# Urban Trails Committee – Minutes – April 9, 2025 – Regular Meeting

Attendees: Athena F., Steve M., Kristen B., Brooke C., Brent S., Julia W., Mike H., Diana R., Jason N.

Staff/Ex-Officio: Henry Brown, Carissa Finnerty, Trent Prall, Eric Mocko

Guests: Barb, Makenna

# Minutes

# Call to Order/Announcements:

Athena called the meeting to order at 5:36 PM.

# **Meeting Minutes**

# 1. March Minutes

Diana moves to approve March minutes. Brooke seconds, unanimous approval.

#### **Action Items**

#### 1. Infrastructure Priority Ranking

Henry shared the growing pains. Kristen moved to push the voting to next month, giving those who did not have the chance to vote another shot. Diana seconded, unanimous approval.

Brent recommended re-including the description of each category, which Henry will do.

Kristen and Steve shared how much better this system was, notwithstanding the technical difficulties.

Henry shared the 24 ½ Rd idea that was proposed, Trent shared that this is funded for 2026. Brent and Diana proposed that it should be kept off the list since it is funded and since the committee has already started voting.

# **Discussion Items**

#### 1. Annual Roadmap

Diana recommended that staff present recommendations to the committee. Mike recommended categorizing projects by what would "trigger" versus aspirations. Trent suggested that there may have been tiering at some point in history.

# 2. Walk Audit

Carissa shared a summary of the Walk Audit report and requested feedback on the document. Henry will send a follow-up email.

# Updates

# 1. Bike Month & Pedestrian/Bicycle Counts

Henry will share the online store for purchase of a Bike Month t-shirt. Deadline is Sunday.

Diana shared that the link is live for volunteer sign-ups. Henry will share the link and the flyer. The volunteer appreciation pizza party will be on the Thursday of counts (5/8). Diana also shared that the counts will have a digital option. The city is in talks with a company that manufactures automated count equipment, which likely may not be available by May.

Carissa shared 5/2 Monument Trail 4PM chain breaking. 5/6 United Way Bike Repair Clinic, which is seeking additional volunteer mechanics. 5/10 is Kite Day for bike education at Sherwood Park and Train Day at the Union Depot. 5/16 is BTWD with free breakfast. 4/26 is Arbor Fest and Cycle Safety Summit at MC Fairgrounds. Events should be posted by EOW on MCPH website.

# 2. Engineering Update

Horizon/G Rd roundabout construction has started. Four Canyons Pkwy will start construction is summer. Crosby Ave construction is planned for later this year into 2026.  $4^{th}/5^{th}$  has a new treatment at Gunnison with roll-over

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curb elements which are very reflective at night, lowering the verticality. The rest of the planned reconfiguration from protected to buffered bike lanes is still planned for May. Impact Fees were adopted unanimously by City Council. 7<sup>th</sup> Street Study is continuing with a plan to update UTC in May/June. Broadway Bridge reconstruction is under design, with some new obligations from CDOT. C340/23 Road working on roundabout development with Redlands 360 development. C ½ Road gap on RFT work with gravel pit on trail easements. Plan is to go after a GOCO grant in November for construction in 2026.

# 3. Grants update

BBU – Athena & Henry collaborated on an application but were not selected.

America Walks – Carissa will join Walking College starting in early May.

SS4A – The City is considering a large application to USDOT, based on the Safety Action Plan.

EV Carshare – The City is preparing an application to the State to pilot a carshare program.

RMS – The City was awarded \$250,000 to support the Broadway bridge/C340 trail widening project.

# **Public Comment**

Barbara, incoming UTC member (in June), gave an introduction.

Makenna from CMU's Mass Communications Department is looking to publish a story for GJBlockParty.net and asked a few clarifying questions

# Adjournment

Diana moves to adjourn at 6:58 PM.