

MINUTES OF THE BI-STATE REGIONAL TRAIL COMMITTEE

Thursday, November 17, 2022 – 10:00 a.m.

6th Floor Conference Room
Scott County Administration Center
600 West 4th Street
Davenport, Iowa

1. Welcome/Introductions – Mr. Griffith opened the meeting by welcoming those in attendance and asked for introductions. (See attached attendance sheet.)
2. Approval of the Meeting Minutes from September 22, 2022 – The minutes from the September 22, 2022 Bi-State Regional Trail Committee were approved as presented.
3. Presentation on Regional ITEP Project Applications. – Mr. Schmid provided attendees with background on the Illinois Transportation Enhancement Program (ITEP), being a federal-state hybrid program funded through the federal transportation act, currently the Infrastructure Investment and Jobs Act (IIJA), and augmented by state funds. The Illinois DOT solicits applications on a biennial cycle. For FY23, approximately \$125 million is available statewide. The maximum award was increased from previous cycles to \$3 million, and local match amounts are determined on a sliding scale based on a composite Community Score composed of underlying demographic and economic data. Projects must be obligated within five years of award.

Five applications from four communities were submitted for FY23 from the Illinois Bi-State Region. The communities were Moline, Rock Island (two applications), Silvis, and Annawan. The combined request totaled over \$8 million, with individual project requests ranging from \$160,000 to the maximum of \$3 million.

The City of Moline applied for \$3 million for Phase II of the River to River Corridor from Avenue of the Cities to Coaltown Road. The project would improve access to downtown through the central corridor of the community near I-74. Rock Island applied for two projects. The first is a sidepath along 31st Avenue from Sunset Park to 9th Street. The connection would provide access to commercial, industrial, and residential areas. The second project from Rock Island proposed a sidepath along Blackhawk Road and improved pedestrian crossing at 44th Street. The project would provide a connection to Ben Williamson Park and the Kiwanis and Rock River Trails. The City of Silvis applied for additional funding for its 10th Street Trail. The project had previously received TASA funds locally, and the city is seeking additional funding for the increased costs. The trail would connect the new sidepath along Avenue of the Cities and the Grand Illinois Trail at Crosstown Avenue. And finally, the Village of Annawan applied for reconstruction of 2,000 linear feet of sidewalks and ramps near Annawan Community School.

4. Committee Member Reports

Bettendorf–

The city is working on its application to be a “Silver” rated Bicycle Friendly Community, while Arconic will apply to be a Bicycle Friendly Business. A new trail has been completed on Tanglewood Road, running east of Devil’s Glen Road. The Forest Grove Drive reconstruction is still underway, with a trail extension planned to connect to Forest Grove Elementary School. The city was not awarded funding for a pedestrian bridge over Middle Road, which would have connected two activity areas of the TBK Bank Sports Complex on either side of Middle Road.

Cornbelt Running Club–

The club recently provided feedback to the City of Riverdale, who had reached out for input regarding trail facilities in the city. The club is also continuing to encourage education of recreational trails in the region.

LeClaire–

The city is exploring ways to improve the pedestrian and bicycle experience in its Marina District. The area has narrow right-of-way and lacks sidewalks or striping. The city reviewing its sidewalk plans with respect to prioritization.

Moline–

The city applied to and was accepted to take part in a webinar series prior to ITEP application. Input received for the project application totaled over 800 responses from the community.

Quad City Bicycle Club–

The club would like to keep the Davenport GO plan top of mind, and publicize accomplishments to keep momentum going.

Scott County–

The county would like to build support for trail construction, as numerous opportunities will be developed in coming years. Intergovernmental cooperation would create high quality facilities that would benefit county residents.

5. Other Business – There was no other business.
6. Adjournment – The meeting adjourned at 10:43 a.m.

MEETING ATTENDANCE RECORD MEMBERS, GUESTS & STAFF

Meeting of: Bi-State Regional Trail Committee

Date: November 17, 2022 Time: 10:00 a.m. To 11:25 a.m. Minutes: Yes X No ___

Place of Meeting: Scott County Administrative Building, Davenport, IA

Name:	Title/Representing:	Contact # or Email:
1. Taylor Beswick	City of Bettendorf	
2. Eric Griffith	City of Moline	
3. Greg Ludwig	City of LeClaire	
4. Bob Madison	Cornbelt Running Club	
5. Chris Mathias	Scott County	
6. Dean Mathias	Quad City Bicycle Club	
7. Bryan Schmid	Bi-State Regional Commission	
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