



**COMMUNITY SAFE ROUTES COMMITTEE**  
**Monday, December 18, 2023**  
**6:00PM**

Meeting will be held in-person.  
Council Chambers, City Hall  
75 N Bonson Street, Platteville, WI

- 1) Call to Order
- 2) Approval of Minutes:
  - a. November 20, 2023 regular meeting
- 3) Citizen Comments, Observations, & Petitions
- 4) Old Business
  - a. TAP Planning Grant with SW WI RPC:  
Review draft recommendations.
  - b. Bike Parking Inventory
  - c. Moundview Park Trail Connector
  - d. Safe Streets for All (SS4A) Federal Grant
- 5) New Business
  - a. Camp Street project 2025.
- 6) Adjourn



## Minutes

Prepared by Howard Crofoot, 12/11/2023

CSRC Attendees: Robin Fatzinger, Danica Larson, Paul Malischke, Eileen McCartney, Cindy Tang – by phone, Maureen Vorwald

CSRC Not Present: Jason Artz,

Staff Attendees: Howard Crofoot,

Public Attendees: Alyssa Schaeffer, – SW Wis RPC, Raza Zaidi - Student

1. Call to Order at 6:03 pm by Cindy Tang
2. Approval of Minutes: November 20, 2023 CSRC: Motion to approve, with correction to paragraph 4.c. by Robin, second by Danica. Motion passed unanimously.
3. Citizen Comments, Observations, & Petitions:
  - a. There was a comment about a person walking in the road in Knollwood Subdivision that fell. Howard to check with the PD to see if there was a report.
  - b. Howard asked about upcoming meetings. At the meeting there were no issues with people attending the December 18 meeting, but afterward, Paul expressed that he will not be attending. Paul and Eileen did not think they could attend a meeting on January 15 – possibly via Zoom.
4. Old Business:
  - a. TAP Planning Grant: Alyssa Schaeffer of SW Wis RPC updated the Committee on the steps so far and the upcoming public involvement meetings. She noted the Open House with the draft plan will be on December 14 from 4:00 – 6:30 PM in the Common Council Chambers at City Hall. She noted feedback from the 7<sup>th</sup> and 8<sup>th</sup> grade students: Not enough pedestrian crossings on Water Street between Main Street and Madison Street; concerns about the pedestrian/bicycle lanes on the Business 151 bridge between Culver's and NOVUS; concerns about the trail crossing of Highway 80 by Dunkin. The PCA mentioned the desire for a larger loop around the city.
  - b. Bike Parking Inventory: Alyssa updated the Committee that the GIS class presented the raw data that day and was not prepared to provide a report.
  - c. Moundview Park Trail Phase 1: No Action since last month.
  - d. TID 5 Sidewalk: The project is complete except for clean up and ensuring landscaping in the spring. The car wash parcel completed their portion of sidewalk also.



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**MEETING WAS HELD IN PERSON**

- e. Rectangular Rapid Flashing Beacon (RRFB) Maintenance: The City RRFB at the Chamber of Commerce on Bus 151 was corrected – as far as the flashing lights. Paul mentioned the illumination lights were not working.
  - f. E. Mineral St Sidewalk: No Action since the last meeting. There was a Motion by Robin and Second by Maureen to recommend that the Common Council approve budgeting at least \$12,000 toward safety and accessibility improvements to East Mineral Street in the vicinity of Jenor Towers. Motion passed unanimously.
  - g. 2024 – 2028 TAP Grant Applications: No action.
5. New Business: None
- a. Safe Streets for All (SS4A) Federal Grant: Howard discussed the process. The Federal Government is looking to begin soliciting for grants in February 2024. Step 1 is to do Planning and Demonstration grants. Planning grants would be to complete a comprehensive safety action plan. This plan would be an expansion of what SW Wis RPC is doing. It would include all modes of transportation (vehicles, pedestrians, bicycles, transit) with an emphasis on reducing fatalities and injuries. If there is a plan, then the grants would also fund small demonstration projects to show how small scale projects can influence behaviors to make streets safer. Step 2, in a future solicitation, would be to implement the projects identified in the safety action plan. Howard mentioned that the Federal Grants recognize “rural” communities up to 250,000 population and with a focus on safety/reducing crashes, it might be more difficult to get funding.
6. Adjourn at 7:07 pm, motion by Eileen second by Maureen. Motion passed unanimously.

