



City of Keene
New Hampshire

BICYCLE PEDESTRIAN PATH ADVISORY COMMITTEE
MEETING AGENDA

Wednesday, September 8, 2021 8:15-9:30 AM

2nd floor Conference Room
3 Washington St, City Hall
Also via Zoom Webinar

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Members:

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Brad Dufresne
Councilor Jan Manwaring

Michael Davern
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- 1) Call to Order and Roll Call
- 2) August 11, 2021 Minutes
- 3) Walldogs – Potential for Additional Mural along trails
- 4) Old Business
Wayfinding: UNH Downtown Trails, Needs and Design Surveys MRRTC, MAST Grant
Amenities: Survey, Shade Trees
Sidewalks: Council Proposal
Bike/Pedestrian Counts: EcoCounter Grant
Big E Expo Presence
- 5) Regular Project Updates
- 6) New Business
- Items to be included for next meeting
- 7) Adjournment
Next meeting date – October 13, 2021

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5 **BICYCLE AND PEDESTRIAN PATH ADVISORY COMMITTEE**
6 **MEETING MINUTES**
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Members Present:

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Charles Redfern, Alternate

Staff Present:

William Schoefmann, GIS Technician
Kürt Blomquist, Public Works Director
Andy Bohannon, Parks, Recreation, and
Facilities Director

Members Not Present:

Michael Davern
Councilor Jan Manwaring
Dillon Benik, Chair

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10 **1) Call to Order and Roll Call**

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12 Vice Chair Bryenton called the meeting to order at 8:16 AM. Roll call was conducted. Mr.
13 Schoefmann noted that Dr. Brehme and Mr. Redfern are voting members today.

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15 **2) July 14, 2021 Meeting Minutes**

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17 Mr. Russell noted a change to make to the July 14, 2021 minutes: in the North Bridge Naming
18 section, in the long first paragraph toward the middle, he asked a question about the name of the
19 "South Bridge." The minutes said it was near AUNE, but it should say Keene State College
20 instead.

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22 Mr. Dufresne made a motion to approve the meeting minutes of July 14, 2021. Mr. Redfern
23 seconded the motion, which passed by unanimous vote.

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25 **3) Walldogs – Potential for Additional Mural Along Trails**

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27 Mr. Russell stated that he is a board member at the Cheshire County Historical Society and has
28 been in contact with their staff and with the Walldogs Executive Committee. He continued that
29 Walldogs has about \$7,000 left over from the festival. There are potentially three historic

30 murals. He gave information about the three, stating that one potential is for a mural related to
31 transportation heritage to be on the North Bridge abutments and maybe the ramp. They would
32 have to talk about the three and what the priorities are. There is some money but not enough for
33 all three; there is a need for fundraising. The Historical Society will have an auction in
34 September, and auction items may include board members giving tours for small groups plus a
35 dinner at a restaurant. There could also be fundraising tours for the mural itself, with the same
36 group but with more people. The Walldogs Executive Committee and the Historical Society's
37 board both have meetings next week. He will know more after those.

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39 Mr. Redfern asked if a glaze could be put over a mural to make it vandalism-proof. Mr. Russell
40 replied there is a glaze that protects the paint but nothing can be done to prevent vandalism with
41 a certain kind of paint. He continued that other than a few small exceptions, none of the other
42 murals have been vandalized. Murals tend to keep people from tagging.

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44 **4) Old Business**

45 **A) Wayfinding:** UNH Downtown Trails, Needs and Design Surveys MRRTC,
46 MAST Grant

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48 Mr. Bohannon stated that he met with UNH before his vacation and they sent a one-sheet
49 explanation, per his request. He will send it to Mr. Schoefmann, who will forward it to the
50 BPPAC members. Mr. Bohannon continued that he will be looking to ramp this group up pretty
51 quickly. The project is moving forward. He met with the increased team that UNH will bring,
52 which is exciting. He gave more information about those people and their experience, stating
53 that Shannon Rogers is the project leader. He continued that the one challenge will be that UNH
54 has kind of hampered some of their staff going to meetings and is going back to remote, but they
55 are confident that they will have a great product in the end. He will keep everyone posted.

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57 He continued that at the last meeting Mr. Schoefmann had asked him to talk with the
58 subcommittee about amenities. They said they will be able to combine those two surveys as long
59 as the amenity survey is not like 25 questions. He assured Ms. Rogers it will only be 5 or 8
60 questions. They need the questions, so they can send them to Ms. Rogers can evaluate them and
61 craft them into some of the other language.

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63 Mr. Schoefmann stated that the group that was talking about wayfinding and amenities should
64 set up a meeting in the next week or two. Mr. Bohannon replied yes, and he will be in contact
65 with Mr. Schoefmann about this after this meeting.

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67 Vice Chair Bryenton stated that in the July meeting minutes, Chair Benik asked about the
68 steering committee. He continued that he wanted to know where that formation was. He asked
69 what the "ECC" is. Mr. Schoefmann replied the Energy and Climate Committee. Mr. Bohannon
70 stated that the steering committee is still being formed; they are working on it.

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72 Vice Chair Bryenton asked about the idea of Keene State College (KSC) students helping. Is
73 that still a viable option? Dr. Brehme replied that Sasha Davis is the person to reach out to. Mr.
74 Bohannon stated that maybe he and Dr. Brehme could chat later about that.

