# WALKABLE COMMUNITIES COALITION

## **AGENDA**

Tuesday, July 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 June 14, 2016 (enclosed)
- 4. ALHAT Action Plan Objective Rates Shaina Tinsey
- 5. Non-Motorized Plan Update
- 6. Reports and/or Updates From Members
- 7. Public Comment
- 8. Adjournment

Next Meeting: <u>August 9, 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, June 14, 2016 12:00 PM

### **Members Present:**

Aaron Dawson, Region 2 Planning Commission Shaina Tinsey, Health Improvement Organization Julie Weisbrod, Jackson County Health Department Pete Jancek, Blackman Township Laura Schlecte, Citizen Martha York, Region 2 Area Agency on Aging Chris Gulock, MDOT University Region

### 1. CALL TO ORDER

Mr. Dawson called the meeting to order at 12:03 PM and introductions were given.

### 2. PUBLIC COMMENT

No public comment was received.

### 3. APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF APRIL 12, 2016

A motion was made by Mr. Jancek, supported by Ms. Weisbrod, to approve the minutes of the May 10, 2016 meeting. The motion passed unanimously. Introductions were made.

### 4. REVIEW OF 2017-2020 TRANSPORTATION IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM – JACKSON AREA COMPREHENSIVE TRANSPORTATION STUDY

Mr. Dawson reviewed the project list included in the meeting packet. This list is the planned transportation improvements for the next four years, and is currently open for public comment until June 20, 2016. Mr. Dawson explained the pedestrian projects that were included in the program and invited members to comment.

### 5. ALHAT ACTION PLAN OBJECTIVE RATES

Ms. Tinsey distributed the current objective rates for the Active Living Health Action Team (ALHAT) and explained that this data is used to measure the effectiveness of the ALHAT action plan. The next Community

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Health Assessment will be in 2017. The action plan can be amended to change what type of data will be collected. It is important to note that action plans are for new or additional opportunities, not existing efforts.

### 6. NON-MOTORIZED PLAN UPDATE

Mr. Dawson explained the progress of the Jackson Non-Motorized Plan. Region 2 Planning Commission has submitted a request to both the City of Jackson and Jackson County for local match dollars to proceed. A copy of this memo was included in the packet. Region 2 will be contributing \$40,000 in federal planning dollars, with \$10,000 coming from the city and county combined. One of the important factors of this plan is to work with both the Joint Parks and Recreation Plan and the University Region No-Mo Plan.

### 7. REPORTS AND UPDATES FROM MEMBERS

- There will be a meeting tomorrow, June 15, for the non-motorized trail and street lights on County Farm Rd. Meeting details were disseminated.
- The MDOT University Region Non-Motorized meeting will be at 4701 Michigan Ave. in Jackson on June 15, at 1 PM.
- Ms. Weisbrod provided information on the Loomis Park Area non-motorized advocacy group (Friends of Loomis Park). There is currently great progress on an informal walking club at the park. This group will be collaborating with YMCA exercise programs in the future.
- There was a discussion about how to access the current non-motorized asset inventory for the area. Ms. Schlecte discussed combining the Experience Jackson and Jackson Walkable Trails System, stating that Experience Jackson would be a great place to house this information. Ms. Tinsey stated that there may be grants available to get this project underway, and this effort should continue.

### 8. PUBLIC COMMENT

Mr. Dawson and Ms. Schlecte reminded the group about an upcoming presentation "Pathways as Economic Drivers" on June 22<sup>nd</sup> at the Jackson County Tower building. This is a free event and lunch is available for \$10. There will also be a bike tour of Jackson after the presentation, led by Mr. Tenbrink. All three local bike shops will be participating.

### 9. ADJOURNMENT

With no further comments, Mr. Dawson adjourned the meeting at 12:50 PM.

Aaron Dawson Region 2 Planning Commission