

City of Geneva

Strategic Plan Advisory Committee
Geneva City Hall Geneva, IL 60134
Wednesday April 20, 2022, 6:30 pm

1. **Call to order:** Meeting called to order by Acting Chair Frankel at 6:35 P.M.
2. **Roll Call:** Present from SPAC were Mannon, Monaco, Malecki, Kafer, Ellett, Schwab, and McCready. Not present Johnson and Cooper.
3. **Amendments to Agenda:** Addition of Calendar Review to agenda. Motion to move the guest speaker to the front of the line by Frankel 2nd by Monaco. All in favor.

4. Active Transportation Alliance Presentation

a. Walking & Biking in Geneva and Chicagoland by Maggie Czerwinski

i. Agenda

1. Regional Trends

- a. % of people walking, biking, taking public transit has dropped from ~24% in 1980 to ~16% today
- b. Trend moving towards building “complete” streets
- c. Growing interest in bike/pedestrian improvements for many reasons
 - i. Health
 - ii. Climate Change
 - iii. Equity
 - iv. Safety
 - v. Economic Development
 - vi. Quality of Life

2. What affects someone’s decision to walk?

- a. Presence of sidewalks
- b. Trails, paths
- c. Speed of traffic
- d. Ease of crossing intersections
- e. Clear and safe sidewalks

3. What affects someone's decision to bike?
 - a. Presence of trails/paths
 - b. Presence of pavement markings
 - c. Speed of traffic
 - d. Ease of crossing intersections
 - e. Road conditions
4. Bike/Pedestrian Facilities
5. Programs
 - a. National Bike Month is May
 - b. Events/Education Opportunities
 - i. Host a Ride
 - ii. Encourage bike safety
 - iii. Library displays
 - iv. Photo contests
 - v. Bike Bingo
 - vi. Fix-It Events
 - vii. Commuter Challenge (June 6 – 19)
6. Funding Opportunities for Municipalities
7. Resources
 - a. atpolicy.org
 - b. activetrans.org/bikewalkeverytown
 - c. Google Groups:
 - i. Complete Streets Coalition
 - ii. West Suburban Advocate
 - d. [Developing bike and pedestrian plans - Mayors Caucus](#)

5. Approval of Submitted SPAC Reports

- a. Review and approval of Minutes from the month of March 2022. Motion to approve by Malecki, 2nd by Schwab.
- b. Review and approval of Budget from the month of March 2022. Motion to approve by Mannon, 2nd by Monaco. All in favor.

6. Subcommittee Reports

- a. ICEC – No meeting in April.
- b. NRC – Next meeting is May 4th. Looking for more interaction and communication between NRC and SPAC especially with upcoming work on the next strategic plan.
- c. Student Gov't – Kane County Recycling Coordinator presented to the group.
- d. DEI – Report by Kafer. Geneva's Chief of Police discussed hiring policies and spoke about training policies and use of force. DEI will be hosting a listening session for the public on April 27th at 6:30 p.m.

7. Activity Planning & Sub-Committee Assignments

8. Calendar Review

- a. Next SPAC meeting will be May 18, 2022.
- b. Earth Day event at Peck Farm April 23rd

9. New Business and Public Comment

- a. Bill Koehl – Introduction of an initiative of the Kane County League of Women's Voters for a Climate Action Team dedicated to climate change awareness and communicating with city councils and committees in the area.
- b. Bike to Work Day May 20, 2022
- c. Student Government Mock City Council Meeting May 10, 2022

10. Motion to Adjourn – Motion by Ellett. Meeting adjourned at 9:18 p.m.