



Bicycle & Pedestrian Committee

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MEETING MINUTES

The **Bicycle & Pedestrian Committee** met via Zoom on **Monday September 13, 2021 at 7:30 p.m.** Present: Andy Compagna, Sheila Fay, Jesse Hammond, Janet Jameson, Dan McKinley, Amy Plovnick, Hannah Rakoff, Maria Saiz, Laura Wiener (staff); visitors: Susan Flint, Lisa Feltner (TC); guests: Joel Giacobozzi, Christy Murphy, James Jordan, Andrew Cunneen, Evan Davenport,

1. Introductions: Christy Murphy: Compass Project Management, Watertown HS PM; Joel Giacobozzi: WHS Principal; Ai3 Design Team: James Jordan, Andrew Cunneen & Evan Davenport
2. High School redesign: 2 projects: new HS on Columbia St and swing space (temporary High School) on Moxley Field. Andrew C: Moxley Field will be used for 3 years while new High School is built—2023-2026. Can use Linear Park for biking & walking to area. Plan includes extending Linear Park across Waverley Ave. to get closer to school. Crossing Guards are available on Waverley & Bemis. Site: Add Bluebikes station at start of linear extension. 3 covered bike racks for 60 bikes. Concerns: access through Linden St for pedestrians, could encourage walking/biking from Linear Park. Main school access is from Westminster St, wayfinding signs may be helpful. Community Path from Arsenal St to Linear Park might be complete by the time Moxley is in use. Evan D: HS site: new compressed site design allowing more outdoor space, with parking underneath the building. Three possible areas for bike parking, designed for everyday and special events. Points raised: bike parking in garage, reserved for staff. Is there covered & secure bike parking outside for students that is easily accessible to main entrances? Shower & changing facilities for staff will be included. A survey will be done this year re: transport to the school, including staff; conversations with Student Council re: incentives to use alternative modes. Reminder the area has lots of seniors nearby.
3. Approval of Minutes: unanimously approved.
4. Faire on the Square: Bike racks loaned from Mass Bikes, they will drop off and pick up. Light weight and collapsible. Laura will try to secure a free table for the Committee, and will get materials and buttons to Andy. A schedule for the day was distributed.
5. Little Greenough: CommonWheels will do bike station and bike rodeo, Ethan will bring helmets and chalk. 1-4pm. Volunteers: Amy, Hannah, Andy, Jesse, Sheila. Laura will make buttons and drop off.

6. Remaining agenda items moved to next month
7. IT director coming to next meeting to talk about 311 program. Suggestions to prepare for meeting: see Dan's email with Cambridge page.
8. No new development plans to be reviewed.

Next Meeting: October 4 at 7:30pm via Zoom.