

**Pedestrian Advisory Committee Meeting  
Summary Meeting Notes**

**October 15, 2008**

3:00 pm to 4:30 pm

Room 319, City Hall

**Agenda**

This meeting is a continuation of the 10/1/08 meeting.

**Operating and Maintaining the Pedestrian System**

Review of current practices, challenges with current practices, opportunities for improvements:

- 5. Construction and Temporary Closures

**Funding and Implementing Pedestrian Improvements**

Review of current funding and implementation approaches, challenges with current practices, opportunities for improvements.

**Attendees**

<b>PAC Member</b>	<b>Attendees</b>	<b>Representing</b>	<b>Present</b>
X	Jim Adams	Senior Citizens Advisory Committee	
X	James Andrew	Metropolitan Council	X
X	Patty Bowler	Minneapolis Department of Health	
X	Theresa Cain	Metro Transit	
X	Aaron Day	City of Lakes Chamber	
X	Anna Flintoft	Minneapolis Public Works, PAC Chair	X
X	Anna Gillette	7 <sup>th</sup> Ward Citizen – North Loop	
X	Loretta Grewe	Advisory Committee on People with Disabilities	
X	Stephanie Gruver	4 <sup>th</sup> Ward Citizen	
X	Diane Hansen	12 <sup>th</sup> Ward Citizen	X
X	Sarah Harris	Walking Minneapolis Foundation	
X	Elizabeth Haugen	Minneapolis Communications Department	X
X	Steven Hay	Minneapolis CPED	
X	Robin Hennessy	City of Minneapolis Attorney's Office	
X	Mary Jackson	Minnesota Department of Transportation	X
X	Karen Nikolai	Hennepin County	
X	Jennifer Ringold	Minneapolis Park & Recreation Board	
X	Mike Rumppe	Minneapolis Fire Department	X
X	Jan Sandberg	7 <sup>th</sup> Ward Citizen – Loring Park	
X	Steve Sanders	University of Minnesota	
X	David Smith	Minneapolis Public Schools	X
X	Mackenzie Turner	Bicycle Advisory Committee	

X	Kathy Waite	Minneapolis Police Department	
X	Mary Watson	6 <sup>th</sup> Ward Citizen	X
	Martha Hage	Advisory Committee on People with Disabilities	
	Kristen Klingler	Minneapolis Department of Health	X
	Tony Hull	Transit for Livable Communities	X

## **Summary of Items Discussed**

### **1. Construction and Temporary Closures**

Committee discussion included:

- What is the enforcement mechanism to ensure that contractors are following the city's ordinance? How are fees collected, and what can the city do when a construction project has been abandoned and sidewalk closure left?
- Pedestrian access in work zones needs to be in the construction plans, and allocated as a cost item by contractors.
- Roadway detour signs should not be placed on the sidewalk when the road is closed, but the sidewalk remains open.
- Need to encourage people to use 311 to report issues with pedestrian safety and access in work zones.
- This is a multi-jurisdictional issue, and Minneapolis may need to coordinate with Mn/DOT and Hennepin County.

### **2. Funding and Implementing Pedestrian Improvements**

- How can the PAC work with 311 to track pedestrian complaints and solutions more carefully?
- There may be a need to look at MnDOT's cost participation policy to determine whether it supports pedestrian needs.
- Transportation Enhancements funding may be used for standalone streetscape or lighting improvements.