

City Commission Sidewalk Summit January 4, 2023 – 4:00 PM Zoom Online Meeting; <u>https://us06web.zoom.us/j/84909415786</u> City County Building, 316 N. Park Ave., Room 326

Time & Place

A City Commission Administrative meeting was held Thursday, January 4, 2024 at 4:00 p.m. via Zoom Online Meeting ID: <u>https://us06web.zoom.us/j/84909415786</u> and physically in the City County Building, Room 326.

Call to Work Session, Introductions

(00:00:02) The following responded present, either via zoom or in person:

City Manager Burton Commissioner Dean Commissioner Shirtliff Commissioner Logan Commissioner Reed Mayor Collins

Commission Comments, Questions

(00:01:25) There were no comments or questions from the Commission.

Report of the City Manager

(00:01:29) City Manager Burton had nothing to report.

Department Reports

A. Discussion of Inventory, Funding, City Code and Enforcement

- (00:01:35) Transportation Systems Director Knoepke and Deputy Director Couey presented Item A.
- (00:06:26) Mayor Collins asked about the cost for compliance metrics.
- (00:06:40) Commissioner Reed asked about how the absence of sidewalks translates to the cost for compliance metrics.
- (00:07:58) Commissioner Dean asked about the definition of an "asset."
- (00:09:25) Commissioner Reed asked about ADA compliance in relation to property lines versus whole-block compliance.



- (00:13:15) Commissioner Dean asked if the missing sidewalk map includes undeveloped streets.
- (00:14:06) Commissioner Reed discussed a recent variance request on Raleigh Street as an example for the missing sidewalk map.
- (00:14:18) Commissioner Dean discussed using the tool for SID areas in the future.
- (00:16:55) Commissioner Dean asked about keeping track of variance conditions.
- (00:21:00) Commissioner Shirtliff asked about prioritization of compliance issues.
- (00:25:01) Commissioner Reed asked about targeting areas for budget priorities, using an elementary school as an example.
- (00:30:13) Commissioner Dean asked about ADA compliance, connectivity, and traffic trends related to the Safe Routes to Schools initiative.
- (00:41:00) Manager Burton discussed future considerations for use of the tool in budget planning.
- (00:41:52) Commissioner Reed asked about the breakdown of total compliance cost per household.
- (00:42:18) Commissioner Dean asked about the sidewalk loan program waiting list related to the map and consideration of an SID or phased approach for compliance.
- (00:46:23) Commissioner Logan asked about how the cost information is kept up to date.
- (00:48:32) Manager Burton discussed coordinating efforts among relevant department divisions to update compliance information.
- (00:55:47) Commissioner Reed asked about the annual cost with additions.
- (00:56:04) Commissioner Dean discussed pursuing additional grant funding and proposed allocating General Fund Savings dollars.
- (00:58:17) Commissioner Reed discussed prioritizing funding for Safe Route to School areas strategically.
- (00:59:28) Commissioner Dean discussed the Sidewalk Loan Program returns over time.
- (01:00:46) Manager Burton discussed grant funding options and resources.
- (01:01:18) Commissioner Logan expressed support for funding Safe Routes to Schools.



- (01:02:18) Commissioner Shirtliff asked how Sidewalk Loan Program funding waitlist will be prioritized.
- (01:04:55) Mayor Collins asked Deputy Director Couey and Manager Burton about an appeal process.
- (01:09:21) Commissioner Dean and Manager Burton discussed a grant recently awarded for a similar project in Billings, MT.
- (01:10:35) Mayor Collins asked about citizens updating or installing sidewalks without City involvement.
- (01:14:22) Commissioner Logan asked if the software tools are available to the public.
- (01:15:12) Commissioner Reed asked about viewing major corridor connections across town.
- (01:16:10) Greg Wirth provided public comment, discussing Non-Motorized Travel Advisory Council Walk Audit findings and Safe Routes to Schools.
- (01:19:29) Lucas Wallace provided public comment, discussing Non-Motorized Travel Advisory Council Walk Audit findings and Safe Routes to Schools.
- (01:23:30) Mara Silvers provided public comment, discussing community groups that rely on sidewalk infrastructure and advocating for Safe Routes to Schools.
- (01:25:20) Logan Smith provided public comment, discussing prioritization of funding and socio-economic/demographic factors to be considered.

Public Comment

(01:27:14) There were no further comments or questions from the Commission and/or public.

Adjournment

(01:27:22) There being no further business before the Commission, the meeting adjourned at 5:28pm.