#### Greenway Technical Committee (GTC) Tuesday, November 18 2014 – 10:30AM GF Park District, 1210 7<sup>th</sup> Avenue South, Grand Forks, ND

### **Meeting Notes**

Steve Mullaly, chairperson Bill Palmmiscno, GF Park District David Kuharenko, City of GF Engineering Laura Munski, Dakota Science Center Catherine Johnson, RRSRA Dave Aker, EGF Parks & Rec Kim Greendahl, City of GF

#### I. Old Business

#### A. Special project request updates

i. Boathouse & river access: The container for storing with the paddleboards, canoes, and kayaks has been removed from downtown and placed in storage. Work has not been completed on the office portion of the structure.

Kim is working with local fire, police, sheriff, and Altru to establish a river authority group. This group would work to establish river access guidelines, an integrated special events permit, and develop a system for consistent communication regarding special events on the river.

#### II. New Business

- A. Change in meeting location: The current site will no longer be available after December 1. We will be meeting in room A102 of GF City Hall, 255 North 4<sup>th</sup> Street, beginning with the December staff meeting.
- **B.** Winter planning: Both GF & EGF have tried putting in some of the skating rinks but the weather has not been favorable.

#### III. Greenway & Trail Users Advisory Group update

- A. Bicycle Friendly Community award: The cities of Grand Forks & East Grand Forks have been awarded the bronze level by the American League of Bicyclists.
- **B.** Committee structure: The discussion tonight will be about how the group would like to structure the meetings. GF City Council considers the group to be a subcommittee of the Greenway Technical Committee so we will have to look at how that fits with the larger trail system and routing ideas.

#### IV. Agency Updates

- **A. City of EGF:** The campground are restrooms along the Greenway are closed for the season.
- **B. GF Park District:** New cross-country ski sets and snowshoes have been purchased for use at Lincoln Drive Park.
- C. City of GF:
- D. Minnesota DNR: No report

#### V. Next meeting date: 10:30AM, Tuesday, January 13 at GF City Hall, 255 North 4<sup>th</sup> Street.

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Supporting documents: Bicycle Friendly Community Report Card 2014



# GREATER GRAND FORKS, ND & MN

TOTAL POPULATION

POPULATION DENSITY

2,055.0

Greater Grand

Forks

# OF LOCAL BICYCLE FRIENDLY BUSINESSES

TOTAL AREA (sq. miles)

Average Silver

19.9

62.004

## 10 BUILDING BLOCKS OF A BICYCLE FRIENDLY COMMUNITY

|                                                                | Average Suver | 1.01.K2   |
|----------------------------------------------------------------|---------------|-----------|
| Arterial Streets<br>with Bike Lanes                            | 45%           | 9%        |
| Total Bicycle Network Mileage<br>to Total Road Network Mileage | 30%           | 16%       |
| Public Education Outreach                                      | GOOD          | EXCELLENT |
| % of Schools Offering<br>Bicycling Education                   | 43%           | 37%       |
| Bike Month and<br>Bike to Work Events                          | GOOD          | SOME      |
| Active Bicycle Advocacy Group                                  | YES           | YES       |
| Active Bicycle Advisory Committee                              | YES           | VERY      |
| Bicycle-Friendly Laws & Ordinances                             | SOME          | VERY GOOD |
| Bike Plan is Current and is Being<br>Implemented               | YES           | YES       |
| Bike Program Staff to Population                               | PER 70K       | 28547     |

# OF LOCAL BICYCLE FRIENDLY UNIVERSITIES

## **CATEGORY SCORES**

| ENGINEERING<br>Bicycle network and connectivity                       | 3/10 |
|-----------------------------------------------------------------------|------|
| EDUCATION<br>Motorist awareness and bicycling skills                  | 3/10 |
| ENCOURAGEMENT<br>Mainstreaming bicycling culture                      | 2/10 |
| ENFORCEMENT<br>Promoting safety and protecting bicyclists' rights     | 4/10 |
| <b>EVALUATION &amp; PLANNING</b><br>Setting targets and having a plan | 4/10 |

| KEY OUTCOMES                                                         | Average Silver | Greater |
|----------------------------------------------------------------------|----------------|---------|
| <b>RIDERSHIP</b><br>Percentage of daily bicyclists                   | 3.5%           | 1.15%   |
| SAFETY MEASURES<br>CRASHES<br>Crashes per 10k daily bicyclists       | 180            | 81.3    |
| SAFETY MEASURES<br>FATALITIES<br>Fatalities per 10k daily bicyclists | 1.4            | 0.0     |



» Adopt a Complete Streets policy and offer implementation guidance.

Adopt standards for bike parking that conform to APBP guidelines.

- Increase the amount of high quality bicycle parking throughout the community.
- >> Install a bicycle wayfinding system with distance and destination information.
- » Continue to expand the on street bike network and to increase network connectivity.
- » Expand the Safe Routes to School program.

- >> Offer bicycling skills training opportunities for adults frequently.
- » Celebrate Bike to Work Day.
- » Encourage local businesses to promote cycling to their employees and customers. Encourage the University of North Dakota to promote cycling to students, staff, and faculty.
- » Ask police officers to target both motorist and cyclist infractions to ensure that laws are being followed by all road users. Ensure that bicycle/motor vehicle crashes are investigated thoroughly and that citations are given fairly.

