

# Athens in Motion Commission

## AGENDA - JANUARY 24, 2023

Location: ACCGov Planning Department, 120 W. Dougherty Street  
Planning Auditorium (upstairs)

4pm-6pm

### Welcome

4:05 pm, 10 minutes

- Welcome!
- Public Comment
- Agenda - additions/approval
- November 29 minutes - additions/approval

### Major Items

4:15 pm, 60 minutes

#### *Event tabling opportunity: REI Co-op opening weekend*

~10 minutes, presented by Chair, Lauren Blais + Daniel Sizemore

- February 10-12, Friday, Saturday, Sunday
- 1-5pm
- With BikeAthens - Teresa has materials - Lauren, Teresa, Mark, Randy, Daniel
  - Friday
  - Saturday
  - Sunday

#### *AiMC Logo Vote*

~10 minutes, presented by Vice Chair, Teresa Friedlander

- Final vote on new logo

#### *AiMC Proposed Expenditures*

~10 minutes, presented by Vice Chair + Daniel Sizemore

- 12k for items:
  - \$3.5K to re-open WikiMap (from Toole 2018 for new AiM) - Passed
  - \$3.5K public engagement & outreach as part of AiM revision - Tabled
  - \$2K reflective vests w/ new logo and any other safety tools for giveaways - Passed
  - Proposed Social campaign
    - if we are ready to launch any social media campaign, \$3K for a social media intern
      - Daniel needs to check to see who would need to supervise.

## ***Policy and Projects detailed status***

~10 minutes, presented by committee chair, Randy Halstead

- Crosswalk policy update
- Identification of bike lane gaps and prioritization of identified gaps
  - Need more information on how much this might actually cost.

## ***Athens in Motion Plan Update***

~15 minutes, Daniel Sizemore

- [Plan Comments can be made here](#) (you will need to be logged in)
  - Deadline for initial comments: January 31
- Process/Notes

## ***Necessity of trail lighting***

~5 minutes, Chair + Scott Long, Executive Director BikeAthens

- Greenway/Firefly Trail Lighting
  - Consideration of our trails as critical bike/ped transportation corridors even as daylight hours shift during the year
- Status of issue
- Steps forward

## **Staff Updates**

5:15pm, 30 minutes

### ***Park Planning***

**Todd Miller, Park Planning Coordinator**

- Daniel can check with Tim about curb cuts at Firefly Trailhead

### ***Transportation and Public Works***

**Daniel Sizemore, Bike, Pedestrian and Safety Coordinator  
with Rani Katreeb, Assistant Director of Transportation**

- Prince Avenue Project - Passed
  - Next steps
- Barber Street
  - February 7 M&C Vote
- AiM Project updates if available:
  - Cherokee Road
  - Riverbend Road
  - North Avenue Project
- Bike Friendly Community Application – due Feb 15th 2023
  - Top Priority
- Local Road Safety Plan
- Additional Staff updates as time allows

## Committee Reportback

5:45pm, <10 minutes

### Corridor Committees

- Atlanta Highway - Teresa Friedlander
- Lexington Road - Randy Halstead
- Prince Avenue - Mark Ebell

### AiMC Committees

- Grants and Data - Chair: Mark Ebell
- Education and Communication - Chair: Teresa Friedlander
- Policy and Projects - Chair: Randy Halstead
  - See major item update

### Other Committees/Commissions

- UGA - Blaine Van Note
- Greenway - Dale Van Cantfort
- TSPLOST 2018 - Lauren Blais - Merging with 2022 group?
  - [See monthly update and project descriptions here](#)
- TSPLOST 2022 - Lauren Blais - Oversight group forming?
  - [See project descriptions here](#)

## AiM Commissioner Round

5:55pm

AiM Commissioners briefly share other business or a parting thought.

## Adjourn

6pm

Next meeting: February 28, 2023

# AiMC Meeting Attachments

## Plan Revisions Context

Hey all!

I wanted to provide some extra context to my last email. We are coming up on the 5 year revision of the Athens in Motion Plan. That means that we need to revisit the document and make changes as needed. I had a few ideas about the process that I outlined at the last meeting in November, but I wanted to refresh everyone's memories and get it down in writing. Essentially, we have four major sections of the document that I want to dive into.

1. Athens in Motion Plan Goals
  - a. The Athens in Motion Commission (AiMC) will meet to discuss the overall goals (Table 1-1) of the plan to ensure that they reflect the goals of the commission as a whole.
  - b. The short-term, mid-term, and long-term goals (Pages 73-76) will be evaluated to determine which goals have been achieved, which ones should be prioritized moving forward, and which ones might need to be moved out to a later date.
    - i. We will also do this for the success measures section (Pages 77-80).
2. Public Engagement
  - a. The Education and Communications Committee (ECC) will be getting started on the public input portion of the plan.
  - b. This will entail reopening the [wikimap](#) tool that was used in 2017 so that people can comment on their favorite routes to ride, barriers to riding, favorite places to walk, barriers to walking, etc.
  - c. ECC will start hosting public input tabling events in the spring to get the word out and we will be discussing some ideas for this in our upcoming meeting during the ECC update.
3. Project Network Development
  - a. The Projects and Policy Committee (PPC) will be examining the current project network that was proposed in 2017.
  - b. They will designate:
    - i. existing projects that were completed
    - ii. existing projects that could be expanded
    - iii. existing projects to remove
    - iv. new projects to add.
  - c. This process will result in a new project network map that will show the future vision of Athens broken down by facility type:
    - i. Separated facilities (multiuse path, separated cycle track, etc.)
    - ii. Protected facilities (protected lanes on Prince or Hancock for instance)
    - iii. Delineated bike facilities (painted bike lanes, advisory lanes, etc.)
    - iv. Shared facilities (bike boulevards, yield roads, sharrows, etc.)
4. Project Prioritization Criteria
  - a. The Grants and Data Committee (GDC) will dig into the existing criteria, new potential criteria, data sources, and subsequent analyses that will need to be done to run all of the Project Network through our prioritization criteria.
  - b. They will focus on the details of the new criteria, ensuring that they match up with our goals.

I hope that clears up the intent of what we are hoping to get started on. I plan on using comments from all of you (uploaded into this document) so that I can ensure our meetings and conversations are focused around our needs and priorities. Obviously, the update of the Athens in Motion Plan is going to be a very involved process, but I am hoping to streamline as much of this as possible.

Don't worry about being too detailed or too vague in your comments. I view the comments in this document as a starting point for a line of dialogue with the various Committees and for the Commission as a whole.