

BPAC Goals FY 2023

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The 5 themes included:

- Research & Planning
- Evaluation & Response
- Culture & Communication
- Equity
- Applications

BPAC members, working groups, or partners specifically interested or involved in moving goals forward are italicized on the following slides.



Research & Planning

Planning and policy documents, improved data,
research on best practices

Research & Planning

- **Research and evaluate technological options for improved pedestrian lighting at critical locations** *(Bill Brown, Sarthak Prasad)*
 - Motion-activated brightness control
 - Automatic detection of pedestrians for crosswalk signals
- **Complete Vision Zero Action Plan** *(Vision Zero task force)*
- **Increase understanding of process for police-reported crash data and open data source updates** *(Bill Brown)*
- **Review and make suggestions regarding City planning, policy and ordinances** *(Bill Brown)*
 - Response to e-bike popularity *(Bruce Michelson)*
 - Further assess snow removal ordinance *(Cynthia Hoyle)*
 - Parking in bicycle lanes, particularly by large trucks *(Audrey Ishii)*
 - Bike rack installation city-wide



Evaluation & Response

Review of existing City plans and initiatives, providing recommendations, and collaboration with other agencies

Evaluation & Response

- **Plan Review conducted with focus on BPAC discussion topics and initiatives** (*Jeff Marino, planning interns, RPC*)
 - Conduct annual review of Pedestrian Master Plan
 - Complete 5-year review of Bicycle Master Plan and update as needed
- **Coordinate with partner agencies and ask for annual updates: CUUATS, MTD, Urbana Park District, and City of Champaign** (*Kara Dudek-Mizel*)
- **Provide input to staff and city council on existing council goals related to walking and cycling**



Culture & Communication

Growing the City's bicycle and pedestrian friendly culture and communicating these values

Culture & Communication

- **Improve existing city culture to better represent the nature of a bicycle and pedestrian friendly city**
 - Recommend changes in department policies to systematically include bicycle and pedestrian concerns, such as bicycle and pedestrian needs when streets are closed for maintenance (*Bill Brown*)
 - Develop public outreach programs on bicycle and pedestrian issues and work with the City's Communications Specialist
- **Assist local businesses in the Bicycle Friendly Business application process** (*Cynthia Hoyle*)
- **Determine continuing education opportunities for commissioners such as workshops**

(*Annie Adams, Sue Jones*)



Equity

Implement the EQL Project and improve safety and accessibility



Equity

- Review the Equity and Quality of Life project process and funding requests
- Work with BPAC partners (city, MTD, PACE, UIUC) to improve transportation safety and accessibility for disabled and elderly persons *(Nancy Westcott)*
 - Work to improve online information such as audio bus schedules, bus stop design, audio walk signals
 - Improve communications regarding the importance of sidewalk connectivity and maintenance, including snow removal, for the safe travel of the disabled and elderly
 - Improve understanding of barriers to the safe transit of the disabled by designating a position on BPAC as liaison to disabled community (e.g. PACE)



Applications

For funding and program recognition

Applications

- **Help City secure an ITEP grant for new infrastructure** *(Kara Dudek-Mizel)*
 - Review grant criteria
 - Identify unmet needs from our plans or unfunded equity projects
 - Score options and choose one that will have the broadest support from partners and a high chance of being funded
 - Recommend the project for application, help to obtain support letters
- **Apply for renewal of BFC Gold status** *(John Zeman, Cynthia Hoyle, RPC)*
 - Review new criteria
 - Work with RPC to identify accomplishments and submit application
- **Apply for funding for Vision Zero and other project opportunities** *(Vision Zero task force, Cynthia Hoyle, Bill Brown)*