



# CANNERY DISTRICT, EC

## Health Impact Assessment

### Cannery HIA Neighborhood Advisory Committee Meeting Minutes

L.E. Phillips Senior Center, 1616 Bellinger St  
Wednesday November 30<sup>th</sup>, 2016 4:30-6:00 pm

Present: David Solberg, Mark Mernitz, Barb Gosch, Todd Johnson, Josh Clements, Pat Perkins, Audrey Boerner, Nick Zupan

#### Agenda:

**1. Welcome**

**2. Discussion:**

**a. Update on Cannery Park, Trails (Dave Solberg, City Engineer)**

Dave Solberg presented an update on progress for the Cannery Park and trail along the Chippewa River. The city anticipates that the upper, paved bike/pedestrian trail will be completed by 2017. He also presented a several potential options for improving traffic flow in, around, and out of the Cannery District. Currently, the city is collecting data on vehicle movements in and around the Cannery District to create a traffic model. This model will inform the planning process and final design for Cannery streets. Some of the topics discussed included:

- Planning and design for *future* users, expecting the city's population to grow in the future, and that development in the Cannery will bring in additional visitors
- Planning and design for *current* users; people that live, work, or go to school in the neighborhood
- The committees preferences on the use of one-way streets vs. two-way streets; roundabouts vs. traffic lights; pedestrian crossings above street vs. underpasses; capacity for cars vs. pedestrian access to streets; on-street bike accommodations vs. bike paths; development adjacent to Cannery Park vs. Oxford extending to be adjacent to the park (e.g. Riverfront Terrace-type of development)

**b. Discuss health & safety data, potential traffic plans**

Audrey shared data that has been collected by the HIA team. This included a map of motor vehicle accidents (data provided by the Eau Claire PD) indicating the intersections that have had



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the most accidents in the past 5 years. Audrey also shared a packet outlining preliminary findings by the HIA team. The findings included data background demographic data for the neighborhood, comments from residents and people that work in the West Riverside Neighborhood relating to optimizing social cohesion and safety in parks and results from other research highlighting safety in parks. Additional information related to access, safety, and social cohesion in walkable neighborhoods was also included.

### **3. Wrap up & next steps**

The group will reconvene in February 2017.

**Next Meeting: Wednesday, February 1<sup>st</sup>, 4:30 – 6:00 pm**

**Location: TBD**