

Complete Streets Advisory Council  
October 1, 2024  
10:00am – 12:00pm  
VIA Zoom and In-Person 102B DOTDHO

**Council Members Present**

Alan Krouse  
Ruijie (Rebecca) Bain\*  
Tara Tolford\*  
Jamie Gaines\*

Laurence Lambert\*  
Chris FaKouri  
Kaysie Salvatore  
Jessica Stroope

Cheri Soileau  
Louis Haywood\*  
Lynn Maloney – Mújica

**Others Present**

Joy Sims  
Jessica DeVille

Carrie Wiebelt  
Ana Gouge

Tamaya Huff\*  
Laura Phillips\*

\*attended via ZOOM

**Call to Order**

Alan Krouse called the meeting to order, and it was determined that a quorum was present.

**Approve Previous Minutes**

Alan entertained a motion to approve the minutes. It was so moved by Jamie and seconded by Jessica. The minutes were approved.

**General Discussion**

***Bike-Ped Mater Plan 2024 Updates***

Assessment for pedestrian facilities – Will be updated every four years.

The update will look back at the previous four years in order to come up with ways to implement complete streets infrastructure for the next four years.

3 components to implementation:

1. Sponsorships
2. Funding
3. Connectivity

Plan will be posted as a GIS map. The focus is on local streets. The plan is not fixed yet and will be continuously updated.

These implementations will work in the following categories:

1. *Low volume/slow speed* facility's – safe and comfortable to ride a bicycle on the street in the traffic lanes with vehicles
2. *On road bike facilities/ Off Road Trails*. Require right of way for bikers.
3. *Vision Project (Comprehensive Projects)*  
Example: LSU Lakes- includes widening of I-10, drenching of lakes, bicycle pedestrian facilities, boardwalks, etc...

Funding for projects is a challenge, but the IJA grant money should provide more funds.

As stated previously, connectivity of the network is a major component of the plan. An critical area of focus should be over bus stops. CATS is looking to consolidate many of its stops, but connectivity of the stops with the ped/bike network is still an issue. CATS is also updating its stops to be ADA compliant.

**Other Business:**

- *Bayou Bike & Hike Southwest Louisiana Trail Network Discussion*

Indented to eventually be a complete streets plan

- Survey for public comment. Posted on GIS
- Covers 5 parishes of Southwest Louisiana
- Feedback needed if anyone would like to propose a bike or pedestrian trail within region. Visit [mpo.planswla.com](http://mpo.planswla.com).
- *Bayou Greenbelt Discussion*
  - This is a new Canoe and kayak trail that has a GIS map.
- New Orleans NORPC is doing a Safe Streets and Roads for All (SS4A) plan for Tangipahoa, St. Tammany, and Saint John Parishes. There is a separate New Orleans SS4A Planning grant.
- SS4A discussion
  - Could invite entities to come talk about these SS4A
  - Could possibly have a ½ day workshop to collect information and discuss challenges
- *Steering Group Update:*

The group will figure out individual goals and create measureable that will be used. The group will seek feedback from CSAC through this process.

- **Order Of Business:**

The CSAC By-Laws state “Any Council Member not in attendance at the majority of the regular Council meetings may be subject to replacement upon the Council’s recommendation. Remote participation is permitted for attendance with advance notice to the chairperson. The Committee may vote to replace or remove a member for lack of attendance at any time.” Lynn Maloney – Mújica moved to remove Kathy Stites as a member on the CSAC. It was seconded by Jamie Gaines. There was no opposition. The position on the council is now vacant.

**Future Meetings:**

- Thursday, December 12, 2024 – 10:00am to 12:00pm

**Adjourned**

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned by Alan.