

BPAC Agenda Topics and Project Updates

November 2nd, 2023 Meeting

Duluth-Superior Metropolitan Interstate Council

Meeting Summary

Note Taker(s)	Prescott Morrill, Carol Andrews	
Members Present		
	Maren Webb	MnDOT
	Judy Gibbs	Citizen Rep
	Andrea Crouse	Zeitgeist
	Denis Sauve	Business owner – Twin Ports Cyclery
	Mimi Stender	Duluth Aging Support
	Chris Carlson	City of Superior
	Sarah Husen	MnDOT
	Dena Ryan	WisDOT
	Cari Pedersen	City of Duluth
	Jason DiPiazza	Lake Co Engineering
	Skip Williams	Citizen Rep
	Ron Chica	MIC Exec



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1. COMMITTEE BUSINESS

- Approval of meeting notes from 8/2023
- New officer elections Andrea C (Chair), James G (Co-Chair)
- Confirmation of future meeting dates (Feb 1st, 2024)

New officer elections: Andrea Crouse and James Gittemeier were voted-in as Chair and Co-Chair, respectively.

2. TOPICS FOR DISCUSSION

- 6th Ave E., Duluth James
- Bike & Ped Counts 2023 update Prescott
- West Superior Street Project bike & ped elements update James

Alex Popp, Duluth Project Engineer, presented the restriping plan for the proposed road diet on 6th Ave E. The striping plan was complimented by the BPAC with few questions or clarifications. It is the sentiment of the BPAC that this is up to the standards and expectations of the BPAC

Prescott, MIC, reviewed fall bike count data collected in September, 2023 at the following locations: Raleigh St, Woodland Ave, 6th Ave E and 4th St to 9th St. It was a successful count, with good weather. Volunteers were organized by Zeitgeist and City staff. Data is kept and/or can be requested from either the City of Duluth or the MIC.

James had a short preliminary presentation about EV accommodation, bike/ped accommodation, with further details to-come.

3. SUBCOMMITTEE UPDATES

- Bikeway Plan Priorities
- Pedestrian Subcommittee gaps analysis

Prescott led a discussion regarding at preliminary look at gaps in the pedestrian network. This list will be refined and reflected in updates to the Pedestrian Plan. There was also some initial discussion about Bikeway Plan Priorities for the upcoming update to the Bikeway Plan.



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4. PROJECT UPDATES

- Sidewalk Snow Removal Task Force (SSRTF)
- Blatnik Bridge (Maren Webb)
- Others...

Mimi gave a short update about the SSRTF, including organization for public events in February, and next steps will be reported in the February meeting.

Blatnik Bridge was a short update by Maren. Also, there was discussion about a meeting between Pat Huston (MnDOT Large Project Director) and other project team members and bike/ped advocates. This meeting will take place before the next BPAC meeting.

5. ROUND TABLE

There was a no significant rountable discussion at this time.

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