

WPB Transportation Committee  
Minutes  
October 12, 2017

In attendance: Brent Norsman (Chair), Joe Hall (co-Chair), Lindsay Bailey, Pamela Maass (Managing Director), Michael Ashkenasi (Program Specialist)

1. The committee discussed the Milwaukee Ave pilot project
  - a. The taxi stand has been moved but the taxis seem to be unaware and are still lining up at the Polish Triangle. The point of moving the stand to Ashland was to create a dedicated bus lane on the Milwaukee side of the Triangle, and to make cycling through this space a little safer. However, not much we can do since CDOT doesn't have a real enforcement mechanism, so we will start to send pictures to the 2<sup>nd</sup> Ward office and ask them to get involved in enforcement.
  - b. Planters- the staff has had *another* setback with the permit process and is very frustrated. The Public Way Use (PWU) Unit at BACP/CDOT literally sent the whole permit application back because we had letters of support from the 1<sup>st</sup>/32<sup>nd</sup> wards, but not the aldermen's signatures on the permit application itself. MA is working on getting the signatures and will re-submit the application. Planters will not be installed until the spring anyway at this point.
  
2. The fence on North Ave at Wolcott has been damaged, cost for repair from Why Not Iron is \$1,587.50.

*Motion: to approve funding to repair the planter fence at the northeast corner of North Avenue and Wolcott Ave. in an amount not to exceed \$1,587.50 from line item 2.05 (streetscape elements).*

*JH motions, LB seconds. All in favor.*

3. Bench permits are on hold because our overall acct. with PWU has a hold on it, due to some permit renewals from 2014 for trash & recycling cans that were never received by the city. We have re-submitted the necessary permit renewals and will continue to chase the city to have the holds removed. The other bench permits in the 2<sup>nd</sup> Ward are still pending the alderman's signature, and PM will continue to work on this.
  
4. Blue Lounge Project- Cleanslate is happy to set tables/chairs out for us as part of their regular work schedule (morning/afternoon). MA asked Vanessa Irizarry at CDOT's Make Way for People program to confirm if this is acceptable. We also offered tables/chairs to Katherine Darnstadt again, for Mautene Court.
  
5. Wayfinding – PM brought up wayfinding as an item that was discussed earlier in the year. The committee suggests putting out an RFP for firms that could take care of designing innovative wayfinding icons (kiosks, banners, etc.) for us. MA will work on RFP wording and we will try to find a firm by the end of the year.