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76 Dr. Russell stated that if there is something written already about what they are hoping KSC
77 students could do, someone can send it to him and he will get it to Antioch University of New
78 England (AUNE)'s GIS people.

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80 Dr. Brehme stated that Sasha Davis is actually on sabbatical, so he will rethink who the contact
81 person should be. Brief discussion ensued about KSC faculty and staff. The group decided to
82 have Mr. Schoefmann reach out to Professor Denise Burchsted. Dr. Russell asked to be copied
83 on that email, since what Mr. Schoefmann sends to Denise will be what he needs to send to
84 AUNE.

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86 Vice Chair Bryenton asked if Mr. Schoefmann had anything about the MAST grant. Mr.
87 Schoefmann replied that there were no bids on the construction.

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89 Mr. Blomquist arrived.

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91 Mr. Schoefmann continued that with Walk Your City going belly up and nobody wanting to
92 build the small pieces of infrastructure they are asking for, he has a meeting with Mr. Bohannon
93 and Don Lussier, City Engineer, for the end of this week to discuss the next steps. The grant was
94 awarded last year and has to be spent by the end of this year. He will keep the BPPAC posted on
95 what they think is possible.

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97 A BPPAC member replied that Mr. Schoefmann was going to talk with Gemini. Mr.
98 Schoefmann replied that he does not see that happening without any infrastructure being
99 constructed. After the meeting with Mr. Bohannon and Mr. Lussier they will touch base with the
100 Southwest Regional Planning Commission (SWRPC) and see what they say. Mr. Blomquist
101 added that it was a \$137,000 project that no one bid on; it was not just a project the size of that
102 grant. He continued that he hopes the SWRPC will say "Sure, keep it for re-bid next spring."

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104 **B) Amenities: Survey, Shade Trees**

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106 Mr. Schoefmann replied that he does not have anything on shade trees today, but they should
107 keep it on the agenda as a discussion point. Mr. Horner stated that the action item is to include a
108 question about shade trees on the amenities survey. Mr. Schoefmann asked Mr. Horner to
109 remember that that when they pull the working group together

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111 **C) Sidewalks: Council Proposal**

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113 Mr. Blomquist reported that the Municipal Services, Facilities, and Infrastructure (MSFI)
114 Committee reviewed and is excited about the sidewalk proposal. He continued that staff will

115 propose a program to the MSFI Committee as part of the upcoming FY23-30 CIP. Preliminarily,
116 staff has identified about \$3.4 million worth of work on existing sidewalks. If \$100,000 was put
117 in each year it would take 30 years to get through it; if \$200,000 was put in each year it would
118 take 15 years. They will work with the City Manager to figure out what they think can be
119 tolerated by the community for additional [funds]. He hopes recovery infrastructure funding will
120 help. Currently a lot of money is being identified for water and sewer work; maybe some
121 sidewalk repairs can happen as part of those projects. He concluded that it was a good
122 discussion with the MSFI Committee and the City Council is definitely interested, but at the end
123 of the day, it is about how to fit the jigsaw puzzle together. In addition, it is a 10- or 15-year
124 commitment, which is always a challenge when your bosses have two-year terms.

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126 Mr. Schoefmann stated that he has been working with the Engineering Department. All of the
127 sidewalk infrastructure that is tracked in the work order in the asset management system has a
128 GIS component, and all of the sidewalks have now been tagged with their Complete Streets tag.
129 They have the condition assessments from within the last two years. Now they will do a
130 weighted score.

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132 Mr. Blomquist stated that basically if a sidewalk is within a half mile of a school, recreational
133 activity, or commercial area it gets scored a “5,” and if not, it gets scored a “1.” He continued
134 that there are additional criteria to consider along with the condition, so ideally, this will place a
135 higher priority on sidewalks that are higher in use. They do not have counts, which is why they
136 consider proximity to schools, recreational activities, and commercial areas to determine which
137 sidewalks are “heavily used.” Mr. Schoefmann is helping with that scoring and they will see
138 how that helps the prioritization process. They will present the end results probably in February
139 when the City Council is doing the CIP review. When they talk about priorities, people always
140 ask, “Why there and not here?”, so staff is trying to give quantitative reasons why they are doing
141 this versus that.

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143 Vice Chair Bryenton stated that there are counts at least for West St. He continued that
144 obviously they are really invested in sidewalks in the West St. area. Can they enrich that data?
145 Mr. Schoefmann replied that regarding the metrics that Mr. Blomquist was talking about, like
146 proximity to commercial spaces, there are plazas on one end of West St. and the downtown on
147 the other end, he thinks that area will get some good hits anyway. They will see what they can
148 do to factor in some of those pedestrian counts they have been working so hard on. That will
149 factor in more for whatever input they can have when the State asks about the TIP project for
150 West St.

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152 Mr. Blomquist stated that the majority of the concrete sidewalks are in “C” condition, and most
153 that are in poor condition are asphalt. He continued that the majority of West St. sidewalks are
154 concrete. He is not expecting West St. to be anywhere in the next few years. He suspects that
155 the southeast side of the city is where many of the 40s, 50s, and 60s asphalt sidewalks are.
156 Whenever they re-do West St., the counts will be helpful.

