# WALKABLE COMMUNITIES COALITION

# **AGENDA**

Tuesday, March 8, 2016 12 Noon to 1 PM

disAbility Connections 409 Linden Avenue

MISSION: To create an environment where it's easy to walk and bike for recreation, transportation, and health; and to educate and encourage citizens to be active.

Please feel free to bring your lunch to the meetings!

- 1. Call to Order
- 2. Public Comment
- 3. Approval of Minutes of February 9, 2016 (enclosed)
- 4. ALHAT System Scan Update-Shaina Tinsey
- 5. May 14th Bike Rally Update, Carnegie Library
- 6. Non-Motorized Plan Update
- 7. Reports and/or Updates From Members
- 8. Public Comment
- 9. Adjournment

Next Meeting: <u>April 12, 2016</u>
12 Noon to 1:00 PM
disAbility Connections

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## MINUTES

Walkable Communities Coalition disAbility Connections 409 Linden Avenue Jackson, Michigan

Tuesday, February 9, 2015 12:00 PM

#### **Members Present:**

Chris Gulock, MDOT – University Region
Ken Mangus, Citizen
Laurel Mauldin, Chair
Aaron Dawson, Region 2 Planning Commission
Shaina Tinsey, AH/HIO
Karen White, Carnegie Library
Ted Hilleary, ALHAT
Scott TenBrink, City of Jackson/UM
Parrish Stahl, disAbility Connections
Rod Malloy, Dahlem Center
Laura Schlecte, Citizen
Robert Moore, Penter Stamping
John Hopkins, Citizen

#### 1. CALL TO ORDER

Ms. Mauldin called the meeting to order at 12:00 PM.

# 2. PUBLIC COMMENT

No public comment was received.

#### 3. APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF JANUARY 12, 2015

The motion was made by Mr. TenBrink, supported by Mr. Hilleary, to approve the minutes with one amendment to item 5. The motion passed unanimously.

# 4. ACTIVE LIVING HAT SYSTEM SCAN

Ms. Tinsey reminded the group of the forms distributed to complete the virtual system scan. She also noted to answer all portions of the system scan completely because themes (duplicate answers) are important. Mr. Dawson agreed to send out an email reminder about the system scan and to have all responses back by February 11, 2016.

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# 5. <u>ACTIVE LIVING EVENTS – MAY 14<sup>TH</sup> BIKE RALLY</u>

Ms. White informed the group that assistance for the event will be needed from the Jackson Police Department, JATA, Allegiance Health, disAbility Connections, and more. She will also be contacting the local area bike shops to encourage participation. Marketing materials are currently being produced for the event. Movement of bikes and equipment are still a challenge, disAbility Connections and MDOT may be able to help with this. Mr. TenBrink suggested that the blender bike from MSU extension is in excellent shape and should be used for a display. Ms. Schlecte confirmed that it would not be difficult to close a few streets downtown for the event, provided the necessary paperwork is filed with the City of Jackson. Ms. Mauldin suggested that a fashion show display would be great for the event, featuring bikes, models, books, and equipment for riding. This should be submitted to Experience Jackson for awareness. Ms. Tinsey also informed the group that Allegiance Health and Step by Step will be taking over some form of the Smart Commute event.

## 6. NON-MOTORIZED PLANNING TEAM

Ms. Mauldin recommended the establishment of a non-motorized planning team, for generating a list of priority projects in the Jackson area. Ms. Schlecte will be leading this team. Any members interested in participating should contact Ms. Schlecte. This group will be meeting at the Region 2 Planning Commission office.

### 7. REPORTS AND UPDATES FROM MEMBERS

Mr. Gulock informed the group about the portion of the Iron Belle Trail in Jackson County, saying that there are still some design challenges and a solution has not been selected. There was a discussion about the Cooper St. bridge and how it may not be the best solution anymore.

Mr. Stahl noted that there is no handicap parking access on the new Michigan Avenue streetscape project. Without these spaces, getting to City Hall is considerably farther from other parking lots downtown.

#### 8. PUBLIC COMMENT

No public comment was received.

#### 9. ADJOURNMENT

There being no further comments, Chair Mauldin adjourned the meeting at 1:05 PM.

Aaron Dawson Region 2 Planning Commission