

Bike & Pedestrian Advisory Committee Update



MIC & TAC Meetings
February 20 & 21, 2024

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Meeting Overview

Thurs, Feb 1st 2024 – MnDOT D1 Offices

- 12 Members – 12 Non-Members; trend of good attendance
- Ongoing BPAC Goals:
 - All-season Design for Bike/Ped Infrastructure
 - Addressing network gaps
 - Education and training opportunities

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Meeting Highlights

- Sidewalk Snow Removal Task Force (SRTF) Update
 - BeMinnSNOWta Nice campaign: pledge-to-shovel events Feb 6th & 7th
- Education and Training
 - Tanja Mattonen (SLC Asst Traffic Eng): presentation on Safe Systems Approach (SSA) and Proven Safety Countermeasures (FHA)
 - SSA recommended to be considered for incorporation in MIC's long-range plan and Bike/Ped plans

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Meeting Highlights (cont.)

- MIC Long Range Transportation Plan (Mike Wenholz)
 - Update on schedule/process for *Sustainable Choices 2050*
 - Selected priorities identified by BPAC:
 - Year-round infrastructure reliability
 - Protected bike facilities
 - Safer Crossings
 - Network gaps
 - Sidewalk repair
 - Establish a Transportation Commission in Duluth (work with We Walk in Duluth)

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Meeting Highlights (cont.)

- Project Updates:
 - Blatnik Bridge project update
 - Shared-Use Path is established as part of this project, discussion ongoing regarding configuration and design
 - 40th Ave W Corridor Project (Vic Lund, St. Louis Co.)
 - Project priorities include, but not limited to: access management, bike/ped accommodation, and intersection redesign/reconfiguration
 - London Rd Project (James Gittemeier, City of Duluth)
 - Ongoing discussion regarding bike/ped connections across/around the proposed roundabout at 26th Ave E – BPAC is looking for a better, more intuitive design for this connection

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Ongoing Business

Grant Funding Opportunities

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 - SLC is pursuing funding for Rice Lake Rd project
 - City of Duluth submitted Transportation Alternatives grant application for DTA sidewalk connection at various locations
 - Zeitgeist Arts has received some small grant amounts for 6th Ave E

Roundtable

- Central Entrance Project – public meetings upcoming, TBD

Comments/Questions



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