Platteville Bike and Pedestrian Plan

Proposed Recommendations

December 14, 2023



Table 1: Commuter Recommendations (all City of Platteville responsibility)

Action	Timing
*C.1. Complete the sidewalk/trail along Business 151 to connect businesses on both the north and south side.	Medium term
*C.2. Add an RRFB at Lancaster Street and Camp Street intersection.	Short term
*C.3. Reconstruct Mineral Street between Water Street and Oak Street to include an ADA compliant mid-block crosswalk and reconstructed sidewalks on both the north and south side.	Short term
*C.4. Add a safe Water Street crossing at Lewis Street including high visibility crosswalk and RRFB.	Short term
*C.5. Complete the sidewalk on Hickory Street from Cedar Street to Camp Street	Medium term
*C.6. Extend the sidewalk along Southwest Road from UWP Lot 28, across Rountree Branch stream, to Southwest Lane	Medium term
C.7. Remove stairs from sidewalks – Mineral Street & Commerce Street, Alden Avenue & Campbell Avenue	Medium term
C.8. Fix broken/noncompliant ADA curb ramps or add new ramps along busy streets or near amenities.	On going
C.9. Fix broken ADA ramps in Pine Street pedestrian islands. Schedule regular clean-outs as rock and debris collects.	Medium term
C.10. Add sidewalk along Ridge Avenue	Medium term
C.11. Remove stamped crosswalks downtown as large cracks and holes create safety hazards. Consider a full depth crosswalk.	Short term
C.12. Explore options for connecting the new high school parking lot with the trail along Water Street	Medium term
C.13. Ensure that streets with bike lanes are following standards and assess case-by-case whether implementation should be even more conservative.	On going
C.14. Add sidewalks along Staley Avenue and Harrison Avenue to connect Harrison Park and the RRFB at Staley & Business 151 to the wider sidewalk/trail system.	Medium term
C.15. Discourage the use of bicycle on sidewalks downtown. Add signs prohibiting riding on sidewalks from Elm to Water and from Furnace to Pine.	Short term
C.16. Extend the downtown 15 mph zone past the library to improve safety, particularly with the new bus stop.	Short term
C.17. Add leading pedestrian intervals and walking countdowns at busy intersections with traffic signals. Consider making walk signs automatic at busy intersections (with the countdown).	Short term
C.18. Include additional signage at the crosswalks on Southwest Road near UWP Lot 28. Either “yield to pedestrians” or stop signs.	Short term
C.19. Add sidewalks/trails to fill in gaps and ensure connectivity throughout	On going

the city.	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>a. Chestnut between Harrison and Gridley</li> <li>b. All along Lutjen Pl. and May Street</li> <li>c. Dewey from Lancaster Street to Lewis Street</li> <li>d. Union Street east of Western Avenue</li> <li>e. Alden Avenue from Campbell to Water</li> <li>f. Madison Street from Court to Elm and from 7<sup>th</sup> to Hathaway</li> <li>g. Trail on Broadway from Madison to Mound View Trail crossing</li> <li>h. Trail on Water Street from Our House Senior Living to Golfview Drive</li> <li>i. Fairfield Drive</li> <li>j. Biarritz Blvd.</li> <li>k. Batchelor Street</li> <li>l. Lutheran Street from Boldt to Madison</li> </ul>	
C.20. Ensure that stoplights can be triggered by bicycles, particularly along bike routes.	Short term
C.21. Ensure that the length of walk signs is long enough for low mobility pedestrians.	Short term
C.22. Develop a schedule for crosswalk repainting to ensure that they are all repainted every two years. Epoxy should be reapplied every five years. <sup>1</sup>	Short term
C.23. Ensure that business signs, tables, and chairs along Main Street are complying with sidewalk ordinances to allow access to all residents.	On going
C.24. Establish bike parking at three key locations each year for the next ten years.	On going
C.25. Add a bike light requirement to the city ordinance for biking at dusk or later.	Medium term
C.26. Add a bike lane along Main Street from Moonlight Drive to Broadway Street (excluding downtown sharrow) and Mineral Street from Broadway to Business 151	Medium or long term
C.27. Add a sharrow on Camp Street and Western Avenue from Eastman Street to Main Street	Medium term
C.28. Include radar signs at Pine & Rountree heading east and near Furnace & 2 <sup>nd</sup> to encourage slower traffic speeds.	Medium term
C.29. Add crosswalks at major intersections. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>a. Chestnut Street and Southwest Road</li> <li>b. Pitt Street and 2<sup>nd</sup> Street</li> </ul>	On going
C.30. Add bike paths on UWP campus (separate from pedestrian paths).	Medium or long term (UWP)
C.31. Add curb extensions downtown to increase visibility of pedestrians. Add	Medium or

