

DRAFT MINUTES
City of Columbia Bicycle/Pedestrian Commission Meeting
October 16, 2024

Members Present: Elke Boyd, Sam Phillips, Frank Schmidt, Tommy Fieser, McKenzie Ortiz, Janet Godon, Carol Elliott, Bryan Mink.

Members Absent: Detlef Ritter, Brad Mitchell.

Also present: Mitch Skov, Tim Teddy, Krista Shouse-Jones.

- The meeting was called to order by Elke Boyd (Chair) at 7:00 PM.
- The agenda was approved on a motion by Carol Elliott and a Second by Frank Schmidt.
- Minutes of the September 2024 meeting was approved on motion by Sam Phillips and seconded by Frank Schmidt following a consensus to supplement those minutes with the CATSO report from Sept. 30, 2024. The Commission agreed that if the CATSO report could not practically be added to the September minutes, that it should be added to the October 16, 2024, meeting minutes.

Staff/Commission Reports:

- a. **Parks and Recreation:** Ms. Godon reported progress on the Perche Creek Trail, including 1.5 miles of paved trail from the MKT to the Gillespie Bridge. She added that planning funds are available for creating access from Gillespie Bridge to Scott Blvd. with conceptual plans for further extension from Scott Blvd to Louisville St.
- b. **Vision Zero:** Krista Shouse-Jones noted that the City's grant application with Safe Streets for All is progressing. YTD Vision Zero injury and fatality data are generally tracking with 2023 data.
- c. **Planning:** No report.
- d. **Public Works:** No report.
- e. **Commission IP Meetings:** Frank Schmidt attended an IP Meeting about East Walnut Street traffic calming.

Board Correspondence: See Old Business (below)

Old Business

US Highway 63 and I-70 Interchange: McKenzie Ortiz submitted a motion to authorize Chair Boyd to send a letter (draft supplied to the Commission in advance of this meeting) to City Officials. The letter encourages City officials to take steps to try to assure that future I-70 crossings be designed and built using Safe Streets for All principles. Frank Schmidt seconded the motion, which passed unanimously.

North Stadium Sidewalk Extension. Carol Elliott asked City staff to report on cost estimates for practical solutions for extending sidewalk from I-70 to Rose Drive.

CATSO Meeting Report: Elke Boyd, Carol Elliott, Frank Schmidt, & McKenzie Ortiz attended September 30, 2024 CATSO meeting. At the Commission's request, Mitch Skov agreed to ask CATSO to extend time for public comments.

New Business

McKenzie Ortiz presented a PowerPoint program explaining and comparing Rails-to-Trails with Rails-with-Trails. Ms. Ortiz and Janet Godon further explained "rail banking".

Public Comment: A citizen asked the Commission for advice on getting support for a sidewalk to provide for safer pedestrian use of Brown Station Road and the Rutledge Drive area. Members of the Commission offered suggestions.

ADJOURNMENT: The meeting was adjourned at 8:30 PM, on a motion by Carol Elliott.

*The next meeting of the Commission is scheduled for Wednesday, November 20, 2024.