

**CITY OF EAU CLAIRE
WATERWAYS AND PARKS COMMISSION**

September 26, 2018

Members Present: Joshua Miller, Meredith Ball, Susan McLeod, Kate Beaton, John Bodkin, Kirk Dahl, Megan Kremer, Terry Weld

Members Absent: Tom Fiedler, Ron Doering, Jenni Sterling

Staff Present: Jeff Pippenger, Pat Ivory

The meeting was chaired by Joshua Miller at the City's Central Maintenance Facility Conference Room and called to order at 7:00 p.m.

Minutes: The minutes of the August 22, 2018 meeting were approved as written.

Business Agenda.

A. Recommendation on Acceptance and Dedication of Land along Schwenk Street as right-of-way. Kristine Basom, from the City Finance Department was present at the meeting to present a request from the Wisconsin DOT to deed back land along the north side of the North Crossing to the west of Welsh Court. The land would become right-of-way. The parcel abuts the Chippewa River.

ACTION TAKEN: Terry Weld moved to recommend approval. Kirk Dahl seconded the motion. All votes were in favor. Motion carried

B. Presentation on Update of the City's Bicycle and Pedestrian Plan. Pat Ivory provided an overview of the update of the City's Bicycle and Pedestrian Plan. The City Engineering Department and City Department of Community Development have been working on the update plan, which is an element of the City's Comprehensive Plan. The current plan was adopted in 2010. The objective of the plan is to serve as a guide for the City and set forth policies to work towards providing improved pedestrian and bicycle connectivity from our neighborhoods to major destination points within the City including the City's schools and parks and open space facilities.

Pat noted that staff utilized the City's Bicycle and Pedestrian Advisory Committee as the primary group in the review and development of the plan. In addition, several open houses were held to obtain public input on the plan as well as posting the draft plan on the City's website. Pat added that he had worked with staff from the Parks Division to identify pedestrian and bicycle deficiencies related to the City's parks.

Pat then reviewed sections of the plan and answered Commission questions. Questions about crosswalks to the south of the Senior Center and signal timing along Madison Street were also

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discussed. The plan will be presented to the Plan Commission and City Council this fall. The Commission thanked Pat for his presentation.

Other Items.

-The Commission reviewed the special events listing and Director's Report.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:15 p.m.

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Submitted by,
Susan McLeod, Secretary