

Athens in Motion Commission

MINUTES – JULY 22, 2025

Location: ACC Gov Planning Department, 120 W. Dougherty Street

Planning Auditorium

Attendees

In Person

AiM Commissioners

- Lauren Blais
- Art Edison
- Randy Halstead
- Ed Maioriello
- Blaine Van Note

ACCGov Staff

- Katie Goodrum
- Jason Jones
- Daniel Sizemore

Virtual

ACCGov Staff

- Jeremy Barnett
- Todd Miller

Ex-Officio

- Scott Long, Bike Athens

Absent

AiM Commissioners

- Teresa Friedlander
- Allen Jones
- Gabriella Sandberg

Public Attendance

- Aaron Redman, Committee member – AiMC Policy & Projects

Welcome

Lauren opened the meeting at 4:10 pm

Roll Call – Quorum achieved

Public Comment – no public comments

Agenda

Lauren shared the agenda and entertained a motion to accept. Art moved to accept the agenda; Ed seconded. The agenda was approved unanimously.

Minutes

Lauren shared the June meeting minutes and entertained a motion to accept. Ed moved to accept the minutes; Randy seconded. The minutes were approved unanimously.

Minutes

General Updates (3:12)

Safe Streets for All – Roadway Safety Improvements survey outreach

Katie Goodrum, Vision Zero Coordinator

- Survey deadline, August 3 – almost 300 responses
- Will update Mayor & Commission in September
- Near-miss cameras to be installed

TSPOST 2026

Lauren Blais, Chair of Athens in Motion

Randy Halstead, AiMC TSPLOST 2026 Advisory Committee

- Presentations have been made to Mayor & Commission
- Will be discussed further in September work session

Major Updates (10:38)

AiMC Plan Revision – Toole

Daniel Sizemore, Bike, Pedestrian and Safety Coordinator

Byron Rushing and Connor Lake, Toole Design

- Projects in Plan
 - Discussed removing networks from the 2018 plan
 - Proposed network update – developed from feedback, workshop

- Next steps
- Will provide copy of the plan/felt map and seek feedback from AiMC
 - Next move to prioritize networks, corridors, and individual projects

Staff Updates (1:18:58)

Park Planning

Todd Miller, Park Planning Coordinator

- Firefly Phase III – final completion 02/12/2026. Started concrete work on segment 2
- Greenway Trail Expansion – MLK Jr Parkway – North Ave to East Broad St – currently in design stage. Open house is scheduled slated for September 4, 2025
- Oak/Oconee St bridge is under construction, currently only two driving lanes are open. Anticipated completion is 2028. Trail construction will be completed after bridge

Transit

Jeremy Barnett, ACC Transit

- Will adjust schedule changes on August 11
 - Coordinating with UGA Transit
- 20 AiMC donated bike racks are being dispersed throughout the county
- Transit is fully staffed

Transportation and Public Works

Daniel Sizemore, Bike, Pedestrian and Safety Coordinator

Katie Goodrum, Vision Zero Coordinator

Jason Jones, Senior Transportation Planner

- Monthly Crash Report June 2025 – 301 total crashes reported
- An agenda item has been discussed for short term improvements to pedestrian safety at the Classic Center intersection (Thomas St)

Committee/Org Reportback (1:41:03)

Corridor Committees

- Atlanta Highway - Teresa Friedlander – no updates
- Lexington Road - Randy Halstead – scheduled meeting with traffic engineer, initiated sidewalk design
- Prince Avenue - Lauren Blais – no updates

AiMC Committees

- Education and Communication – Chair:
 - Tabling the UGA Watch for Dawgs event – Thursday, August 21 (11am-1pm)
- Policy and Projects – Chair: Randy Halstead
 - Reviewed MOU for bike rack share plan, will compare to other communities

Other Committees

- UGA - Blaine Van Note – Watch for Dawgs date 08/21 (11am-1pm) – Tate Plaza
 - East Campus Rd – from Milledge Ave to north of Carlton St – disappearing bike lane
 - ACC Transit – new map with UGA routes – are those being updated
- Greenway - Ed Maioriello – have started to update the Greenway network map
- TSPLOST 2023 – no updates

AiM Commissioner Round

- Randy – enjoyed seeing Breaking Away at Winterville Festival, Thank you Bike Athens
- Bike Athens joy ride this Friday at 6:00 pm

Adjourn

Lauren entertained a motion to adjourn the meeting. Ed moved. Art seconded. Meeting adjourned.

Adjourn: 6:05 pm

Next meeting date: Tuesday, August 26 at 4:00 pm