

DRAFT MINUTES

City of Flagstaff PEDESTRIAN ADVISORY COMMITTEE



Thursday, February 11, 2021 | 5:00 pm

Virtual meeting via Microsoft Teams

CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order at 5:06 pm. On roll call, the following Committee members were present:

Brandon Cruickshank, chair
Whitney Holeva-Eklund
Tahany Huerta
Matt McGrath
Jodi Norris
Ron Norton
Zach Schwartz

Members absent:

None

The following City and agency staff were present:

Jeff Bauman, transportation section manager
Martin Ince, multimodal planner
Jim McCarthy, City Council

Public present:

None

I. PRELIMINARY GENERAL BUSINESS

1. Announcements

Three newly-appointed members of the Committee introduced themselves. Existing committee members and staff introduced themselves as well.

Mr. Ince reported that Jack Welch has left the Committee. He said the Mr. Welch started the pedestrian committee several years before it become an official City committee. He

served on the committee for two different terms and has been consistently engaged even when he was not on officially a member. Jack has also served on the City's Transportation Commission and Sustainability Commission. Although he is no longer an official member he will continue to be involved once the committee resumes meeting in person. He will also remain an advocate for pedestrian issues.

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 a summary of proposed first priority projects for sidewalks, bikeways, FUTS trails, enhanced crossings, and grade-separated crossings. He asked the committee to review the list and provide their comments:

- Mr. Cruickshank said that there have been few negative comments about the sidewalks on Navajo since they were installed.
- There was a discussion about the benefits of adding sidewalks on collector streets leading into neighborhoods that do not have sidewalks.
- There was a consensus that more sidewalk projects should be included in the first priority category.
- When crossings are added more people will feel safe and be encouraged to cross at a particular location.
- Mr. McCarthy reported that he hears more concerns about crossing at the intersection of Fort Valley and Forest than any other location in town.
- Because a more comprehensive corridor project along West Route 66 may be years away, it may be beneficial to consider crossing enhancements in the interim.
- The new sidewalk along Navajo could reduce the short-term need of the planned Marshall FUTS Trail. It would still be a benefit to kids at nearby schools, as well as cyclists who would have been riding in the street.
- The committee generally likes the idea of single-track connectors.

- Providing wayfinding and directions along planned bikeways is important.
- Crossing along Lake Mary Road are valuable.

III. NEW BUSINESS

There was no New Business.

IV. CONCLUDING GENERAL BUSINESS

1. Reports

The Committee reviewed several items on the Reports:

- PAC vacancies: the committee is full as a result of the three new appointments.
- Fourth-Cedar-Lockett roundabout: options were presented to the Transportation Commission and will be presented to Council.
- Milton and US180 corridor master plans: process is now considering spot improvements.

2. Announcements

There were no Announcements.

V. ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned at 6:41 pm.