<sup>1</sup> U.S. Department of Transportation Federal Highway Administration. (2013). *Guide for maintaining pedestrian facilities for enhanced safety research report*. Retrieved from [https://safety.fhwa.dot.gov/ped\\_bike/tools\\_solve/fhwasa13037/research\\_report/chap2e.cfm](https://safety.fhwa.dot.gov/ped_bike/tools_solve/fhwasa13037/research_report/chap2e.cfm).

bollard for snow plow awareness. Utilize a demonstration project with temporary paint and cones to determine long-term viability.	long term
C.32. Investigate areas that need additional lighting. c. High school parking lot and Water Street	Medium term
C.33. Explore the addition of crossing guard(s) near the middle school.	Short term
C.34. Evaluate the city's fence ordinance to ensure visibility at street intersections.	Short term
C.35. Add benches, and possibly shelters, at busy bus stops. a. Oak and Main b. Walmart	Medium term
C.36. Fix sidewalks where water valves are not level with the surface.	On going
C.37. Enforce no parking over sidewalks, particularly downtown.	On going
C.38. Add sidewalks in the business park (Means Drive and Insight Drive) and connect the Fleet & Farm bus stop with the business park via sidewalk.	Medium or long term

\*top priority

Table 2: Recreation Recommendations

Action	Responsibility	Timing
*R.1. Create a safe trail crossing at Highway 80. a. Option 1: underpass or overpass b. Option 2: RRFB, high visibility crosswalk, and additional signage (prepare to stop when flashing) for north-bound traffic c. Option 3: Reroute trail to move pedestrian and bike crossing to Highway 80 & Business 151 intersection	City of Platteville in collaboration with WisDOT	Short term
*R.2. Expand trail system to create an inner and outer loop.	PCA (outer) and City of Platteville (inner)	Long term
R.3. Continue to secure WisDOT funding to pave all three phases of the Mound View trail.	City of Platteville	Medium term
R.4. Explore the options and cost associated with expanding the width of the trail at the Business 151 underpass.	PCA (solicit an engineering study)	Medium term
R.5. Add amenities along trails including additional restrooms, benches, and water fountains.	PCA and City of Platteville	Medium term
R.6. Pave the trail from the Skate Park to the Dog Park.	City of Platteville	Medium term
R.7. Improve signage on the Rountree Branch trail. a. Behind Super 8 b. Highway 80 crossing	PCA	Short term

<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>c. Business 151 east of Culvers</li> <li>d. To Mound View Park</li> <li>e. To shopping (Walmart, Menards, etc.)</li> <li>f. To Knollwood Way</li> </ul>		
R.8. Extend the multi-use trail on Water Street all the way to Business 151.	City of Platteville	Medium or long term

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Table 3: General Recommendations

<b>Action</b>	<b>Responsibility</b>	<b>Timing</b>
G.1. Integrate sidewalk and utility/road projects to increase efficiency and reduce costs.	City of Platteville	On going
G.2. Wide streets encourage speeding. In addition, allowing parking along all streets can be dangerous for cyclists. Platteville should aim to have more “complete streets” where each transportation mode has a safe space to operate.	City of Platteville	On going
G.3. The CSRC should meet annually with the Public Works Director and the Parks and Recreation Director to identify specific projects that should be in the budget either alongside or independent from road projects.	CSRC, Public Works, Parks and Rec	On going
G.4. The CSRC should partner with the Platteville Optimists or another organization to offer an ongoing bike light and bike helmet giveaway program. The Platteville Police Department could distribute the items.	CSRC, Platteville Optimists, Police Department	On going
G.5. The CSRC or another organization should work on initiatives to educate drivers about the rights of pedestrians and cyclists.	CSRC	On going
G.6. The CSRC should update their website every year to include details on initiatives; educational materials for pedestrians, cyclists, and drivers; or any other useful material.	CSRC	On going
G.7. The CSRC should collaborate with the Platteville Police Department to better understand where crashes are occurring each year and whether safety improvements can be made for cyclists and pedestrians.	CSRC, Police Department	On going
G.8. PCA should make updates to their trail map to include new trails and improve the map user’s experience.	PCA	Short term
G.9. PCA or another organization could pursue the “Bicycle Friendly City” designation.	PCA	On going