

# BICYCLE AND PEDESTRIAN ADVISORY BOARD MINUTES THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 18, 2021 - 6:30 PM NOB HILL SOCCER CLUB PARK 10200 SUNSET STRIP, SUNRISE, FLORIDA 33322

A. CALL TO ORDER By: Chad Dashnaw, Board Chair

At 6:28 PM

B. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE AND MOMENT OF SILENCE

C. ROLL CALL By: Chad Dashnaw

## **Board Members present:**

Chad Dashnaw
Nina Kelly
James Thomas
Catherina Rozario
Marcus Griffin
Donald Barnett
Tomal Parker

# **Board Member(s) Absent:**

Jay Leiner George Mora Gerardo Rivas

## **City Staff Present**

Ravindra Ramgulam – Assistant City Engineer, Community Development

## **Public Observers**

## D. REVIEW AND APPROVAL OF MINUTES – October 14, 2021

Mr. Griffin motioned to approve the minutes. Seconded by Mr. Thomas. There was no further discussion. All were in favor.

## E. OPEN DISCUSSION

There were no members of the public or City present at this meeting who wished to speak during open discussion.

## F. OLD BUSINESS

The City informed the Board that the letter of support on behalf of the Board for the City's Complete Streets and other Localized Initiatives Program (CSLIP) Cycle 6 application to the Broward Metropolitan Planning Organization (MPO) was submitted. It was also noted that the City's CSLIP application was submitted as well.

The City then provided general updates on the construction status of active park projects throughout the City.

## G. NEW BUSINESS

The City informed the Board that Tamara Dawes has resigned from the Board, effective immediately.

There was discussion by the Board about the limited public outreach activities within the last two years due to COVID-19. It was stated by the Board that all members should review their expected responsibilities and to suggest additional ways in which the Board may perform public outreach and be more proactive in making recommendations to the City. The Board then inquired if they may prepare an informational flyer about the Board that can be distributed to residents and charitable/non-profit agencies within the City. The City noted they will follow up on the request. The Board Chair encouraged all members to look outside the City for ideas to promote bike ridership.

The Board then expressed their desire for the City to install more tracks to promote running. It was noted that construction of a track within the City may be a challenge since there is a large track available in nearby City of Lauderhill. The Board noted that the City's Civic Center does have an indoor walking track. The Board also used the Hiatus Road Greenway as an example and inquired into the possibility of the construction of a paved path on the east side of the canal along Hiatus Road to create a loop. The Board Chair clarified that the area in question is South Florida Water Management District right-of-way, which the City confirmed.

The Board then recommended that the City install artistic wayfinding signs within the City that can transform typical sidewalk into a walking facility and provide a brand for the City. The Board also noted that the City has seen a consistent increase in usage of bike lanes within the past decade. The Board referenced a Parks Passport program utilized by the City of Dublin, Ireland, which employs wayfinding signs to direct residents to the various parks within the City and allows the residents to document the parks they have visited. The Board suggested that the City create an app where residents can check-in to the parks they have visited from their mobile device and to also incorporate a scavenger hunt activity.

The Board inquired if the monthly meeting times and locations may be promoted on social media platforms. The City stated they would look into the request and follow up with the Board.

The Board then inquired about what happens to the City's contribution for funding allocated to CSLIP projects that are not selected for funding of construction. The City noted that projects are managed by a different division and will follow-up with the Board.

The Board then expressed their frustration with the timelines of implementing recommendations by the Board and construction of additional bike facilities within the City. The City noted that there is a Bicycle & Pedestrian Greenways & Trails Master Plan, and that the City's intent and goal is to provide connectivity to City facilities, as well as between residents and businesses. The City also explained that the process is not always controlled by the City, but may involve other outside regulatory agencies, and that timeliness is at the forefront for the City.

The Board then requested that City leadership attend a future BPAB meeting. The City stated they will follow-up on the request and noted it will be included in the meeting minutes.

The Board then inquired about projects planned by the City which will be funded by the transportation surtax and with expected funds from the federal infrastructure bill. The Board also asked about landscape improvements along the corridors in the City that will aide in beautification of the City. The City noted they will follow-up on both items. The Board then recognized the City's progress with the East Side Improvements plan.

The Board inquired on the status of the Amazon project. The City informed the Board that the project is still in the review process and that the City is awaiting the resubmittal.

The Board then inquired if members may attend the BPAB meetings virtually, along with if the meetings may be broadcasted. The City stated they would look into the request and follow-up with the Board.

## H. Board Forum

Having no more items to discuss, the Board confirmed the next meeting would be held on Thursday, December 9, 2021 at 6:30 PM.

## I. ADJOURNMENT

Mr. Griffin motioned to adjourn. Seconded by Mr. Parker All were in favor. The meeting adjourned at 7:22 PM.

Transcribed by:	
	Date:
Ravindra Ramgulam, Assistant City Engineer of CDD	

## **NOTE TO READER:**

- If these minutes do not bear the date of approval, this indicates that they are not the final approved minutes and will become the official minutes when approved by the Board.
- Approved at the Bicycle and Pedestrian Advisory Board meeting of
- If a person decides to appeal any decision made by the board, agency or commission with respect to any matter considered at such meeting or hearing, he will need a record

of the proceedings, and that, for such purpose, he may need to ensure that a verbatim record of the proceedings is made, which record includes the testimony and evidence upon which the appeal is to be based. F.S.S. 286.0105.

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