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158 **D) Bike/Pedestrian Counts: EcoCounter Grant**

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160 Mr. Schoefmann stated that Mr. Davern emailed him an update yesterday. He continued that the
161 EcoCounters were received and Mr. Davern installed them with the help of some EcoCounter
162 techs. He gave him (Mr. Schoefmann) access. Other BPPAC members could access this
163 livestream data if they want to, or he (Mr. Schoefmann) can email the BPPAC a weekly report.
164 They have the EcoCounters through approximately October. They are already deployed and
165 counting at Drummer/Green Acres Roads access/trailhead and Timberlane Drive gate
166 access/trailhead at Old Gilsum Road.

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168 Vice Chair Bryenton stated that he saw an SWRPC counter up on the rail trail by Hurricane Rd.
169 He also asked Mr. Horner if SWRPC can tabulate that data in a digestible way, because it would
170 be interesting to have that as a baseline to compare the EcoCounter data with. Mr. Horner
171 replied they are in the process of consolidating all of the bike/ped data, and yes, that is the goal,
172 to have it in one place so they can see over time how counts have changed. Once they have that
173 information pulled together, he does not see an issue with sharing that with the BPPAC.

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175 Mr. Schoefmann stated that two EcoCounters are installed in the Drummer Hill mountain bike
176 area, and Mr. Davern will move them every two weeks or so to a different location to see what
177 data they can get in two-week count periods. He will let Mr. Davern spearhead this. Brief
178 discussion continued.

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180 Dr. Brehme stated that he is thinking back to the “Strava” user data. He asked Mr. Schoefmann
181 if there is anything he can say about that. Mr. Schoefmann replied that even the people who are
182 big proponents of it used it as sort of a “litmus test” and they compared it with many other
183 factors, like level of stress analysis done for many major cities. He had an intern fill out that
184 information a long time ago and it was sucked into the black hole of research that happened. It is
185 data they could use, but it is just a cross-section of users. They take it at face value for what it is
186 worth.

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188 Mr. Redfern asked Mr. Horner if he has a timeline for when the data from SWRPC, regarding the
189 counts, might be available to the BPPAC. Mr. Horner replied no, because it is somewhat
190 dependent on intern labor, which is in short supply right now. He has some counts put together
191 that he could maybe share as they are available, instead of waiting for it all to be done. Mr.
192 Redfern replied that would be great.

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194 **E) Big E Expo Presence**

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196 Mr. Redfern stated that in July the Granite State Ambassadors emailed to say they were ready to
197 take names of groups that were going to be at the Big E from September 17 to (October) 3. He
198 continued that one person from the 12-person group of volunteers responded. He will take on
199 September 28, 29, and 30. About a million people are expected to come through the gates.
200 Many people from the group dropped out due to COVID-19 concerns. They do not know what

201 will be happening with the pandemic in late September. He personally is willing to work a shift
202 during those dates and he welcomes help if anyone else is able. He will forward the information
203 about the shifts to Mr. Schoefmann to send to the BPPAC members. He shared a few details
204 about the variety of shift lengths and the benefits one receives with certain shifts. He continued
205 that the benefit to the BPPAC is to pass out rail trail information, both statewide and for the City
206 of Keene. He has 5,000 rack cards printed of the Keene trail system, to be distributed. It is to
207 promote use and awareness of “the best rail trail pathways in NH,” where the trails converge in
208 Keene.

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210 **5) Regular Project Updates**

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212 Mr. Schoefmann stated that he does not have any new updates that have not already been shared.
213 He asked Mr. Blomquist when striping is due for Park Ave. Mr. Blomquist replied that it is tied
214 into the Cheshire Rail Trail Phase III project, which is tied up in the Railroad Bureau. Any time
215 they do a project on a State facility they have to sign a Memorandum of Understanding (MOU)
216 with the State’s Trails Bureau, which gives the City permission to do construction and turns over
217 the maintenance and use to the City. They have about a half dozen of those MOUs, through the
218 various projects they have done. The MOUs used to be 5-year agreements, theoretically renewed
219 every 5 years. The State has never renewed them, so theoretically, Keene should have stopped
220 using the trail systems, but people just continue, because they figure that unless either party says
221 “stop,” they will assume everyone is going by the original MOUs. The Railroad Bureau’s idea
222 was to consolidate all of those MOUs into one, with automatic renewal, which the City thought
223 was great. However, the Railroad Bureau also wanted to give the City the trails the City has not
224 done any work on yet, and the South Bridge. The City’s lawyer and insurance company are
225 asking why, because that is a liability they have not earned yet. It makes perfect sense for the
226 City to be liable after they do construction, but why would the City want to be liable for unbuilt
227 sections of trails owned by the State? The City is pushing back, and they are still going back and
228 forth about it. Thus, until they get agreement completed, they cannot award the Cheshire Rail
229 Trail Phase III project.

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231 Mr. Redfern asked if constituents can contact their District 10 Senator and make them aware of
232 this problem/hang-up. Mr. Blomquist replied that he cannot stop anyone from contacting their
233 Senator, but he does not know what the politics of this are. Brief discussion continued. Mr.
234 Blomquist stated that he cannot say yes or no; he is just sharing this information about why they
235 are stuck right now.

