



City of Ann Arbor

Meeting Minutes

Planning Commission, City

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Tuesday, August 15, 2017

7:00 PM

Larcom City Hall, 301 E Huron St, Second
floor, City Council Chambers

10-c [17-1216](#) Master Plan Resolution for Treeline-Allen Creek Urban Trail Notice to Plan

Planning Manager Brett Lenart provided the staff report. He explained that this item was before the Commission only as a kick-off and would return at a later date to the Commission with a public hearing and discussion.

PUBLIC HEARING:

Noting no public speakers, the Chair declared the public hearing closed unless the item is postponed.

Moved by Weatherbee, seconded by Gibb-Randall that the Ann Arbor City Planning Commission hereby recommends that the Mayor and City Council authorize distribution the Treeline – Allen Creek Urban Trail Master Plan, an amendment to the City Master Plan, for review and comment to adjoining jurisdictions and stakeholders in accordance with MCL 125.37b of the State of Michigan Municipal Planning Act (PA-285 of 1931 as amended).

COMMISSION DISCUSSION:

The Commission took into consideration the presented petition and discussed the matter. [For a complete record of the discussion, please see available video format]

Weatherbee asked if the Ann Arbor Railroad should be included on the contact list.

Lenart said they would receive it as well.

Woods asked if Ypsilanti Planning Commission should be on the list.

Lenart said we would be happy to share it, but technically only adjoining jurisdictions need to be notified.

Woods asked if notification would be in the form of an email with links to the draft report.

Lenart explained that if the story-map project was far enough along at the stage of public hearing notice, the City would, otherwise it would be sent out as a paper version.

Clein asked for an explanation of the concept of a 'story-map'.

Lenart explained that it could be either a map containing hyperlinks to pictures, documents, explanations, etc., when clicked on or it could be text containing hyperlinks to maps, pictures, documents, etc.

Mills asked if MDOT should be on the list.

Lenart said yes, adding that the City has had detailed discussions with project teams regarding right-of ways (ROW) as well as detailed discussions with WhatGo.

Gibb-Randall asked if notification at this stage was only planning agencies, because other government entities would include the University of Michigan. She commented that she would like to know if they could get student feedback, since they are a large chunk of our population.

Lenart said there would be public dialogue during meetings, adding he would look into it.

Mills added that a list of groups whom should be contacted at the university had been identified and provided to the project team.

Mills asked if the Huron Parks folks should be added to the list.

Lenart agreed and further suggested that the Commission contact him with additional contacts during this process.

Clein noted that AAATA should also be on the list.

On a voice vote, the vote was as following with the Chair declaring the motion carried unanimously. Vote: 6-0

Yeas: 6 - Wendy Woods, Kenneth Clein, Sarah Mills, Shannan Gibb-Randall, Scott Trudeau, and Julie Weatherbee

Nays: 0

Absent: 3 - Erica Briggs, Alex Milshteyn, and Zachary Ackerman