

The Lewiston-Auburn Bike-Ped Committee

Mission/Purpose

The mission of the Lewiston-Auburn Bike-Ped Committee is to

- develop and recommend fiscally responsible policies to the respective governing bodies that take into account and support non-motorized transportation in the Twin Cities;
- advise the respective public works and engineering departments on how non-motorized users can be accommodated in street, highway, and open space projects while taking into account the impact of such recommendations on project affordability;
- participate in the Androscoggin Transportation Resource Committee's update of its regional long-range bicycle-pedestrian plan;
- monitor the implementation of that plan within the Twin Cities; and
- promote bicycle-pedestrian education.

Composition

The committee will be comprised of 7 voting members: 1 councilor and two Auburn residents appointed by the Mayor of Auburn; 1 councilor and two Lewiston residents appointed by the Mayor of Lewiston; and 1 representative from a local business jointly selected by the Mayors. Any vacancy on the committee shall be filled through an appointment made in the same manner as outlined above. The Committee shall annually select a Chair Person. In the event that any member is absent for 3 consecutive meetings without being excused by the Chair of the Committee, that individual shall forfeit committee membership.

TERM

The Committee shall remain in existence until September 1, 2015. At least sixty days prior to this date, the respective Mayors shall consult and shall make a recommendation to the respective City Councils as to the continued existence of the Committee. If the Mayors fail to make a recommendation, the Committee shall continue in existence until one or both Councils take action to either extend its term or discontinue the Committee.

STAFF SUPPORT

The City Manager of Auburn and the City Administrator of Lewiston shall each assign a staff member as a primary point of contact with the respective municipal organizations. The Manager and Administrator shall provide the Committee with access to other members of the municipal staffs as may be required.

MEETINGS AND REPORTS

The Committee shall establish the times and places of its meetings, taking care to meet periodically in each community. Meetings shall be open to the public and notice of such meetings shall be posted by the respective City Clerks. The Committee may invite such others as may be knowledgeable regarding bike and pedestrian issues to provide information

for their consideration. The Committee shall prepare summaries of its meetings and shall make them available to the elected officials of both communities.

Outcomes/Specific Activities:

The L-A Bike-Ped Committee would achieve its mission through the following:

- Serving as the primary resource representing Lewiston and Auburn in the update of the ATRC Regional Long-Range Bicycle-Pedestrian Plan;
- Developing and recommending policies and ordinances for passage by the City Councils in support of non-motorized transportation;
- Planning and coordinating educational events with local partners such as schools, bicycle shops, and biking and run/walk events;
- Assessing and commenting on existing transportation projects in regard to bicycle and pedestrian accommodations including ATRC approved projects, municipally initiated projects, and improvements originating from Traffic Movement Permits; and
- Participating with appropriate city departments and committees in planning coordinated multi-modal transportation systems in L-A and the surrounding region to ensure that such systems take into account the needs of pedestrians and bicyclists and that motorized and non-motorized systems are well coordinated.