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BIKE AND PEDESTRIAN AD HOC STEERING COMMITTEE

January 5, 2022 at 6:30 p.m.

City Hall- Training Room

222 Lewis Street River Falls, WI 54022

AGENDA

Please note that due to the ongoing COVID-19 public health situation, this meeting will be held virtually. Due to this deviation, the City Hall Training Room (lower level) will be open to the public with social distancing measures. For your personal safety and the safety of our community, interested persons are invited to watch from their homes in lieu of attending the meeting in person. **PLEASE USE THIS LINK TO WATCH VIRTUALLY: [Click here to join the meeting](#) **

6:30 CALL TO ORDER

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

PUBLIC COMMENTS

ACTION ITEMS

DISCUSSION ITEMS

1. Bike and Pedestrian Plan- Maria Wardoku and Will Curran-Groome with Alta Planning and Design

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NOTE: Any person who has a qualifying disability as defined by the Americans with Disabilities Act that requires the meeting or materials to be in an accessible location or format, may contact City Clerk Amy White at (715) 426-3408 or in person at 222 Lewis Street, for accommodations. Requests for accommodations should be made at least three (3) business days in advance of the meeting. Every effort will be made to arrange accommodations.



**CITY OF RIVER FALLS
BIKE AND PEDESTRIAN
PLAN**

Bike and Ped Committee Meeting

Wednesday, January 5, 2022



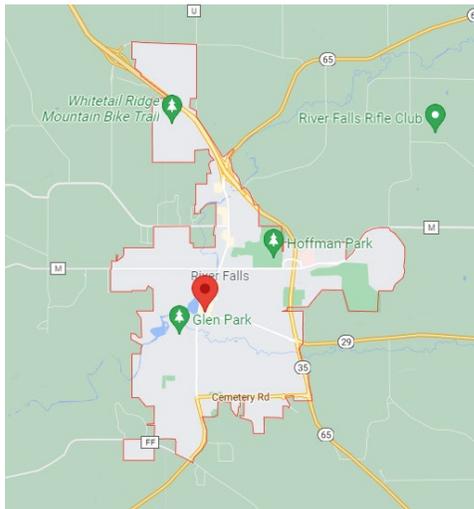
TODAY'S AGENDA

- 1** Creative Ice-Breaker Activity & Introductions
- 2** Introduction to the Planning Process
- 3** Bike and Ped Committee Roles and Expectations
- 4** Brainstorming Session
- 5** Next Steps



CREATIVE ICE-BREAKER & INTRODUCTIONS

Draw a mind map! What does walking and/or biking in River Falls look like through your eyes? What places are significant?



- Name
- Roles you play in River Falls
- Why you became part of this committee
- Describe your mind-map of River Falls



SHARED MEETING AGREEMENT

- If you've spoken once, allow others the chance to speak before you speak again
- This meeting is a starting point; these discussions and work will continue after the meeting
- *Anything else?*

Note: We'll use the term 'walking' to include all the ways that people move themselves through the world, including with mobility devices such as walkers, strollers, and wheelchairs.

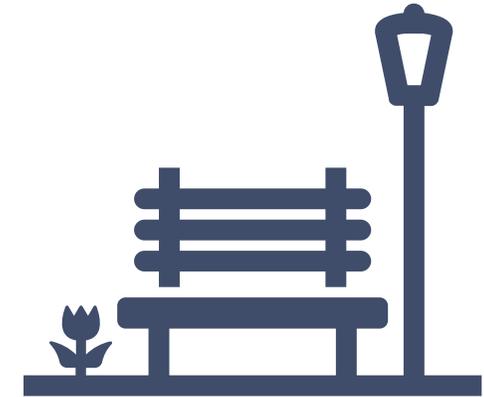
WHAT IS THE PROCESS WE ARE STARTING?



