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**Subject:** Re: South Russell Pedestrian and Bicycle Transport - Mtg with Trail architect

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Thanks to everyone who made it out to the meeting with Rich Washington today.

Below are meeting minutes, upcoming meetings, and next steps

**Upcoming Meetings:**

- 1. Safe Bicycle and Pedestrian Access Committee Meeting - April 25th 8:30am**
- 2. Meet with Rich Washington May 22nd 8:30am**

**Next steps:**

Rich will start with phase 1 suggested by the survey and see how far 800k will go

Mayor Koons will meet with NOACA to get answers to the questions

- When does it need to be implemented?
- What are the parameters?

Carrie will parse out the survey responses by location

Carrie will send Rich the survey results and open responses to inform the master trails plan

### **Proposed agenda for April 25th meeting**

1. Working meeting to identify grant opportunities and deadlines and create a list
2. Ideas to contact Bell Rd residents
3. Plan for May 22nd meeting

### **Committee for Safe Bicycle and Pedestrian Transport Meeting Minutes**

Thursday, April 10th, 2025 8:30am

Attendees: Carrie Schloss, John Buda, John Wahl, Mayor Koons, Kelly Estes, Suzanne Moloney, Rich Washington, Kaley Richard, Rick Smith

Intros

Ideas were shared about feasibility of different types of paths, widths of paths and locations

Rich shared that he heard a lot of interest in a path on Bell

Suggestions from the group included

- making a full bike/walk lane by narrowing Bell's lanes and expanding the edge
- Group determined this is not what the community is asking for as people will still not feel safe from distracted drivers
- Suggestion was made for a path East of 306
- Suggestion was made that an easy location for a path would be up 306

Survey results were shared with Rich Washington (same deck shared with council on March 24)

Questions about NOACA funding included:

- If we use NOACA funding does it have to be a 10ft width?
- When does NOACA funding need to be spent by?
- What are the other requirements/parameters of the grant?

Some considerations included:

- Only have 15 ft to work with or will need easements
- Can't go over drainage

Is there any more grant funding out there?

- Yes - we need to research the opportunities and deadlines
- ODOT - pedestrian and bicycle special solicitation - May 1
  - Plans and studies
  - Traditional infrastructure projects

Group asked about the schedule for master plan

- Rich said the need to know when implementation has to be by for NOACA funds and will work backwards to do community meetings, preliminary design, survey public bidding and build all that into the schedule

Mayor Koons will find out more info from NOACA grant - maybe go in person

Question if we got enough east of 306 responses - suggestion to figure out where responses were coming from based on cross street answers

Question asked if we need to reopen the survey - decided we don't need to right now - but that it might be helpful to ask more specific questions down the road (substrate, what types of crossings)

We also need to get a better handle on the feelings of the residents on Bell where we are proposing a path