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237 Mr. Redfern stated that last he heard of this project, it came out over budget and they were
238 resubmitting bids. He asked if it is correct that those came back favorable, and if the only hold-
239 up now is this issue with the State. Mr. Blomquist replied yes, as soon as this is resolved the
240 City can award the contract and they can do something this year.

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242 Vice Chair Bryenton asked if Mr. Schoefmann had any other project updates. Mr. Schoefmann
243 replied no. Vice Chair Bryenton asked if anyone else had anything to add. Hearing none, he
244 moved to the next agenda item.

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246 **6) New Business – Items to be Included for Next Meeting**

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248 Mr. Schoefmann stated that he thinks next month's agenda can be similar to this month's. He
249 continued that there will probably be an update after the next City Council meeting regarding the
250 naming of the "North Bridge." He has to look at the meeting minutes to see if that topic was sent
251 to a City Council committee. He will keep the BPPAC updated. Mr. Blomquist stated that he
252 thinks the MSFI Committee will end up with this topic.

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254 Mr. Russell stated that he will have an update on the mural at the next meeting.

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256 Vice Chair Bryenton stated that he saw something about a member of the public asking how to
257 help. Mr. Schoefmann replied yes, a member of the public wants to somehow volunteer for trail
258 maintenance, such as brush clearing and trimming. He continued that he knows staff has not
259 typically done this in the past, but it might be a good outreach opportunity and something for a
260 subsection of the committee to help coordinate under some parameters Mr. Blomquist and Mr.
261 Bohannon could provide.

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263 Mr. Bohannon replied that he has worked with groups, which works well - typically four times a
264 year a group goes out to do maintenance. However, if it were just an individual, the individual
265 would have his (Mr. Bohannon's) time and be working directly with him, and that capacity is nil
266 and void. He wishes not to do this. It is too time-consuming for him to work with individuals on
267 this sort of thing.

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269 Mr. Blomquist replied that he agrees with Mr. Bohannon that there is a difference. He continued
270 that it would be much easier to coordinate with an individual who wants to do trash clean up, but
271 brush-cutting and tree-clearing is different. Different users have different opinions on the
272 appropriate amount and method of clearing – some users say a trail is, for instance, "too dark and
273 scary," whereas others choose to walk trails because they like the overhanging trees and they like
274 the feeling of being in the woods. He does not think one individual's opinion for how they want
275 to do clearing would work out.

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277 Mr. Schoefmann stated that the feedback from the public sessions regarding the Ammi Brown
278 Rd. was indicative of what [Mr. Blomquist is saying]. Mr. Blomquist replied that it was similar
279 with Eastern Ave. and Water St. Discussion continued. Someone suggested directing the
280 interested individuals to the groups that already do organized work, such as the Monadnock
281 Conservancy or the snowmobile clubs. Those cover a good amount of any of the trails that
282 would need work. Mr. Schoefmann stated that there may be an opportunity to have people who
283 are already doing something like trash clean up to fill out a form noting anything that they think
284 needs maintenance, such as a tree that fell down. Mr. Blomquist replied that people can take a

285 photo of something and send it to him or Mr. Bohannon. Discussion continued. Mr. Blomquist
286 stated that the Public Works Department's webpage has a way to contact the department about
287 maintenance issues. Someone else suggested sharing contact information on the trails' kiosks.
288 Can someone draft a flyer? Mr. Bohannon replied that his department has an in-house graphic
289 designer who can do this.

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291 Vice Chair Bryenton asked if Mr. Schoefmann will follow-up with the member of the public who
292 asked the question about volunteering to do maintenance. Mr. Schoefmann replied yes.

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294 Vice Chair Bryenton asked if anyone else had more to add to next month's agenda. Hearing no
295 response, Vice Chair Bryenton adjourned the meeting at 9:09 AM.

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297 Respectfully submitted by,
298 Britta Reida, Minute Taker

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300 Reviewed and edited by,
301 Will Schoefmann, Community Development Staff

Project	PRIORITY	Master Plan Project #	Status	Budget *		Schedule			Updates (status changes and project notes)
				Cost	Status	Start	Finish	Status	
Master Plan	N/A	N/A	Delayed	City Staff \$5K	N/A	Spring14	Fall 2021	Behind	Introduction and Background available for BPPAC Review, Trail Specific Maps and details regarding North Bridge inserted. Developing a scope of work and seeking funding to work with Southwest Regional Planning Commission to finish work on the plan in 2021
Jonathan Daniels Trail Maintenance	N/A	P3	Planning	\$25K	Even	Summer20	Fall 21	N/A	\$25k set aside in CIP FY' 21. 1000 Feet of trail improved with PFK Donation (Storm Damage?)
Bike Racks	AMENITIES	P21	Working	N/A	N/A	ongoing	N/A	N/A	Bike racks have been set out in the downtown footprint but may need adjusting once outdoor patio applications are processed. Brewbakers/Tera Nova rack request addressed.
Lighting	AMENITIES	P22	Completed	City Staff, PFK	Even	complete	N/A	On Schedule	Appel Way lights installed. Lighting program on hold pending Amenities Survey results and further observation of product.
Cheshire Rail Trail - Park Ave. Loop	N/A	N/A	Working	\$411,615.51	Over	Spring19	Fall 21	Behind	Engineering division of DPW is managing this project now. Engineering Bids received all over budget again. City Council Resolution to expend \$20k difference referred to FOP Thur. 5/13. Park Ave repaving commenced as separate project. Project being held up by Bureau of Rail and blanket COI use terms.
NHDOT TAP Grant 2018	N/A	BE22	Submitted	\$674K	N/A	Winter 2018	Summer 19	On Schedule	City of Keene has been selected as a TAP grant recipient for Complete Street improvements to Marlboro Street that tie into other planned improvements, infrastructure, economic development goals and the Cheshire Rail Trail. Project is earmarked for funding as part of the new Federal Infrastructure Bill for NH
Arts and Culture Corridor	NA	N/A	Planning	N/A	N/A	Planning	N/A	N/A	Monadnock Economic Development Corporation has begun the community input/visioning process for an Arts and Culture Corridor from the Railroad Land Development Area on the east side of Main Street westerly down Gilbo Avenue to School Street. Project stalled - per Keene Sentinel article, alternative plans in works.
Bicycle Mayor	N/A	N/A	Working	Safe Routes to School	Even	Winter 2018	Fall 2019	On Schedule	Project is inactive, program has material that could be incorporated in current websites of the City but outreach must occur to Tiffany Mannion for access to the safe routes to school material.

