

WALKABLE COMMUNITIES COALITION

AGENDA

Tuesday, April 12, 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 March 8, 2016 (enclosed)
4. ALHAT System Scan, Review Community/Leader Scan Questions – Shaina Tinsey
5. May 14th Bike Rally Update, Carnegie Library
6. Non-Motorized Plan Update
7. Healthy Communities Challenge
8. Reports and/or Updates From Members
9. Public Comment
10. Adjournment

**Next Meeting: May 11, 2016
12 Noon to 1:00 PM
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MINUTES

Walkable Communities Coalition
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409 Linden Avenue
Jackson, Michigan

Tuesday, March 8, 2015 12:00 PM

Members Present:

Laurel Mauldin, Chair
Aaron Dawson, Region 2 Planning Commission
Shaina Tinsey, Health Improvement Organization
Laura Schlecte, Citizen
Simon Foster, Jackson Area Transportation Authority
Andrew Farmer, American Association of Retired Persons
Julie Weisbrod, Jackson County Health Department

1. **CALL TO ORDER**

Ms. Mauldin called the meeting to order at 12:06 PM.

2. **PUBLIC COMMENT**

No public comment was received.

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

The motion was made by Ms. Schlecte, supported by Ms. Tinsey, to approve the minutes with one amendment to add Ms. Weisbrod to the attendee list. The motion passed unanimously.

4. **ACTIVE LIVING HAT SYSTEM SCAN UPDATE**

Ms. Tinsey informed the group about the initial results of the system scan. There are themes emerging from the data but there is still more to complete. Some of the emerging themes are: Lack of active living culture, safety issues, doctors not encouraging exercise, etc. The HIO is currently developing questionnaires for public officials and citizens. Mr. Farmer suggested that there are some upcoming AARP events that may be very useful in gathering more data. Ms. Tinsey agreed that it can be easier to get accurate answers from discussion as opposed to asking questions/surveys because people may feel guilt or embarrassment when directly questioned. AARP may be hosting some listening sessions this summer that would be perfect for this type of discussion. It is also suggested that for the surveys that are used, to make the questions easier to understand. The HIO is looking for a May or June timeframe to complete the action plan.

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5. **ACTIVE LIVING EVENTS – MAY 14TH BIKE RALLY**

All events are moving forward as planned. Ms. Schlecte suggested that the street closure application should be applied for, and that the fee is only \$25. If multiple applications are required that also should not be a problem with the City of Jackson. Pedal and Tour bike shop, On Two Wheels, City of Jackson Parks and Recreation, and the Jackson YMCA are all being considered for submitting the application. There is also a need for volunteers. Involvement of volunteers from local bike clubs and suggestions for the logistics of the event is encouraged.

6. **NON-MOTORIZED PLANNING TEAM**

Ms. Dawson informed the group of the current progress of the non-motorized plan, and will provide updates as they are available. Region 2 Planning Commission is reviewing the possibility of using federal planning funds to finance the hiring of a consultant. The plan must cover all of Jackson County and will require local match from the Jackson County Department of Transportation and the City of Jackson. There will be more meetings hosted at Region 2 Planning Commission to monitor progress of the planning effort.

7. **REPORTS AND UPDATES FROM MEMBERS**

There were no additional reports or updates.

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