



Iowa Bicycle and Pedestrian Advisory Committee
Tuesday, April 16, 2024
Hybrid Meeting
Meeting notes

Welcome and Introductions

John Peterson (Co-Chair) discussed the agenda and meeting logistics.
No new members introduced.

State Legislative Session Review

Luke Hoffman updated on bicycle related bills introduced into the 2024 Iowa Legislative Session, 90th Iowa General Assembly.

- Hands Free
 - Confrontation this year due to coupling and decoupling of the bill with traffic camera bans; most supported hands free but the traffic cameras added conflict.
 - Luke was on an Iowa PBS panel this Friday with state patrol, others to discuss hands free.
 - **Bicycle and Traffic Safety Issues | Iowa PBS**
- Crosswalk Protections for Pedestrians
 - **HF 2568** passed.
 - Pedestrian means any person afoot or a person using a pedestrian conveyance.
 - Planning to have a public ceremony for this one.
 - Mark Nahra – important to try to get consistent definitions nationally for pedestrian conveyances/passenger conveyances.
 - Sarah Watts – important to try to get consistent understanding of yielding to individuals (different in Iowa than other states)
- Standardizing penalties
 - Actions against bicyclists would be a standard penalty.
 - Consider moving up the list next year.
- State Recreational Trails Program
 - \$2.5 million budget
- Luke also shared two articles:
 1. Des Moines Register, **Bikes, wheelchairs get crosswalk rights.**
 2. The Gazette, **Iowa Bicycle Coalition looks to the future as it celebrates 20 years.**

Bicycle and Pedestrian Plan Implementation

Milly Ortiz shared the Complete Streets Policy, 2023 Fiscal Impact.

Years	Projects evaluated	Projects excepted	Projects not excepted	Projects with acceptable accom.	Projects without acceptable accom.	Projects scopes not changed	Projects scopes modified	Fiscal impact %
2020	57	23	34	15	19	18	1	0.02%
2021	40	20	20	5	15	12	3	0.95%
2022	41	18	23	11	12	10	2	3.64%
2023	32	14	18	8	10	10	0	0%
2024	10	4	6	3	3	2	1	1.4%

GIS Facilities Data Structure and Schema

Statewide Bike/Ped data structure update

- Outlines the standards and guidelines for reporting regional on-road and off-road bicycle facility data to the Iowa DOT
- Update on effort – working to finalize document and will request from planning agencies the next time we go out for additional trails information.

Transportation Alternatives Set-Aside (TA Set-Aside or TAP)

Susan Hollenkamp shared an Overview of the TAP program and the statewide awards.

- Iowa DOT News Release, [Iowa Transportation Commission approves Statewide Transportation Alternatives Set-aside program funding.](#)
- Iowa DOT Transportation Commission, [Presentation.](#)

Bicycle and Pedestrian Plan Update (Plan)

Milly Ortiz shared the Plan’s subcommittee work on Chapter 8 – Implementation Actions.

- Subcommittee to reevaluate strategies from last plan.
- Current Plan’s actions are short-term, mid-term, long-term.
- The Plan update’s actions would be completed/ongoing, short-term, long-term.
- No new actions were added to plan; all carry over.
- Other updates consist of formatting and terminology updates.

Sam Sturtz shared update on the Bicycle Compatibility Rating development.

Iowa Bicycle Summit

October 3, 2024

Holiday Inn in Council Bluffs

- Iowa Bicycle Summit
- IBC & Iowa DOT
- Safe Routes to School

October 4, 2024

Holiday Inn in Council Bluffs

- Iowa Trails Summit
- INFH, Golden Hill RC&D, others

Roundtable Announcements/Updates

No other updates shared.