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MASTER PLAN PROJECTS									
Wayfinding Signage Facilities and Plan	TOP 5	P11	Working	City Staff, \$42,000	N/A	Planning	N/A	On Schedule	BPPAC Considering overall wayfinding plan with Parks/Rec, DPW and Comm Dev Departments. Complete Street Grant Awarded; Pilot Program being funded with temporary signage Walk Your City appears to be no more, alternative plans needed with MAST Complete Street Grant funds for 2020. Survey to targets user groups on wayfinding signage. Work group report in packet. Regional sign design pilot through MRRTC.
Transportation Heritage Trail									
Old Stone Arch Bridge - Transportation Heritage Trail	TOP 5	P4	Planning		N/A	2025	N/A	N/A	Collaboration with Heritage Commission to conduct research and assist with Historic Resources LCHIP application for railing/abutment design. PFK funding conceptual visuals. LCHIP grant planned for 2022 to fund Planning Study phase. Promotional website and video released with funding donation from PFK.
Cheshire Rail Trail Phase 4 - CRT Eastern Ave to NH 101 Transportation Heritage Trail	TOP 5	P1	Planning	\$ 587,000.00	Even	2026	N/A	N/A	Project submitted as a supplemental CIP - unfunded but in the plan book. Project includes from Eastern Ave - 101, Bridge to Span 101, improvements to Old Stone Arch Bridge and potential crossing at Swanzy Factor Rd. Notice of Award for TAP project recieved 9/1.
Prowse Bridge - CRT NH 101 Overpass to Stone Arch Bridge Transportation Heritage Trail	TOP 5	P4	Planning	\$ 1,470,000.00	N/A	2027	N/A	N/A	Installation of the Historic Prowse Bridge at NH Route 101 and connecting the Cheshire Rail Trail to the Old Stone Arch Bridge and safety improvements (railings) to Old Stone Arch Bridge. Promotional website and video released with funding donation from PFK.
West Street - Complete Street	TOP 5	P19	Planning	City Staff Unknown	N/A	Planning	N/A	N/A	Designated as a Gateway Street in the Complete Street Design Guide. BPPAC discussing interim and long range solutions for bike/ped facilities along the corridor. Spring, Summer and Fall Counts completed for 2020. City submitted West Street improvement project into the DOT 10 Year Plan.
AMENITIES	TOP 5	P21	Working	City Staff, Facility and Maintenance Costs	Under	Planning	N/A	On Schedule	Staff should establish a base line of existing amenities and propose types and locations of future amenities in a plan. These should include Kiosk/Trailhead facilities, Trailside Facilities such as bathrooms, potable water and tune up stations and efforts should be made to engage the artist community to create spots along the trails for public art which will enhance the unique qualities of our system. BPPAC/Staff to draft public survey, draft questions in Google doc linked via email. Work group report in packet.

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Wayfinding Signage Facilities and Plan	TOP 5	P11	Working	City Staff, \$42,000	N/A	Planning	N/A	On Schedule	BPPAC Considering overall wayfinding plan with Parks/Rec, DPW and Comm Dev Departments. Complete Street Grant Awarded; Pilot Program being funded with temporary signage Walk Your City appears to be no more, alternative plans needed with MAST Complete Street Grant funds for 2020. Survey to targets user groups on wayfinding signage. Work group report in packet. Regional sign design pilot through MRRTC.

