



Meeting Summary
Active Transportation Meeting Summary
Wednesday, December 9, 2020
Online via GoToMeeting

Meeting Duration: 1 hour and 30 minutes

Members in Attendance:

Alan Kailer, Bike Walk Wichita
Jack Brown, Regional Pathways
Chad Parasa, WAMPO
Michelle Styles, WAMPO
Kim Neufeld, Bike Walk Wichita
Jenny Kramer, KDOT

Jack Hezlep, Derby
Raven Alexander, Wichita Transit
R. Sroufe
Lynn Packer, Sedgwick County Public Works
James Wagner, City of Wichita

1. Mr. Kailer called the meeting to order at 9:30 AM. Mr. Kailer initiated agenda items and committee discussion.

2. Committee Discussion

1) Regional Plan

1. Chad Parasa presented a context for Active Transportation Plan, how this fits in within the frame work of Regional plan development. Chad shared various technical reports and appendices of the regional Metropolitan Transportation Plan (MTP) and their locations.

2) Example of an Active Transportation Plan

1. Chad Parasa shared an example from LVPC MPO on what components are needed to develop a regional Active Transportation Plan. He also shared the definition of Active Transportation. Vision, goals, policies development generally forms the initial phase of the plan development. Existing conditions review and inviting presentations from various local jurisdictions are part of Phase one, conceivably the work anticipated in the year 2021. Second phase of plan development includes identifying usage and demand of Active Transportation facilities. Identifying, where are the highly utilized pedestrian areas in the region, what are the top 10 pedestrian priority areas for the region. Identifying, where is the potential demand for bicycle and pedestrian usage, i.e., near schools, mixed development centers, and recreational facilities. Identifying, where are the missing linkages for bike, pedestrian and trail facilities within our region. Thus developing a visionary Active Transportation network for the future planning. The example document can be found here: Walk/Roll LV Active Transportation Plan - <https://lvpc.org/pdf/2019/WalkRoll/WalkRollLV%20Draft.pdf>

3) Committee Goals and Schedule

1. Alan Kailer presented the committees proposed goal and schedule. The goal of WAMPO's Active Transportation Committee is to produce a revised Regional Plan for Active Transportation, reflecting a consensus of the communities and including a collective vision as well as specific policies and actions for WAMPO and its constituent communities. The Regional Plan has not been revised since 2011. The committees hope is to have the new plan prepared over a course of 3 years.

(a) During 2021 the following will occur:

- (i) Committee will start off my looking at existing and previous plans/policies to form new objectives.
- (ii) Data Acquisition - WAMPO staff along with student/interns will work on collecting data/reviewing existing data

1. Committee members would like to see a heat map when reviewing data, to understand potential demand for the usage of Active Transportation facilities
 2. Are there other data programs or sources that can be used
 3. Mr. Sroufe mentioned that there were counts recently taken on the PST and AARTI Paths
- (iii) Look at existing facilities that is identified on a map (multiuse paths, bike lanes, bike boulevards, bikeable streets, sidewalks, etc.)
1. Mr. Wagner commented that destination biking (long open stretches) are more appealing vs. biking in Wichita streets.
- (iv) Identify missing links and needed facilities
1. Need public input on identifying missing links
 2. Mr. Brown noted that there are modeling tools available that helps identify where facilities are lacking

(b) During 2022 the following will occur:

- (i) Develop a vision for the future active transportation region
- (ii) Draft regional plan
- (iii) Map existing/new facilities
- (iv) Make recommendations on new policies and changes to existing facilities

(c) During 2023 the following will occur:

- (i) Revise Report/Plan
- (ii) Develop and document proposed policies proposed improvements

4) Next Steps

1. Prior to the next meeting, all members were asked to look at existing plans and policies that are in effect.
2. WAMPO will send all committee members links to plan/policy folders and documents
3. Mr. Parasa will look at the calendar and schedule next committee meeting

3. Meeting was adjourned at 11:00 AM

Next Meeting will be held Tuesday March 2, 2021 at 09:30 AM.