

AGENDA

GOAL 3 ALLIANCE



Board Members:

Kristen Bennett • Jim Botts • Trey Conner • Meegan Joyce • Ryan Kilpatrick •
SuLin Kotowicz • Mark Miller • Nikos Monoyios • Jonathan Oeverman • Haley Patrone •
Kara Peltier • Andrew Queenan • Dave Riley • Daniela Rojas • Breese Stam •

January 22, 2018

3:30p – 5:00p

29 Pearl Street, NW Suite #1

1. Call to Order
2. Election of Chair
3. Approval of Minutes- October 23, 2017
4. Piloted Protected Bike Lane on Division Ave.
5. Streetspace Guidelines
6. Bike Share Feasibility Study Conclusions
7. Alliance Member Discussion
8. Next Meeting – April 23, 2018
9. Public Comment
10. Adjournment





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Goal 3 Alliance

October 23, 2017

1. Call to order: Tim Kelly called the meeting to order at 3:34pm
2. Members Present: Kristen Bennet, Trey Conner, Meegan Joyce, Ryan Kilpatrick, Andrew Queenan, Mark Miller, Nikos Monoyios, Breese Stam

Members Absent: Trevor Bosworth, Jim Botts, Jonathan Oeverman, Haley Patrone, Kara Peltier, Dave Riley, Daniela Rojas

Others Present: Tim Kelly, Murphy Ackerman, Stephanie Wong, Kristin Bennett

3. Introductions
The Alliance members and DGRI staff introduced themselves to the group.
4. FY 18 Project Overview
Mr. Kelly gave an overview of the projects that the Goal 3 Alliance will be focusing on in the FY18 fiscal year. Mr. Kelly also explained the budget process for the organization and explained that the Alliance will have the opportunity to help shape budget priorities in the winter months before a final budget is brought to the various boards for approvals. Mr. Kelly said there will likely be additional meetings between January and April to ensure that the Alliance has ample time to review their budget priorities for the upcoming fiscal year.
5. Bike Share Feasibility Study Presentation and Discussion
Mr. Kelly said that DGRI is partnering with the City's Mobil GR department on a bike share feasibility study. Mr. Kelly said while Mobile GR is the lead on the project, DGRI has members on the steering committee and will be contributing financially should the project move forward. Ms. Bennett gave an overview of the bikeshare feasibility study process and where the project currently is. Ms. Bennett said staff is highly focused on the public

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engagement portion of the project and working to ensure that the community is informed and involved in the process. Mr. Stam asked if there are studies regarding the economic impact on cities that have implemented similar system. Ms. Bennett said yes, and staff is referring to many cities that have comparable climates. Mr. Kilpatrick asked if it has been defined where the actual locations will be. Ms. Bennett said when the equipment is chosen, that will help to drive the location stop. Mr. Kilpatrick asked if the hubs would be centered around existing transit stops. Ms. Bennett said those would be locations in addition to a few others. Ms. Bennett said should the study move forward to a planning phase, there would be extensive planning and conversation with stakeholders to discover what the best locations for stops are. Mr. Stam asked if there would be a phase approach to implementation. Ms. Bennett said yes due to the time that it will take to gain capital support for the system. Ms. Joyce asked what the most positive feedback about a potential system is. Ms. Bennett said 90% of the feedback has been positive regarding the system, but most concerns surround safety. Ms. Bennett said a good way to combat those fears is around education around how to ride properly, use bike lanes, and interact with drivers. Mr. Stam asked if the system will operate during the winter months. Ms. Bennett said yes. Mr. Kelly asked if there is data surrounding usership in cities with similar winter climates. Ms. Bennett said she would provide the information to the group. Mr. Kelly thanked Ms. Bennett for her presentation and said the group will continue to be updated as the process moves forward.

6. Streetscape Design Guidelines

Mr. Kelly said there are existing streetscape guidelines that were completed in 2006 and need to be updated. Ms. Wong thanked the group for helping with the review of proposals for the streetscape guideline contract. Ms. Wong reminded the alliance that this group will work as the steering committee during the streetscape design guideline process and will meet outside of the quarterly meetings to ensure that the process is moving along.

7. Bicycle and Pedestrian Safety Enhancement Design

Mr. Kelly said this group in the coming year will be looking at various intersections to help improve bicycle and pedestrian safety.

8. Alliance Member Discussion

Ms. Joyce asked if there are any discussions surrounding requirements for covered walkways during construction instead of completely closing sidewalks. Ms. Bennett said this is an item that will be brought before City Commission at their next meeting.

9. Next Meeting- January 22, 2018

10. Public Comment:

None

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11. Adjournment:

Tim Kelly adjourned the meeting at 4:54pm

Minutes taken by:

Murphy Ackerman

Office Manager

Downtown Grand Rapids Inc.