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↓Transportation Heritage Trail ↓									
Old Stone Arch Bridge - Transportation Heritage Trail	TOP 5	P4	Planning		N/A	2025	N/A	N/A	Collaboration with Heritage Commission to conduct research and assist with Historic Resources LCHIP application for railing/abutment design. PFK funding conceptual visuals. LCHIP grant planned for 2022 to fund Planning Study phase
Cheshire Rail Trail Phase 4 - CRT Eastern Ave to NH 101 Transportation Heritage Trail	TOP 5	P1	Planning	\$ 587,000.00	Even	2026	N/A	N/A	Project submitted as a supplemental CIP - unfunded but in the plan book. Project includes from Eastern Ave - 101, Bridge to Span 101, improvements to Old Stone Arch Bridge and potential crossing at Swanzey Factor Rd. Letter of Intent submitted to NHDOT for 2021 TAP round. Application submitted.
Prowse Bridge - CRT NH 101 Overpass to Stone Arch Bridge Transportation Heritage Trail	TOP 5	P4	Planning	\$ 1,470,000.00	N/A	2027	N/A	N/A	Installation of the Historic Prowse Bridge at NH Route 101 and connecting the Cheshire Rail Trail to the Old Stone Arch Bridge and safety improvements (railings) to Old Stone Arch Bridge
West Street - Complete Street	TOP 5	P19	Planning	City Staff Unknown	N/A	Planning	N/A	N/A	Designated as a Gateway Street in the Complete Street Design Guide. BPPAC discussing interim and long range solutions for bike/ped facilities along the corridor. Spring, Summer and Fall Counts completed for 2020. City submitted West Street improvement project into the DOT 10 Year Plan.
AMENITIES	TOP 5	P21	Working	City Staff, Facility and Maintenance Costs	Under	Planning	N/A	On Schedule	Staff should establish a base line of existing amenities and propose types and locations of future amenities in a plan. These should include Kiosk/Trailhead facilities, Trailside Facilities such as bathrooms, potable water and tune up stations and efforts should be made to engage the artist community to create spots along the trails for public art which will enhance the unique qualities of our system. BPPAC/Staff to draft public survey, draft questions in Google doc linked via email. Work group report in packet.



Drummer Hill/Goose Pond Aug/Sept

William Schoefmann
09/02/2021

Key Figures

January 1, 2021 → September 1, 2021

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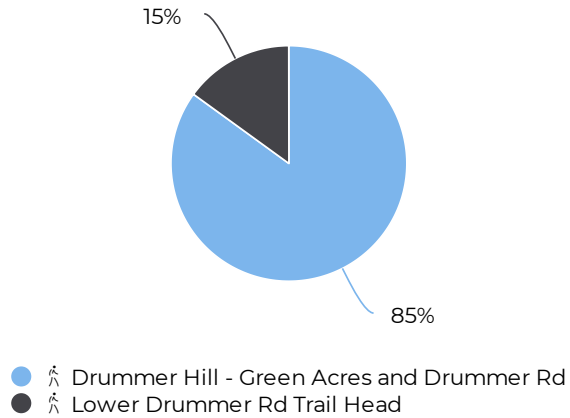
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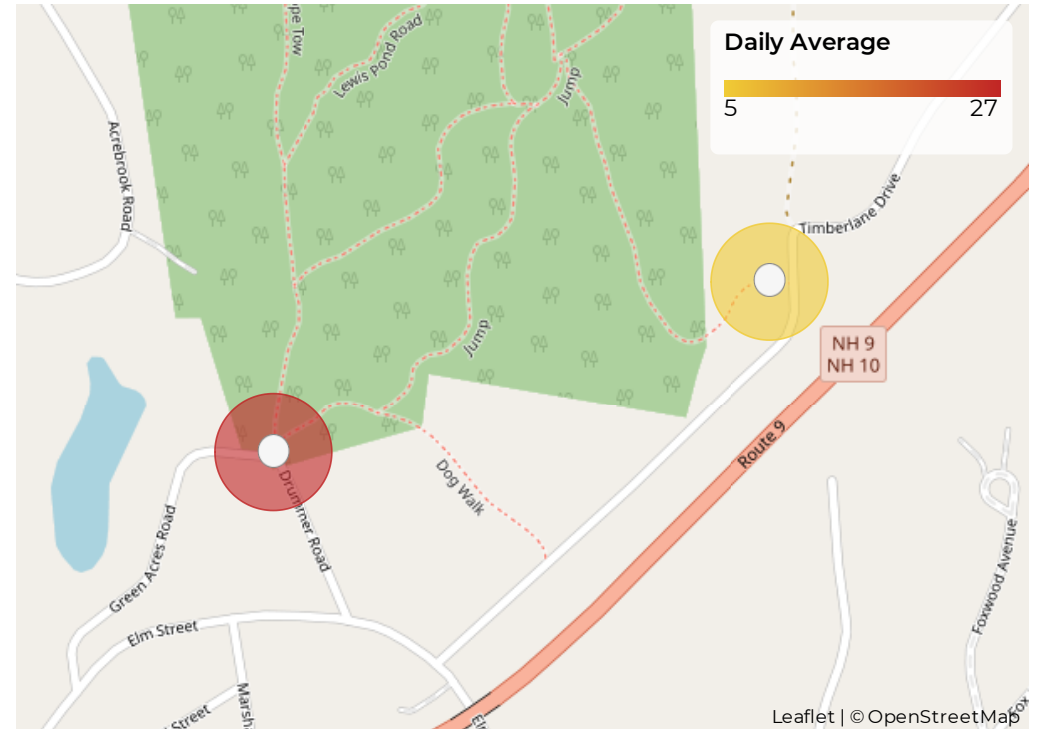
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Distribution



