

HENNEPIN COUNTY

MINNESOTA

Hennepin County, Board of Commissioners RESOLUTION 21-0223

2021

The following resolution was moved by Commissioner Chris LaTondresse and seconded by Commissioner Angela Conley:

WHEREAS, bicycling, walking, and rolling for transportation and recreational purposes continues to expand in the county; and

WHEREAS, the Bicycle Advisory Committee (BAC) was created with a focus on integrating bicycles into the county public transportation systems; and

WHEREAS, the BAC recognizes the importance of walking and rolling for transportation and recreation; and

WHEREAS, these efforts support the county's climate action goals to reduce greenhouse gas emissions; and

WHEREAS, the BAC seeks board support for a revitalized mission and guiding principles; and

WHEREAS, the BAC provides review for projects, programs, policies and plans that impact bicycling, walking and rolling; and

WHEREAS, the committee depends on active members that represent the county's population; therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Hennepin County Bicycle Advisory Committee change its name to the Hennepin County Active Transportation Committee; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that each county commissioner appoint two voting members, preferably one with a bicycling focus and one with a walking and rolling focus to serve a three-year term; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the member terms be staggered with the next appointments due, unless otherwise filled due to a mid-term vacancy, as follows:

- Districts 1 and 2: 2022
- Districts 3, 4 and 6: 2023
- Districts 5 and 7: 2021; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the committee include non-voting representatives from the Minnesota Department of Transportation, Three Rivers Park District, Minneapolis Park and Recreation Board, Metropolitan Council, and Hennepin County Public Works; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that committee members elect a chair and vice-chair biennially; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that members regularly update the commissioner of the district that appointed them; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the committee adopts the updated mission and guiding principles.

Mission

To advise, promote and expand opportunities for safe and convenient bicycling, walking, and rolling for transportation, commuting, and recreation in Hennepin County.

Guiding Principles

- **Safety:** advance engineering and education that create safe facilities for bicycling, walking, and rolling for transportation and recreation. Support plans, policies, and designs that put people first and prioritize vulnerable roadway users.
- **Network continuity:** advance bicycling, walking, and rolling for transportation and recreation through a connected network and support the continuity of a multimodal network.
- **Network connectivity:** provide connectivity of the bicycling, walking, and rolling network by reducing pinch points, bridging barriers, and integrating with other networks.

These principles will be evaluated based on the following:

1. **Space:** ensure a defined area for people bicycling, walking, and rolling that provides user comfort, dependent on the right of way available, engineering, and safety for all.
2. **Technology:** advance and integrate technology to support safety, comfort, and mobility.
3. **Accommodations:** provide alternatives to impacted bicycling, walking, and rolling networks due to permanent or temporary impacts.
4. **Mobility:** provide efficient, safe, and comfortable bicycling, walking, and rolling networks.
5. **Accessibility:** support access to destinations and transportation networks and integrate with other transportation modes and related infrastructure (transit, passenger rail stations, bus stops).
6. **Climate change:** align work with the county's climate action efforts.

7. **Disparity reduction:** support plans, policies, and designs that reduce transportation related disparities.

The question was on the adoption of the resolution and there were 5 YEAS and 0 NAYS, as follows:

**County of Hennepin
Board of County Commissioners**

YEAS: Anderson, Conley, Fernando, LaTondresse, Lunde

NAYS:

ABSTAIN:

ABSENT: Goettel, Greene

RESOLUTION ADOPTED ON 6/22/2021

ATTEST: M. Roge
Deputy/Clerk to the County Board

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