



Payne-Phalen

DISTRICT FIVE PLANNING COUNCIL

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Payne Phalen Transportation Committee
Draft Minutes
Thursday, November 10th, 2016 – 6:30 PM
Archangel Michael Hall – 962 Forest St N, Saint Paul
Chair: Eric Saathoff

Transportation Members Present:

Eric Saathoff, Chair	P	Patricia Enstad	P
Stuart Knappmiller	P	Andy Gable	P

P= Present, L= Late, A= Absent, E = Excused Absence,

Community Participants & Guests: None.

Discussion

- Chair Saathoff called the meeting to order and reviewed the agenda.
- Preparing for Maryland Avenue 4-3 test
 - Ramsey County wants to begin outreach to business and community in January or February
 - The Committee wants to ask for two intersections to have pedestrian refuges for helping cross the street. The intersections discussed were Duluth and either Greenbrier or Walsh.
 - The Committee also wants to have more specific information on how the experiment will be judged as a failure or success
 - At our next meeting we will brainstorm how we will get input from lower-income people who are likely to be pedestrians but unlikely to show up for a meeting to express support
- Bruce Vento Trail Bridge
 - St. Paul has applied for a federal grant to build a bridge between the Bruce Vento Nature Sanctuary and the Mississippi River. This would provide more direct access to the river for Payne-Phalen residents.
 - \$15 million project
 - Likely to get \$5 million from this grant proposal
- Safe Routes to School planning update

- Grant money provided to help start a program at Bruce Vento Elementary and Farnsworth Upper
- Stuart Knappmiller attended the first meeting where they examined the situation crossing Arcade and Maryland for students at Farnsworth
- Stuart will invite a representative from SRTS to a Transportation Committee meeting to see how we can be involved
- Stop For Me updates
 - The November 10th event at Greenbrier & Maryland was cancelled due to officer cancellations
 - Next year's program will focus on specific problem streets and concentrate events to have more impact.
 - Maryland and Arcade are likely to be two of those streets.
- Community bike ride to celebrate new bike infrastructure
 - New bike infrastructure on 35E Trail, Edgerton St, Payne Ave, Greenbrier, and Wheelock
 - Wheelock portion isn't finished yet
 - Getting too cold and dark early to have the celebration ride this year
 - Committee decided to delay this event until the spring
 - Committee should coordinate with a business like Flat Earth Brewery to be the ending point so people can share food and drink after the ride

Action Items:

- Eric Saathoff will draft a letter to Ramsey County officials to request metrics for the Maryland Ave 4-3 conversion as well as pedestrian refuges.
- Stuart Knappmiller will invite a SRTS representative to our next Transportation Committee meeting.

Other Business – Community Announcements

Adjournment