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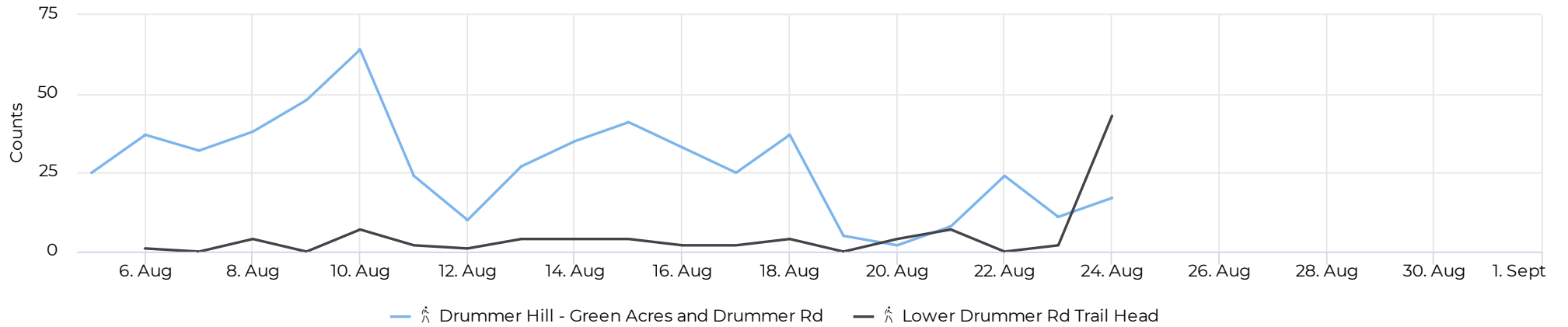


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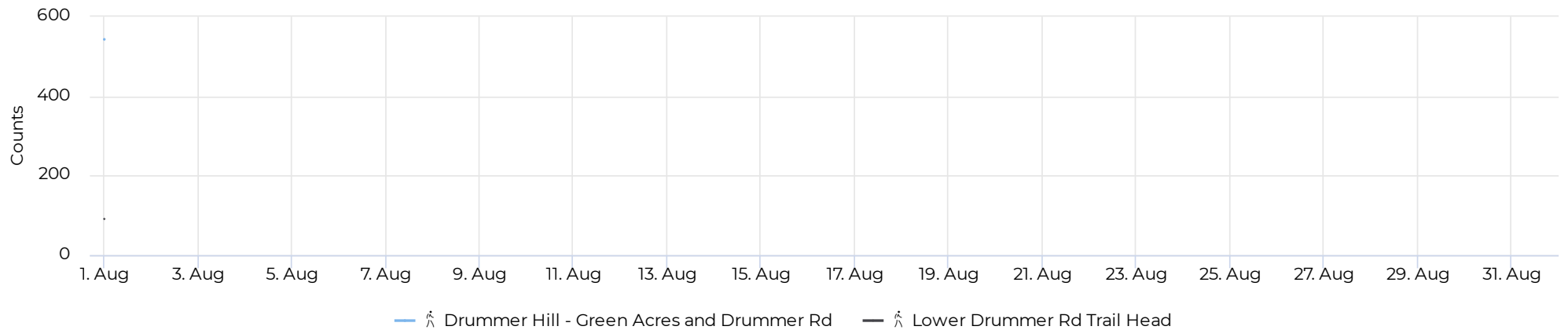
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Time Series

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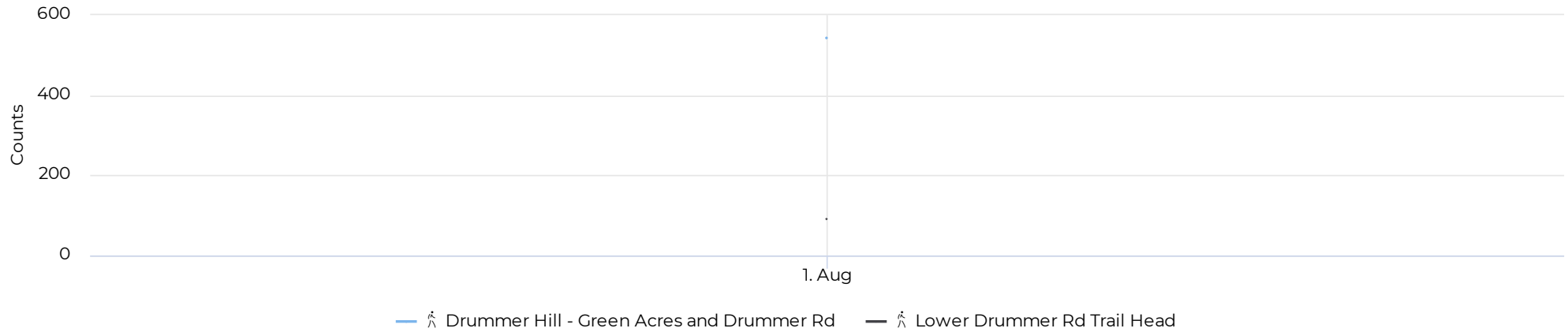


