

POLICY COORDINATING COMMITTEE

MINUTES –MAY 16, 2017

APPROVED BY A MOTION JUNE 20, 2017

Members Present: (Chairman), Commissioner John Ostlund, Board of County Commissioners; Councilman Larry Brewster, Billings City Council, Ward 2; Gary Neville, MDT District Office; Planning Board President Darell Tunnicliff, Yellowstone County Planning Board, Ward IV.

Staff Present: Scott Walker, Transportation Planner, Planning & Community Services Department; Wyeth Friday, Director, Planning & Community Services Dept.; Lora Mattox, Transportation Planner; Tammy Deines, Planning Clerk; Mike Black, Yellowstone County Public Works Dept.; Vern Heisler, City of Billings, Public Works Dept.

Conference Call Participants: Katie Potts, MDT Planning

Others Present: Evelyn Pyburn, Yellowstone County News

1. Call to Order: Commissioner Ostlund called the meeting to order at 12:00 p.m., Board of County Commissioners Board Room, Yellowstone County Courthouse and welcomed everyone in attendance.

2. Communication from the Audience: There was none.

3. Minutes of April 25, 2017-The minutes of April 25, 2017 were approved with a unanimous voice vote.

4. Old Business:

4a . Motion/Recommendation. 2016 Billings Bikeway and Trails Master Plan Update. Scott Walker, Transportation Coordinator, presenting.

Scott Walker gave a brief introduction and followed with a brief PowerPoint presentation. This endeavor started April 25, 2017 and provided through consultants Alta Planning and Design and Peaks to Plains Design to complete an update to the Billings Area Bikeway and Trails Master Plan. Through monthly meetings with an established steering committee, focus group meetings, public meetings and an online survey and mapping project, a comprehensive bike and trails master plan was completed. Scott Walker thanked and commended the consultants for their work on this plan. The purpose of this project is to update the goals and objectives; consider existing conditions and identify needs; and move towards implementation. He pointed out the 5-page Executive Summary which includes a quick glance at the short-term project list. He reviewed the acknowledgment list and stated there were several great partnerships for this plan; and he thanked them for their involvement.

A hard copy of the plan can be requested from the Planning Division. Electronic copies of the document are located at the following link:

<http://ci.billings.mt.us/DocumentCenter/View/34091>

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Commissioner Ostlund called for a motion and recommendation for this agenda item.

Motion

Councilman Brewster made a motion and it was seconded by Planning Board President Tunncliff to approve the 2016 Billings Bikeway and Trails Master Plan Update as presented by staff. The motion carried with a unanimous voice vote.

5. **New Business:** There is no New Business.
6. **Other Business:** There is no Other Business

Future Agenda Items June 20, 2017, 2017:

→Discussion Pedestrian Walkway on the North East Bypass project.

Adjournment: 12:12 p.m.

Approved by a motion on June 20, 2017

