

APPROVED Meeting Minutes
Transportation Commission
Monday June 10, 2024 – 7:00 PM
Room 215 - Village Hall

1) Call to Order

Staff Liaison Jill Juliano called the meeting to order at 7:03 PM.

Roll Call

Present: Jenna Holzberg, Jack Eskin, Jason Jenkins, Jason Nudelman, Chair Rob Burke

Absent: Jenna Johnston-Ahlen

Staff: Staff Liaison Jill Juliano, Village Engineer Bill McKenna, Development Services Director Emily Egan, Parking Services Supervisor Delia Tamas, and Parking Restrictions Coordinator Takeshi Thompson

2) Agenda Approval

3) Approval of the Draft Transportation Commission Meeting Minutes

3.1) April 8, 2024, Draft Transportation Commission Meeting Minutes

Chair Burke made a motion to approve the draft April 8th, 2024, Transportation Commission meeting minutes which was seconded by Commissioner Jenna Holzberg. Motion was approved by a unanimous voice vote with no changes to the minutes.

4) Non-Agenda Public Comment – up to 15 minutes

Public Comment:

Tyree Beard commented on the parking on Jackson Blvd., and he would like to make sure the parking on the Jackson side will be staying the same and there will be no changes.

5) New Business

a) Review of 2024 Neighborhood Greenways Designs

Village Engineer Bill McKenna commented on the Greenway Design with notion of no conversation towards the parking on Jackson. The 2024 budget shows the middle section and local resurfacing projects with plan to work on four more areas in the future.

- Kenilworth-Randolph/South Blvd.

- Chicago
- Ontario/Forest

Village Engineer Bill McKenna is looking for input but no votes on these projects at this time. McKenna would like to suggest using a new paint for the pavement marking as it would be better for cyclists for an easier ride. McKenna suggested separating the streets from high to low impact streets.

Commissioner Eskin questioned whether the new projects will cause issues with the school's pick-up and drop-offs. He suggested our engineering department take this into consideration and meet with the school superintendents for changes.

Chair Burke suggested speaking with the schools over the summer so we have a plan before the school year starts, and to make sure there is no confusion and we have a plan and understanding.

McKenna does have a plan to speak with the school to have safety plans and coordinate what the schools would need:

- Randolph and South Blvd- Engineering would add speed way radar signs for south and northbound traffic.
- Pleasant/Kenilworth intersection- Future greenway project, get bikes across, while looking at appropriate signage in that area. They would send final plans to the commission and make sure we are all on the same page.
- Kenilworth and South Blvd- Will be installing a bike lane on the East/West side. Adding green dashes to the intersection.
- North Blvd and Kenilworth- Creating green striping to highlight the North/South crossing to improve safety in that area.
- Lake Street Intersection- Has a traffic signal and would add signage and green linings. Commissioners and Engineer McKenna would need to determine where we would be able to add signage in the neighborhood green way.
- Crossing on Ontario and Forest did not need- left as is, no need to add anything.
- Kenilworth and Chicago.
- Erie to Marion street- Pedestrian crossing and stripes will be put in, or maybe a curve bike lane instead of 90 degree.

Public comment:

Joe Ruesewald from the 1100 block of Grove Ave and Kenilworth had multiple questions for the commissioners and engineering projects. Some include matters that have been addressed already. He did have concerns about the crossing on Elizabeth Ct.

Village Engineer Bill McKenna addressed the crossing on Elizabeth Ct where they will be pulling back parking to allow for a crosswalk. "Look for bikes" signage would be added as well. Will be looking at further enhancements in the future.

Stephen Sressen from the 400 block of Harlem spoke about Elizabeth Court to Kenilworth and would like it to be centered, although he feels like it is an area where residents should not be riding through.

Commissioners passed a vote and Village Engineer Bill Mckenna reinstated to keep it as East Ave from Roosevelt to Fillmore, jog the boulevard system from Fillmore to Scoville, back to East Ave., and they will use boulevard marking to improve safety on East Ave.

Scoville will pick up Van Buren stripping and will change at the intersection into a natural curve. At Jackson, provide green dashing and bike crossing.

Scoville turns Adams and Madison- upped the stripping on Adams to make it Scoville safe.

Madison enhanced to widen crosswalk and modify the island and green stripping and add bike activated buttons.

Madison to Washington is a high conflict which would need Bike Rfb crossing and pedestrian crossing.

Public Comment:

Joe Ruesewald from the 1100 block of grove suggests we have less bike buttons and whether or not Scoville is the best street.

After review, Village Engineer reports he will come up with a plan and send out bids to get this project set up and get started.

6) Old Business

a) None

7) Adjourn

The meeting was adjourned at 10:03 PM

Submitted by,

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