



Payne-Phalen

DISTRICT FIVE PLANNING COUNCIL

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Transportation Committee

Draft Minutes

Thursday, August 11, 2016 – 6:30 PM

Archangel Michael Hall, 962 Forest St, Saint Paul

Chair: Eric Saathoff

Minutes By: Stuart Knappmiller

Present: Eric Saathoff, Caitlin Schwartz, Bill Zajicek, Dennis Morrison, Stuart Knappmiller, Elizabeth Herr, Adrienne Johnson

Call to Order, Welcome and Introductions Eric Saathoff 6:33

Agenda Review Eric Saathoff

New Business

- Better Bus Stops Presentation - Caitlin Schwartz from Metro Transit: a \$3.2 million grant to add up to 150 bus stops, up to 75 improvements to existing shelters (light, heat and transit information). 63 and 64 are the first to have Transit Information signs added. One can help update Metro Transit's Shelter Placement Guidelines (which say a suburban location must have at least 25 passenger boardings per day while in Minneapolis and St Paul there must be 40) by taking a survey at www.metrotransit.org/community-engagement . To impact location and features of Better Bus Stops take a survey at www.metrotransit.org/bus-stop-survey

- Lafayette / Tedesco Pedestrian and Bicycle Plan: Concern that new construction at Payne/Tedesco will prohibit bike lanes on Tedesco. Eric will send a letter requesting review of the bumpout so a SB bike lane on Payne could turn west onto Tedesco.

Old Business

- Parking on Arcade between Case and Sims: Transportation Committee likes the plan for an altered center-line on Arcade and restored parking on the west side of Arcade between Case and Sims. Eric will deliver feedback to Public Works.

- Lower Payne Avenue Construction Projects: the Payne/7th intersection rebuild is delayed until 2017. As a result, the bike lanes north of that intersection will also be delayed. The street rebuilding at Tedesco/Payne will go forward and is likely to begin soon.

- Ivy Ave: Discussion of using the alley south of Johnson High School with Ivy Ave as an East-West connector (because Ivy has a traffic light to safely cross Arcade St). Johnson Senior High principal has responded positively to the proposal. Waiting to hear from SPPS Facilities and St. Paul Public Works.

- Rush Line: The routes out of downtown have preliminary ratings now. These don't include cost or ridership projections. The top two choices use Phalen Blvd through our neighborhood and would either enter downtown via Lafayette/7th or 12th/Cedar.