**Comprehensive
Plan**



**Bike and
Pedestrian Plan**



**Park and
Recreation Plan**

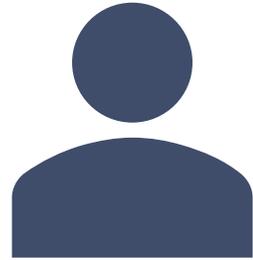
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Introduction to the Planning Process

WHO IS INVOLVED WITH THE PLANNING PROCESS?



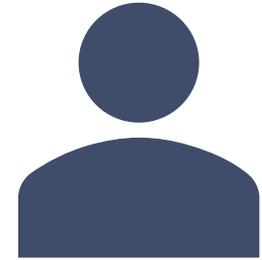
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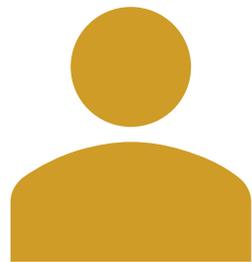
Steering Committee



Bike/Ped Committee



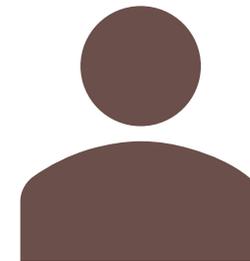
Park Board



Commissions and Councils



City Departments



Consultant Team

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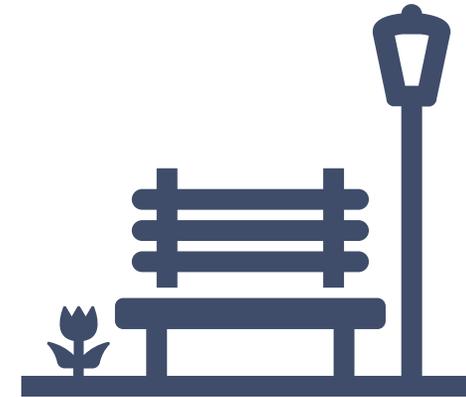
Bike and Ped Committee Roles and Expectations



WHAT IS A COMPREHENSIVE PLAN?

- City's guide to community, physical, social, and economic development
- Creates a 20-year vision for future planning and community decisions
- Wis. State Statutes 66.1001-2
 - Nine required plan elements
 - Update required every 10 years
 - Official mapping, subdivision, and zoning actions must be consistent with the Comprehensive Plan

WHAT ARE THE COMPANION PLANS?



Bike and Pedestrian Plan

Park and Recreation Plan

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WHAT IS THE PARK AND RECREATION PLAN?



Compliance with Wisconsin Department of Natural Resources Requirements

Existing Inventory

Community Input to Define
needs

Needs Assessment

Create a plan specific to River Falls

Maintenance and Operation Cost Savings

Long-Term Recreation Goals

Long-Term System Needs and Recommendations

Connection with the Comprehensive Plan and Bike and
Pedestrian Plan

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WHAT IS THE BIKE AND PEDESTRIAN PLAN?

