



WALKABILITY WORKSHOP Notes

Walkability/Bikeability around Ridge Road Elementary

Partner with RRE

Possible walking area behind RRE

Jenna will compile final report, but stakeholders need to make the ask for specific improvements

Principal How of RRE is interested in using school as a focus area

John Gregan has expressed interest in being involved

Robert Fureigh is interested, but is unavailable after 7

Bernadette Rhodes expressed interest in being involved

Mason Ellis of BACA interested in being involved

6/20/17

First planning meeting held at U.S. Pizza

Planning Committee

Well attended – see sign in sheet

Doodle poll – Kyndle Steinmetz, Charita Futrell, Vanessa Smith, Rita Friend, Steven Tiner, John Gregan, Jane Nilz, Margaret Waters, Kathleen Lambert

Background

47th hill is crazy big

Not a lot of RRE walkers up that hill

Most kids are walking from across the street in apartments and from Park Hill

Kids messing with cars at the Senior Center

PHBMA is doing a fall event, but don't know what yet

We need to consider how outcomes from this event might potentially disagree with our Jump Start application and plan

Event Specifics

Can use RRE in evenings or on weekend

If in downtown area – maybe walk/ride different paths for the Pike/Levy Trail connection, possibly under the bridge and across the RR tracks by The Forge

Encourage people to walk to the event and then ask for feedback on their experience

Get crutches, walkers, wheelchairs, strollers, etc for people to use on walk routes

Consider doing intersection installations such as bump outs, etc like they did at Patio PH

Discussed working on walkability in downtown Levy instead of RRE and focus on getting people down into that area

Want to involve business owners and others

Decided that for this event the focus will be on downtown Levy and taking what is coming in terms of the project area (street trees, wide sidewalks, etc) and using the event to determine how to connect that to the surrounding neighborhoods

Vanessa has money in her budget for walk audits and we have use of their staff for this event

Action Items

Need to get traffic counts – there is longitudinal data available from the annual bike/ped counts – this would give us a baseline of who is using infrastructure and when

Need to ask parents why kids are biking and walking to school

Need to work with engineering about the intersections of interest

Create a map of safe routes to school for parent and students to use

Need to get bus route maps

Need to get apartment/residential buildings map

Engage business owners

Next meeting TBD using Doodle Poll - <https://doodle.com/poll/4bczqtbi44y63x3>

7/7/17

Location: La Casa Real

Attendees: Jenna Rhodes, Vanessa Smith, Daniel Krause, Steve Smith, Evelyn Smith

Event Specifics

Levy Baptist Church for location

Vanessa is able to do a segment on accessibility

Use NextDoor to gather feedback to help focus event

First half of November – consider rain date

Action Items

Talk to Steven Tiner about using church

Need to decide/work on:

Pick routes

Promote event

Potluck
PowerPoint
Develop agenda
Yellow vests
Clipboards
Volunteers
Police officers
Pictures ahead of time
Can we get drone footage of the area to show at event

Next meeting at US Pizza in Levy on 7/19 at 7ish

7/19/17

Location: US Pizza in Levy

Attendees: Jenna Rhodes, Bernadette Rhodes, Robert Fureigh

Notes

Informal Levy boundary – Ridge Road, Division (extended), I 40 and Pike, Donovan Briley Blvd

Pagis.org – property owner look up website

Event Specifics

Event task for attendees – Imagine you are a City Planner. Determine how people from area x/y/z in Levy will access the new downtown Levy. Consider existing sidewalks and other transportation assets, such as the Levy Trail. Also, what recommendations do you have for adding assets to these areas, such as which blocks would most benefit from a sidewalk?

Use cheap umbrella strollers with watermelons in it for each group to push on their walk

Use walkers, strollers, crutches, wheelchair and find space close to church to do an activity with group

Action Items

Create maps for attendees with Levy boundary marked, with Jump Start project area marked

Determine map boundaries and ask John Hale in Planning to create multiple copies of sidewalk maps for use in event, including right of way widths (is that a possible GIS layer?)

Get yellow vests and clipboards from Fit2Live

Ask Chris Wilbourn where specifically in Levy there are drainage issues within the event area

Ask Debi Ross and Beth White where specifically in Levy there are drainage issues within the event area – each Ward has drainage money correct?

Ask Aldermen to ask Chief Davis to see if/how NLRPD can be involved as escorts or extra patrol in areas

Look at sunset times for early November

Send dates to Steven Tiner to see if church is available 11/1, 11/2, 11/6, 11/7, 11/8, 11/9, 11/13, 11/14, 11/15, 11/16

Thursdays don't work for Bernadette

Talk to Vanessa about setting up GoPro video shoot with wheelchair user in event area

Buy/borrow cheap umbrella strollers and watermelons to use on walk routes

Find walkers, strollers, crutches, wheelchairs to use in accessibility exercise at event