

SASY Committee Report Form

Date of meeting: January 15 and February 5, 2013

Name of Committee: Transportation

Chair : Donna Magdalena

Members:

Mike Barrett, Melanie Foxcroft, Brad Hinkfuss, Lance Green, Larry Jensen, Matt Miller, Anne Walker, Tim Wong

Purpose (goal) of Committee:

The mission of the SASY Transportation Committee is to promote a safe, sustainable, walkable & bikeable, multimodal neighborhood. The committee will work with residents of the SASY neighborhood, SASY businesses, city staff & elected representatives to identify, educate, develop policy and evaluate implementation & results regarding:

- Short & long-range transportation infrastructure needs
- Proposed and planned projects, impacts & issues
- Transportation-related values, priorities and needs of residents & businesses

The committee will serve as the initial consultation for transportation-related design, development, construction & repair in the neighborhood: infrastructure, pedestrian, bicycle, mass-transit, motor vehicle & snow removal. The committee will make recommendations to the SASY Council.

Committee charge approved March 8, 2012

Please refer to [council minutes](#) for additional comments requesting formulation and submission of goals by the TC to the council.

Action items:

- Lance will complete and format old notes from the January meeting.
- Tim is pursuing bike and ped user counts for some areas of neighborhood.
- Donna will email photo of Jan. meeting whiteboard illustration to committee members
- Donna will email Allissa Santuri's capstone paper and presentation to committee members.

Specific issue(s) to report:

Regular transportation committee meetings have been changed to the fourth Tuesday of each month, to allow us ample time to prepare our reports before full council meetings. Our next meeting will be March 26.

Recommendation(s):

Marsha Rummel has notified us of a Ped Bike Motor Vehicle Commission meeting to discuss TE's draft plan of Capital City Bike path improvements on Tuesday 2/27 5p Room 260 MMB 215 MLK Jr

Blvd. (It hasn't yet been confirmed whether the meeting is Tues 2/26 or Wed 2/27, since 2/27 isn't a Tuesday.) The Transportation Committee reviewed the entire draft and has made the following recommended changes to TE's draft:

Committee Review and Recommendations Related to the draft report by Traffic Engineering (TE) on Capital City Bike Path Improvements:

Donna reviewed public comments available on the internet regarding the TE draft report. Note that since pedestrians (including elders, people with disabilities, unaccompanied school-age children, parents with strollers and very young children, and adults) are heavy users of the path, discussion and recommendations are included regarding pedestrian users as well as bikes. Note also that committee members are committed to further safety improvements.

Detailed committee review and recommended changes regarding the TE draft, starting at Riverside and proceeding in an easterly direction from there:

a. Intersection of the bike-ped path at Winnebago and Riverside:

Recommendations:

- 1) Lengthen crossing times allowed by lights for peds and bikes crossing Winnebago (especially needed for elders, parents with strollers, etc)
- 2) Shorter wait times for green lights for bikes and peds waiting to cross

b. Intersection bike-ped path at Russell

Recommendation:

- 1) Warning signs on both sides for cars on Russell who are approaching the intersection to look both ways and yield to bikes and peds

c. Intersection bike-ped path at Eastwood for cars turning R on Division

Recommendation

- 1) "No Turn on Red" signage with red flags for the first few months to stop cars cutting across bike and ped users on path
- 2) Add red flags to the current "no turn on red" sign for cars approaching intersection from the south on Division

d. Intersection bike-ped path at Dunning and Atwood

Recommendations:

- 1) Curb cuts wrapping around the entire corners for safety and to avoid additional hazards for peds and bikes -- i.e. no curbs on corners between "pedestrian" and diagonal "bike" areas on corners.
- 2) Bike-ped crossing light should be auto-activated 24/7 OR second choice is for standard operation of red-green lights at crossing operational 6:00 am to 10:00 pm.
- 3) Bike-ped crossing times extended to 15-18 seconds to ensure safe crossings (particularly needed for those with disabilities and young children)

4) Bump-outs or street narrowing near intersection on Dunning NE and SW sides as safety feature and to possibly provide outdoor table space for Harmony.

e. Intersection bike-ped path at Saint Paul and Jackson

Recommendations:

Given that Saint Paul is a significant "cut through" for cars creating hazardous conditions for peds-bike users :

- 1) Straighten Saint Paul on SE corner of Jackson to eliminate a "flying right" construction
- 2) Stop sign with temporary red flags NE corner Saint Paul and Jackson
- 3) Consider a mid-Atwood street island at intersection with Jackson

f) Intersection bike-ped path at Ohio and Jackson

Recommendation:

- 1) Improved signage for cars approaching the bike-ped path

g. Intersection bike-ped path at Waubesa

Recommendations:

- 1) Two-way stop for cars on Waubesa
- 2) Overhead stop sign on Waubesa for cars approaching the bike -ped path in either direction
- 3) Early warning signage on S. side of Waubesa to warn cars of approaching stop sign, given the poor visibility
- 4) Table top the bike-ped path at Waubesa

h. Intersection bike-ped path at Fair Oaks

Recommendations:

- 1) Table-top bike-ped path
- 2) Stop signage for cars on Fair Oaks approaching bike-ped path from both directions
- 3) Bumpouts for cars on Fair Oaks approaching bike-ped path both sides.

Discussion items at board meeting:

Next meeting: Tuesday, March 26