

STATE OF TEXAS
COUNTIES OF POTTER & RANDALL
CITY OF AMARILLO

MINUTES

On April 15, 2019, the Amarillo City Pedestrian and Bicycle Safety Advisory Committee met at 11:00 a.m. in the Simms Municipal Building, 808 S. Buchanan St., Room 203, for the Regular Meeting.

ATTENDANCE:

VOTING MEMBERS	PRESENT	NO. MEETINGS HELD SINCE APPOINTMENT	NO. MEETINGS ATTENDED
Joe Chris Rodriguez	No	24	12
Tim Ingalls	Yes	24	22
Ed Commons	Yes	23	22
Steve Rogers	No	21	15
Howard Smith	Yes	17	16
Angela Harney	Yes	4	3
Joe MacInnis	No	4	2
NON-VOTING MEMBER			
David Szmagalski (Ex Officio)	Yes	24	23

City of Amarillo staff members attending were:

Kyle Schniederjan	Director of Capital Projects & Development Engineering
Courtney White	Assistant City Attorney
Travis Muno	MPO Director
Cody Balzen	MPO Senior Planner
Judy Alexander	Recording Secretary, Traffic Engineering

REGULAR MEETING

ITEM 1: Call to Order.

Committee Chairman Ingalls called the scheduled regular meeting of the Amarillo City Pedestrian and Bicycle Safety Advisory Committee to order at 11:00 a.m.

ITEM 2: Review of Minutes from Last Meeting.

Committee Member Commons made a motion to approve the minutes of the March 18, 2019, meeting. Council Member Smith seconded the motion, and motion carried 4:0.

ITEM 3: Update on the Arterial Design Standards of the 2010 City of Amarillo Hike and Bike Trail Master Plan.

Kyle Schniederjan, Director of Capital Projects and Development Engineering, reported that the update to the 2010 City of Amarillo Hike and Bike Trail Master Plan had been recommended for approval by the Traffic Advisory Board and the Parks and Recreation Board as well as the Pedestrian and Bicycle Safety Advisory Committee. He stated the City Council had approved the update, which includes revisions to the standards for roads with speed limits 55 mph or higher, a recommendation for a full revision of the

2010 Hike and Bike Trail Master Plan, and a recommendation to the City of Amarillo and the Metropolitan Planning Organization that they pursue the development of a comprehensive Thoroughfare Plan.

Mr. Schniederjan reported that the revision of the Hike and Bike Master Plan is included the Parks Department Master Plan, which recently went out for RFQ's. He said that staff is currently evaluating the submittals, and the successful professional will be chosen based solely on qualifications. The scope of work will be considered after the selection of the professional. He stated the planning process for the 2019-2020 budget is underway, and the Planning Department and the Traffic Engineering Department may have capital funds to contribute to the revision of the plan.

ITEM 4: Receive Update on MPO Projects and Planning.

Travis Muno, MPO Director, passed out copies of the 2019 Amarillo MPO Priority Projects-Recommended List of Candidate Projects as of March 2019. He stated that the majority of the projects are on Interstate 40, Interstate 27, and State Loop 335. He reported State Loop 335 around the city is divided into four quadrants: (A) Southeast, (B) Southwest, (C) Northwest, and (D) Northeast, and the projects are labeled as such. He went over the list of projects and their estimated cost, some of which some are funded and presently under construction. Mr. Muno stated the list is a long range plan, and many of the projects are not funded at the present time.

Mr. Schniederjan stated that there is a public meeting scheduled on June 18 at the Church at Quail Creek for Project 2019 Priority No. 5, State Loop 335, Segment C-1, Phase 1, Upgrade to 4-Lane divided from SW 9th RM 1061, upgrade to freeway from RM 1061 to FM 1719.

ITEM 5: Receive Update on Capital Projects.

Mr. Schniederjan stated that the City is in the third year of the 2016-2021 Capital Improvement Plan. He reported that vertical construction projects for police and fire safety had been moved up in the plan because of rising inflation, and transportation projects had been moved back.

He said there are numerous projects planned in the next three years for seal coating city streets, which is the most cost effective method of road maintenance. He stated that pedestrian and bicycle facilities will be considered for all future major construction projects.

He stated that he had recommended SE 3rd Avenue from Polk St. to Grant St. not be considered for a road diet at the present time. He said that the east/west corridors, primarily 3rd Avenue and 10th Avenue provide an exit strategy for the Downtown area, and he thought it would be prudent to wait to see how the Downtown development interacted with traffic patterns before making any major changes.

ITEM 6: Future Agenda Items and Next Meeting Date.

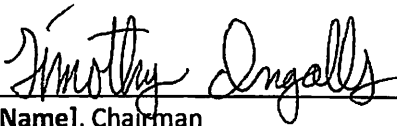
Members suggested agenda items for the meeting, which included an update on Downtown issues including parking implementation and future one-way road implementation, a safety update, update on the 9th St. Trails, and review of the City of Amarillo Hike and Bike Trail Master Plan.

ITEM 7: Public Forum.


There was no comment from the public.

ITEM 8: Adjournment.

There being no further business, Committee Chairman Ingalls adjourned the meeting at 12:29 p.m. This meeting was recorded and all comments are on file with the City Traffic Engineering Department.



[Name], Chairman

ATTEST: 

[Name], Board Secretary