconvened and has been meeting to review new goals and strategies. He described the public engagement efforts, which includes a public survey. They are reporting to the Council on October 27, and have a goal of adoption of the new plan by February of next year.

Ms. Norris said that the declaration is incredibly valuable and its targets are ambitious. She mentioned three concerns, methods of food production, water use and subsidies, and public health access for women, and wondered why they are not addressed in the bundles of actions. Mr. Alatorre replied that the inventory is sector-based rather than consumption based, and some of these items were difficult or not possible to measure. He acknowledged the issues are important.

Mr. Cruickshank asked about the targets for electric vehicles and how they would be achieved. Mr. Alatorre said that the targets were being reviewed, but they are preliminary and ambitious. Whatever we are unable to meet must be made up in sequestration.

IV. CONCLUDING GENERAL BUSINESS

1. Reports

The Committee reviewed several items:

- PAC vacancies: there are currently two vacancies on the Committee.
- Gotcha bike share: the vendor has pulled out, and the City is reviewing its options for moving forward.
- Milton corridor master plan: public meetings are planned for later in the fall.
- Sheep Crossing FUTS: completion of the trail is anticipated for November.
- Mount Elden Dry Lakes planning: Mr. McGrath summarized the results of the public comment period for the Forest Service's planning effort.

2. Announcements

There were no Announcements.

V. ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned at 6:32 pm.