

Urban Trails Minutes

4/8/2020

Absent Committee Members: Devon Balet; Steve Meyer

Present: Orin Zyvan (Chair), Gary Stubler (Vice Chair), Andrew Gingerich, David Lehmann, Shana Wade, Kristin Heumann, Sarah Johnson, Trent Prall (Public Works Director), John Hodge

Call to Order

Orin Zyvan called the meeting to order and thanked the Committee for meeting virtually.

Minutes

UTC Chair Orin Zyvan announced that Michele Rohrbach will no longer be meeting with UTC or taking minutes. Committee members discussed this change.

Gary Stubler made a motion to approve Minutes.

Sarah Johnson seconded motion to approve minutes.

Orin Zyvan asked for further comment.

Unanimous vote of approval (6-0).

Announcements

Shana Wade gave Bike Month update. Library-sponsored prep fair, formerly scheduled for first weekend in May, was cancelled. Described other adjustments being made to bike month, and indicated that there were still some uncertainties.

Lance Gloss elaborated that Bike to Work Day/Bike to School day and Commuter Challenge to September.

David Lehmann noted that Bicycle Colorado was looking at pushing the state's Bike Month to September.

Orin Zyvan requested a change in order of action items, reversing order to address signage first.

Signage

Orin Zyvan described the planned location of the map, which would be Lunch Loops trail.

Lance invited John Hodge to speak on the matter due to his involvement with creating the map.

John Hodge (member of public) stated that he had made the map, that he and Kirstin Armbruster were seeking input, and that the version that had been circulated with the agenda was not quite the final version. Mr. Hodge proceeded to present about the trails and answer committee member questions.

Lance Gloss and Trent Prall requested that any updates or change requests go through Lance. Lance indicated that he would circulate the updated version via email following the meeting.

Priorities List Exercise

Orin Zyvan introduced the Priorities List Item.

Orin Zyvan proposed a discussion of list format, starting with the concept that the list be a three-tiered list, with 7 items tier 1, 7 items in tier 2, and 14 items in tier 3.

David Lehmann proposed that the list capture all items, without a cap to the number.

City Staff, Lance Gloss and Trent Prall, stated that they preferred a tiered list in line with previous list formats, but also noted that having a full list of all UTC priorities is helpful in other ways.

The Committee discussed varying formats and reasons for pursuing each.

Kristen Heumann proposed a tiered list with an auxiliary list for items that did not make the priority tiers.

The Committee continued discussion of the limitations of differing options for list format, and continued to ask questions of staff, who elaborated on the uses of the list and desired format.

Additional discussion ensued regarding future improvements to the ranking exercise.

David Lehmann proposed that an appendix to the list be used to track the funded and completed projects. The Committee discussed and generally voiced support for this.

David Lehmann also proposed that the list encompass all items suggested to be on the list, without tiers or a limit on numbers.

The Committee discussed this proposal.

Kristin Heumann made a motion that the list should be comprised of all suggested items except for funded and completed items, which should be appended to the list.

Andrew Gingerich seconded the motion that the list should be comprised of all suggested items except for funded and completed items, which should be appended to the list.

The motion was put to a vote was passed unanimously (6-0).

Direction was given for staff to draft a list taking the suggestions made at this meeting, including a ranked list without tiers encompassing all items added to the list, with an appendix to the list tracking funded completed priority projects.

Kristin Heumann requested that ties be presented as a tie in the draft supplied by staff.

The Committee continued to discuss ways of improving the process for creating the priorities list.

The meeting was closed by Chair Orin Zyvan ended at 7:00 pm.

Other Discussion

The Committee discussed the Community Streets event and the need to have this on an upcoming agenda; staff noted that the Parks and Recreation Department will likely be more closely involved in the event for 2020