

City of Columbia, Missouri

Meeting Minutes

Downtown Columbia Leadership Council

Tuesday, September 26, 2017
4:00 PM

Regular

Conference Room 1A
Columbia City Hall
701 E. Broadway

I. CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order at approximately 4:03 pm.

Present: 10 - Heiddi Davis, Susan Maze, Nick Peckham, Ben Wade, Mark Wahrenbrock, Sara

Loe, Fred Parry, John Clark, Scott Wilson and Vicky Owles

Excused: 3 - Randy Gray, Janet Hammen and Cliff Jarvis

Non-Voting: 2 - Stacey Button and Tim Teddy

II. INTRODUCTIONS

Guests in attendance introduced themselves.

III. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Mr. Wade made a motion to approve the September 26, 2017 DLC agenda. Mr. Peckham seconded the motion. The motion carried with all in favor.

IV. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Approval of draft minutes from August 22, 2017 DLC Meeting

Attachments: DRAFT DLC Minutes August 22, 2017

Mr. Wade made a motion to approve the August 22, 2017 DLC Minutes. Ms. Loe seconded the motion. The motion carried with Ms. Davis abstaining.

V. OLD BUSINESS

None.

VI. NEW BUSINESS

1) Business Loop Corridor Planning Committee Update

Attachments: Bus Loop Corridor Update Review

Mr. Wilson provided a brief update on the Business Loop Corridor Planning Committee indicating that Carrie Gartner will attend a future DLC meeting to give a more in depth update when they are further into the process. A consultant has been hired and will hold a public process. They are discussing ways to increase access to businesses given MoDOT requirements on medians at intersections to prevent turns too close to the

intersection for safety. They are also looking at branding and identity projects that can be done in the first few years. This may include public art, banners, signage, etc. The theme is likely to be "learn, fix, build". They are also looking into increasing green space, looking at ways to increase cycling and pedestrians, bike lane options, and options for public gathering space. Mr. Clark would like to discuss the major bikeway plans that are in place and felt this would be a great topic for a future meeting.

2) Capital Improvement Projects in the DLC area

Attachments: Excerpts from Draft FY18 CIP

Mr. Wilson stated that the excerpts provided are from the FY18 Draft CIP document and include projects for the next one to two years. The only one not on the list is the 9th and Elm pedestrian scramble, which will begin construction in the summer of 2018. Ms. Davis stated that the University is excited to see how it works and they hope to have it completed before the students come back in the fall of 2018. The University and City have worked together on the education for the HAWK signal and will do the same for this infrastructure piece. Ms. Loe added that she requested this discussion so that they could see what other projects might be coming down the line and where there may be opportunities to coordinate charrette related work on Cherry while doing these other projects. Ms. Loe felt that it might be worth looking at the 3-5 year CIP plan to see what else is coming down the pipeline further down than just 1-2 years. Ms. Cole will send a link to the full draft CIP document. The group briefly discussed brick streets and the current ordinance on preserving brick streets.

3) Future Meeting Dates

Mr. Wilson stated that there are several conflicts with the regular meeting date for October. The group agreed to reschedule their October meeting to October 17th at 4:00 in Conference Room 1A.

VII. GENERAL COMMENTS BY PUBLIC, MEMBERS AND STAFF

Mr. Wilson asked if there are future topics for the DLC. Mr. Wade felt that the DLC should continue to discuss the downtown delivery truck parking even if the Council doesn't take that issue up for review. Mr. Peckham suggested forming a committee to look into what other communities do on that issue. Mr. Clark stated that he attends Council Member Thomas's constituent meetings and he felt that the Council did hear their requests, but since it went to Council during the budget process, it may take some time to resurface for them. He suggested that after the new fiscal year begins, Mr. Wilson reach out to check on the status of those requests. If a task force is formed, part of the scope of their work may be to look into the delivery truck issue.

Mr. Parry felt there should be better communication between the City and businesses when streets are closed since closures can be detrimental to some businesses. The DLC could encourage the City to develop a policy on interruption to business services. Mr. Wilson stated that similar concerns came up during the Public Inconvenience Fee (PIF) discussions and this may be revisited when the DLC reviews the PIF.

Mr. Wahrenbrock stated that the Historic Preservation Commission received a grant this year to do a historical survey for North Central. This will be broken into thirds since this is a large area to survey. They plan to do the north section this year and will pursue an additional grant to continue the other portions. The portions that are not being surveyed this year, will be dependent upon receiving additional grant funding.

A guest in attendance asked for more info on the brick street issue. Mr. Wahrenbrock stated that as brick streets were being maintained, they were not being replaced. An ordinance was put in place to ensure the preservation of the historic bricks used in certain downtown streets or to daylight bricks when possible.

VIII. NEXT MEETING DATE

October 17, 2017.

IX. ADJOURNMENT

Ms. Loe made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Ms. Maze seconded the motion. The motion carried with all in favor. The meeting adjourned at approximately 5:12 pm.