

Proposed agenda:

Roll call

Completed roll call, Gayle Lewin absent today

Approve minutes

Set and approve agenda

Open Discussion:

-Report from the chair (Aaron)

-Discuss potential committee appointment process changes

-Discuss methods to add teeth to the C&GS Policy

-Other items as requested

Adjourn

Notes:

Chris noted that he received responses from city departments, planning and public works, now is currently "not a good time for them" to plan a visit to the committee meetings.

Howard wanted noted that our only current representation from the city is Gail, our city council representative.

Note from the chair:

Aaron is considering resigning from his position, notes how the avenue of this committee is very slow moving and working with city administration and departments has many problems currently. Discussion about this and the importance of our work even with long term difficulties.

Gail read except from the charge if the committee "for implementation of complete and green streets, promoting public knowledge and education of transportation and mobility, green streets, etc". What can we do to work until we build connection with the city departments and admin?

Aaron wonders what we can do to gain feedback from the public and promote conversation. Sam says we could start social media for public education aspect of our purpose. For polling the public, communicating ideas, etc.

Fern has background in social media management and could take on a limited amount of work for the committee social media.

"Working group" for social media work, Fern and Aaron? Fern will make a Google doc for these purposes.

Aaron went to the impact collective meeting at Noble library, could reach out to Future Heights about their crowdsourced conversations. Interested in the committee going out to public events too.

Aaron doesn't want to force the committee in different directions, but the group seems in consensus to work in this new education and outreach direction.

Howard mentions the NOACA event next Friday, April 4th.

Chris says this forced downtime is a great opportunity to address backlog of things to do. Complete and green streets could use a revise.

-has a lot of things that don't apply to current form of gov

-was originally written as a policy, law department says “resolutions do not affect a legally binding action on the city.” “The administration intends to continue not considering complete and green streets because it is non-binding.”

-Chris would like to explore working with law department to find mutually agreeable language to give it “Break out into an ordinance that is legally enforceable.”

Fern “if they aren’t forced to implement it they won’t.” Many will not implement accessibility features

Gail: “Would bill be willing to work with us to draft city legislation for review.”

Howard: “Should proposed ordinance come from council and not a committee?”

Gail: We work on the complete and green streets wording here in committee, and Gail can then take it through council to become an ordinance and work with the law department.

Chris also brings up the committee appointment powers. Gail: “this system is in place because of the current administration.”

Gail: “there has been difficulty getting administration to acknowledge that this committee should be present at the table”

Research on other cities’ complete and green streets policies.

Chris and Sam interested in working group to work on the rewrite of the complete and green streets. Could be a Google Doc shared, etc. Does a shared working document interact with open.

Can we get a folder on the city’s website for storing documents? Another committee has one. Aaron will reach out about setting that up.

Chris interested in making shared Google Doc for the editing of the complete and green streets doc. Using existing draft as baseline. Comments open to rest of the committee members.

Chris: Would it be inappropriate to reach out to Bill Hanna earlier for his opinion on wording we use? And on the change from resolution to ordinance. Gail says she will do this for us. Should include Gayle’s checklist into this effort as well. We can review it as a committee and add it to that Google Doc. Chris will check with Gayle before we put up for public editing. Chris says we could work on edits before next meeting and perhaps get final draft next meeting.

What do we want the goal to be for meeting with the department directors?

Gail: once we have a document edited to present, invite those department directors to meet with us for their input. .

Gail: this is a committee of council. Under current administration must email and CC the mayor. Best way to ensure the Mayor has been apprised of our request. If you don’t get a response within ten business days let Gail know and she will further follow up.

Gail: Craig cobbs admin services meeting soon to discuss getting us fully staffed. On the 30th of March.

Sam mentions the broken speed hump on Taylor. Also mentions the blocking of Cedar road due to the fire. What can be done to make that better?

Directors klingscale and zampf

Next meeting will be April 30th at 6:45pm