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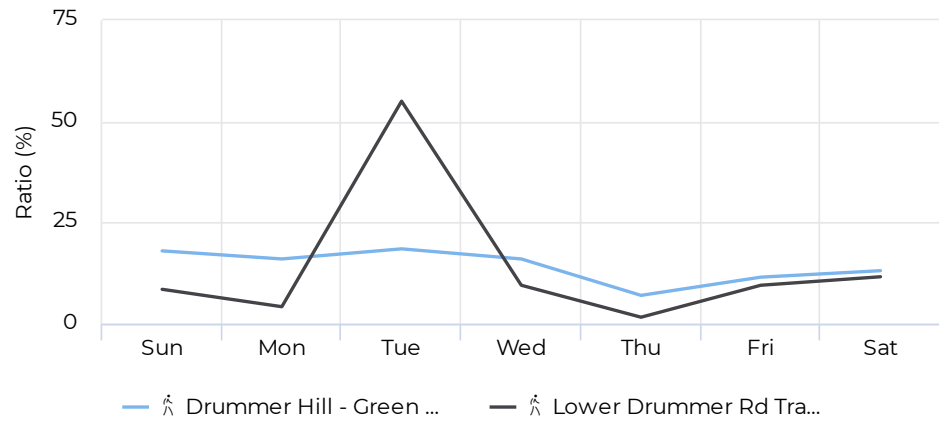
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Time Series

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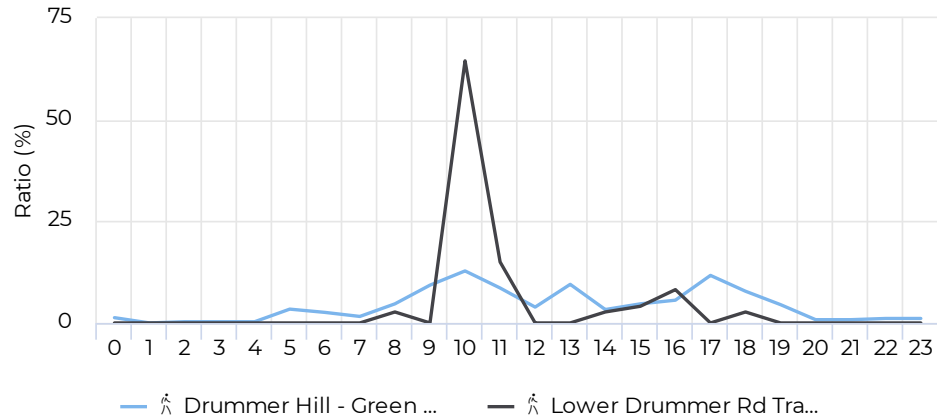


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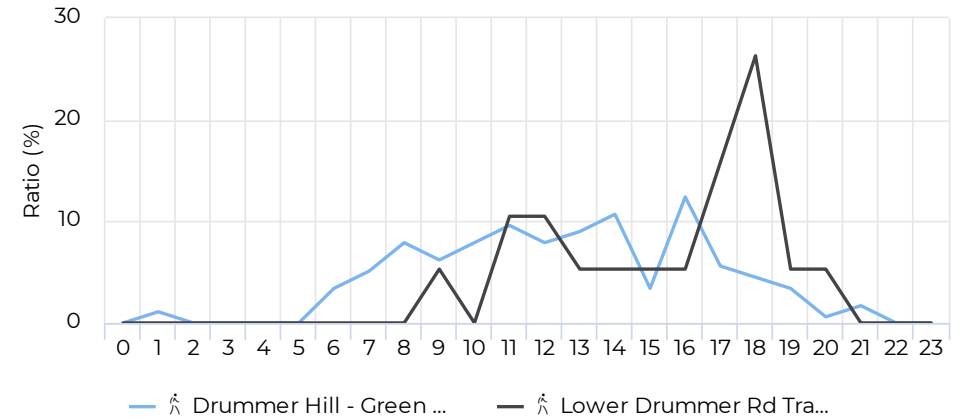
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Hourly Profile - Weekend

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Key Figures

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Key Figures Summary

Site	Average	Peak Count	Peak Period
Drummer Hill - Green Acres and Drummer Rd	27	64	Tue Aug 10, 2021
Lower Drummer Rd Trail Head	5	43	Tue Aug 24, 2021

📈 Compared to 01/03/2020 → 09/02/2020



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September 1, 2021

Mr Don Lussier, P.E.
City of Keene
350 Marlboro Street
Keene NH 03431

Subject: Transportation Alternatives Program Round 4 application

Project Description:

Const. 4,100 LF of rail trail from Eastman Avenue to the Northern side of NH Route 101.

Dear Mr Lussier, P.E.:

Congratulations, Keene Transportation Alternatives Program (TAP) application #21-19TAP had a ranking of 12 out of 34 and has been recommended to the Governor's Advisory Commission on Intermodal Transportation (GACIT) for funding at their September 1, 2021 meeting. All project recommendations will also be included in the Draft Plan that will be released in September, and through adoption of the Ten Year Plan GACIT, then actions by the Governor and Legislature, TAP recommendations will become final. Final approval is anticipated in June 2022.

Until formally approved, the list of projects recommended for funding may be changed by GACIT, the Governor and/or the Legislature. The Department will begin sending out Municipal Agreements to municipalities awarded funding after the final approval by the NH Legislature in the summer of 2022. Funding for projects that are approved and part of the 2023-2032 State of NH Ten Year Plan will be available starting in October, 2022 (Federal Fiscal Year 2023).

If funded, the project limit at the Route 101 end will need to be discussed. A project can't dead end. The path will have connections to Marlboro Street, and Chapman Road, which would be a suitable ending for the project. The Section that continues to Route 101 and the Scenic Overlook may not be eligible for TAP funding.

If you have any questions about the TYP process, please don't hesitate to call or email me.

Sincerely,

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