

STATE OF TEXAS
COUNTIES OF POTTER & RANDALL
CITY OF AMARILLO

MINUTES

On February 15, 2021, the Amarillo City Pedestrian and Bicycle Safety Advisory Committee met at 11:00 a.m. by Video Conference for a Special Meeting.

ATTENDANCE:

VOTING MEMBERS	PRESENT	NO. MEETINGS HELD SINCE APPOINTMENT	NO. MEETINGS ATTENDED
Joe Chris Rodriguez	No	33	21
Tim Ingalls	Yes	40	38
Ed Commons	No	34	33
Steve Rogers	Yes	30	24
Howard Smith	Yes	32	31
Angela Harney	Yes	19	18
Terri Guengerich	Yes	9	8
NON-VOTING MEMBER			
Michael Padilla	Yes	11	11

City of Amarillo staff members attending were:

Donny Hooper	Assistant Director of Public Works
Courtney White	Assistant City Attorney
Michelle Ramirez	Recording Secretary, Traffic Field Operations
Travis Muno	MPO Director, Urban Transportation Planning

REGULAR MEETING

Call to Order.

Committee Chairman Harney called the scheduled regular meeting of the Amarillo City Pedestrian and Bicycle Safety Advisory Committee to order at 11:04 a.m.

Item 1: Public Forum.

No Public Forum.

Item 2: Review of Minutes from Last Meeting.

Committee Chairman Harney asked if there were any changes to make for the approval of the January 14, 2021 minutes. Harney would like to make note of one change. The change was for Crossbar Ranch and to endorse that. It is the only BLM land in Texas that has some bike trails. She would like to incorporate that into the Hike & Bike Master Plan. Committee Member Rogers made a motion to approve the minutes with the change. Committee Member Smith seconded the motion, and motion carried 5:0.

ITEM 3: Election of Chair and Vice Chair

Committee Member Smith made the motion to elect Member Steve Rogers to serve as Chairman for the 2021 Calendar Year. Committee Member Guengerich seconded the motion and the motion carried 5:0. Chairman Harney made a motion to elect Ingalls to serve as Vice Chair. Rogers seconded the motion and the motion carried 5:0.

Donny Hooper wanted to take the time to thank Angela Harney for her time served on the Pedestrian & Bicycle Committee. She has made a big difference on this Board, the Parks Board and in this Community. Member Ingalls also thanked Harney for her ideas and policies that she brought to this Committee. Member Rogers went on say thank you to Harney for serving as well.

ITEM 4: Staff Updates

- A. MPO Multimodal Plan: Travis Muno, MPO Director, presented the Committee the Plan. The Plan started back in April of 2020. It will wrap up in May of 2021. The first public involvement on the Plan was in July 2020. They opened up their initial website for public comment. The two items consisted of an interactive map and written survey. Member Harney asked about the response from citizens. Member Ingalls asked about getting a better word out about the interactive map on this plan. He suggested reaching out to some of local bicycling groups. He will send contact information to Travis Muno.
- B. Sidewalk Development and Connectivity: Donny gave an example. Coulter St. between Hillside & 45th. Each Developer that comes in are required to develop the sidewalks to connect to adjacent properties. The property that the side walk is on is maintained by the new property owner. The same goes for residential. Committee Member is concerned about safety. One goal of hers would be to see Amarillo embrace walk ability in the Community.
- C. GIS map for the Hike & Bike Plan: Michael Padilla noted that the map is in place and ready to be finished. There are some links on the bike trails that do not have traffic counts. Once the weather warms up, the counts will be finished. Once the map is complete, you will be able to click on any link of a route or a bike lane in Amarillo to get the traffic counts and speed limit as well as some accident data.
- D. Parks and Recreation Hike and Bike Master Plan Update: Angela Harney updated the Committee about this. The list of recommendations was circulated to the Parks Board and to the Consultants. The Consultants are trying to take some of the recommendations from the Plan that pertain to Parks and incorporate it into the overall Master Plan.
- E. 9th Street Trails: Angela Harney briefly updated the Committee on this. There are some informal trails off of 9th St. that have been built by volunteers over the last 10-15 years. It is not technically an open space park or really designated as anything by the City. The Parks Board has been trying to get this as an officially designated as a more formal open space park with some signage and some parking. There has recently been a grant that has become available by the Texas Parks & Wildlife Commission.

ITEM 5: Road Diets and Intersections Design: Tim Ingalls would like a work shop to discuss a true Road Diet. Donny Hooper will get this on a future agenda item.

ITEM 6:

- A True Road Diet Work Shop
- Presentation on Suburban Sub-Divisions

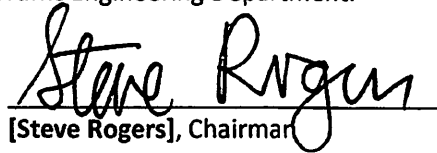
Members agreed to schedule the next meeting date on April 19, 2021.

Adjournment:

There being no further business, Committee Chairman Rogers adjourned the meeting at 11:54 a.m. This meeting was recorded and all comments are on file with the City Traffic Engineering Department.

ATTEST:

[Michelle Ramirez], Board Secretary


[Steve Rogers], Chairman