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Bicycle and Pedestrian Subcommittee meeting 7:30 AM to 9:00 AM on Tuesday March 8, 2016 210 Main Street, Room 11, Northampton (use back door to City Hall)

Members:

Ann Brooks	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Wayne Feiden	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Ruthy Woodring	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Michael DiPasquale	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	John Gaustad	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Maggie Chan (DPW)	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
David Paine	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Michael Sullivan	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>		

1. Public Comment: Todd Ford introduced himself as a potential member of the Bicycle and Pedestrian Subcommittee representing the Tree Commission. By unanimous consent, the subcommittee unanimously supported this nomination to the Transportation and Parking Commission.
2. Approve February 9, 2016 minutes: Upon motion by John Gaustad and second by Ann Brooks the subcommittee unanimously approved the minutes.
3. Updates on bicycle, pedestrian and wayfinding projects: Feiden reported that the Leeds rail trail project is substantively complete, and under budget. The city is exploring using remaining funds for additional work.
4. Debrief from March 7, 2016 Walk/Bike Comprehensive Plan public forum facilitated by Phil Goff, Alta Planning + Design.
Catherine Ratte reported on how the PVPC Partners for Places grant fits with the plan Joel Russell suggested that bicycle and pedestrian design should not be separate from good urban design, which makes streets safer for bicyclists and pedestrians.
Debin Bruce discussed how downtown pedestrian safety and car free opportunities should be optimized.
The committee members discussed generally the input heard from the approximately 130 people who participated in the forum. Planning will set up the opportunity to post comments on the walk/bike plan on its website. PVPC will explore a wiki-maps application.
5. Upcoming meetings- agreed to by the subcommittee
Second public forum: Tuesday May 10, 2016 6:30 PM-8:00 PM
Bicycle and Pedestrian Subcommittee: Wednesday May 11, 2016 7:30 AM-9:00 AM
Bike Breakfast: Wednesday May 18, 2016
Main Street design workshop: Wed. May 18, 2016 6:30 PM-8:00 PM (6:00 PM open house)