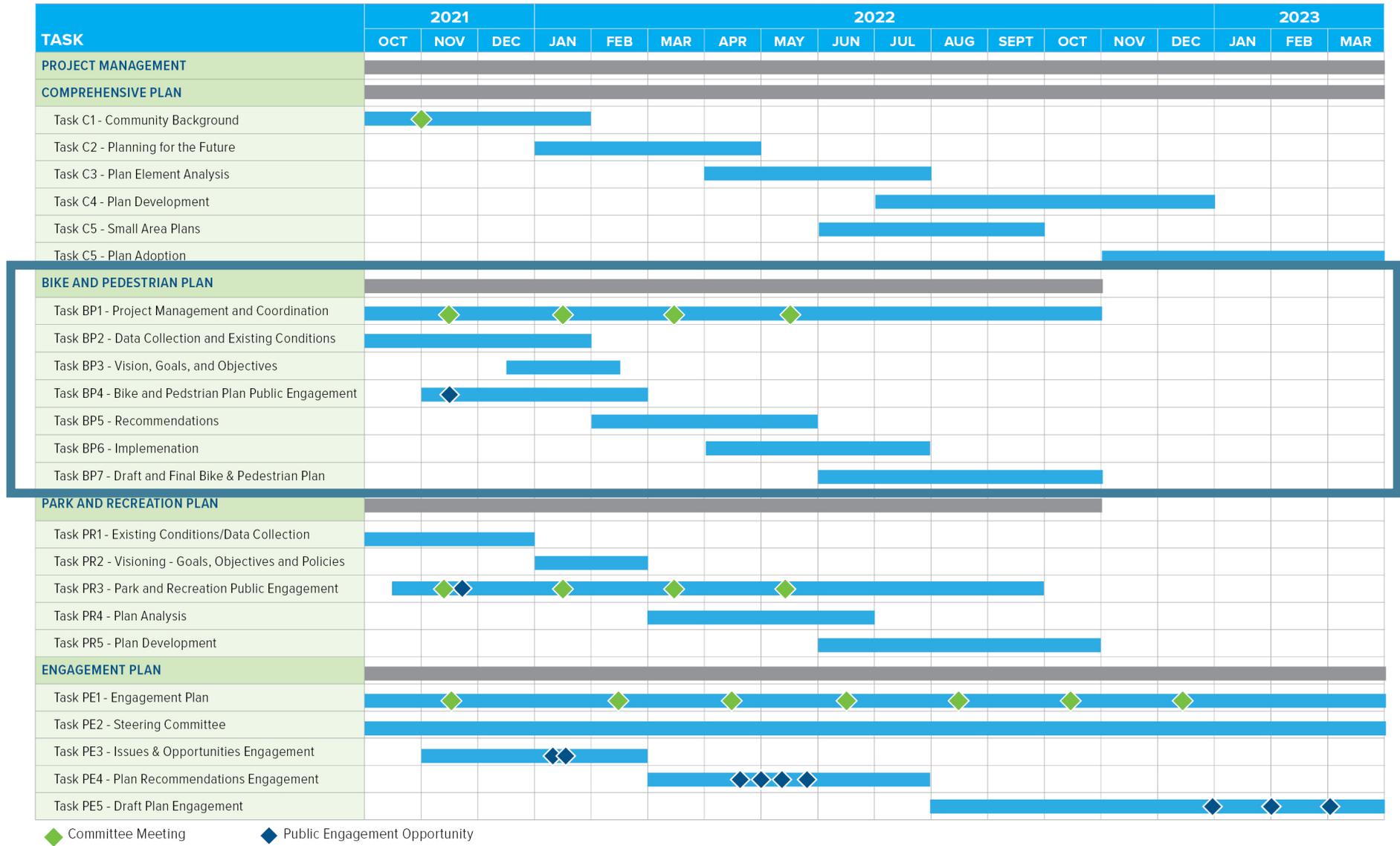
- Update to 1995 River Falls Bicycle and Pedestrian Plan.
- Comprehensive, visionary and action-focus approach to create a more pedestrian and bicycle friendly community.
- Action-oriented recommendations to create a safe, connected, and equitable system.



WHAT WILL THE BIKE AND PEDESTRIAN PLAN INCLUDE?

- Data collection and existing conditions
- Vision, goals, and objectives
- Public engagement
- Network and policy recommendations
- Implementation

TIMELINE



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Introduction to the Planning Process



WHAT IS THE BIKE AND PED COMMITTEE'S ROLE?

- Attend four meetings:
 - Kick-off – Goals and Vision
 - Existing conditions review
 - Recommendation development
 - Plan implementation
- Review plan documents and provide feedback
- Support public outreach by engaging with your network

Discuss: Does this match your expectations?



GOAL/VISION SETTING ACTIVITY

- What is the desired future for walking and biking in River Falls?



BIKE AND WALK TOUR ROUTES

- Suggestions for key spots to visit?
- Destinations people frequently travel between?
- Places you wish you could walk or bike?



WHAT HAPPENS NEXT?

- Data collection and existing conditions
- Plan bike and walk tours
- For any questions or comments, please contact Maria Wardoku at mariawardoku@altago.com or Sam Burns at Sburns@rfcity.org