

Bicycle, Pedestrian and Greenway Advisory Committee (BPGAC)

Tuesday, April 9, 2024 – 6 PM
GF City Hall, 255 North 4th Street

Meeting Notes

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Nicole Benson, Blue Zones
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I. Resident comments

- A. Standing water on shared-use path after rainfall: There are several areas along the shared-use path where water pools. The trail users mark the areas after the next rain so staff can try some solutions for draining the water. Some known locations are:
 - i. Boat ramp downtown
 - ii. Triangle area on GF side of south pedestrian bridge
 - iii. Behind the sledding hill
- B. Parking on shared-use paths and sidewalks continues to be a problem throughout the community. Can a card be designed with a polite message to place on the windshield to remind people not to block the shared-use path or sidewalk? There is probably a better way to handle this issue, like public service announcements.
- C. GF Park District 2024 Summer Guide: The bikeway map in the program is titled “Parks and Trails”, but it only shows the shared-use path along the Greenway and not the entire bikeway system. Kim will contact the park district to report the error.
- D. Missing sidewalks at 1930 47th Avenue South: Kim will look into this item.

II. Bikeway items

- A. Wayfinding sign system: The group reviewed and provided input on the draft online questionnaire. The questionnaire will be distributed through the Greenway email notifications and social media contacts.

III. Greenway Items

- A. Downtown project: Staff from the city and Houston Engineering are going to Omaha, NE, later this week to tour several parks and meet with the RDG Planning and Design team. They will also be visiting with the staff at the Gene Leahy Mall in downtown Omaha and Public Works in Council Bluffs. Both cities have flood protection systems and are looking at ways to capitalize on the recreational uses of the land along the river. Omaha just built a \$350 million park downtown, and Council Bluffs is looking to add a

\$50 million climbing and observation tower, along with recreational facilities to its floodplain.

IV. Other

- A. Safe Streets for All: A consultant has been selected for the project. The process will take two years and there will be ten opportunities for public input.

Next Meeting date: Tuesday, May 14, 2024, 6 PM at GF City Hall, 255 North 4th Street, room A102

Next Greenway Technical Committee meeting: 10 AM Tuesday, May 21, 2024, Icon Sport Center, 1060 47th Ave South, Blue Line Club meeting room.

Supporting documents: None

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