

POLICY COMMITTEE
ROCKFORD AREA TRANSPORTATION STUDY

RESOLUTION 91-10

RE: AMENDMENT TO THE RATS REGIONAL BIKEWAY PLAN

WHEREAS the Rockford Area Transportation Study is the Metropolitan Planning Organization for the Rockford Urbanized Area, and the Policy Committee has the specific responsibility to direct and administer the continuing transportation process; and

WHEREAS the Policy Committee adopted Resolution 81-18 which resolved that a bikeway arterial system should be planned and adopted by the Rockford Area Transportation Study in cooperation with the Rockford-Winnebago County Planning Commission, the City of Rockford, the City of Loves Park, the Village of Machesney Park, the County of Winnebago, the Rockford Park District and the Winnebago County Forest Preserve District; and

WHEREAS the Policy Committee adopted Resolution 84-4 which resolved that the Rockford Area Transportation Study encourage all governmental boards concerned with bicycling, including the Village of Machesney Park, the Rockford Park District, the Winnebago County Forest Preserve District, Illinois Department of Transportation and the Illinois Department of Conservation to adopt a similar bikeway plan network; and

WHEREAS the Policy Committee adopted Resolution 86-7 which resolved that the Rockford Area Transportation Study continue to coordinate the planning process to further refine the RATS Region Bikeway Plan with all public and/or private agencies and to have all governmental agencies further refine their transportation and land use plans to implement a safe and efficient transportation environment for both motorists and bicyclists; and

WHEREAS the Perryville Road Path System Planning Committee, which includes members of the RATS Bikeway Committee, has prepared an alternative system of bikeways in the eastern corridor of the Rockford Urbanized Area (attachment A); and

WHEREAS the Perryville Road Path System Planning Committee involves both public and private agencies; and

WHEREAS the Perryville Road Path System refines both the transportation plan and land use plan in the eastern corridor to reflect the efforts of the Planning Committee; and

WHEREAS the plan amendment will require a more detailed financial cost analysis and feasibility studies to determine that some of the segments shown in Attachment A are physically feasible to construct; and

WHEREAS the RATS Technical Committee has reviewed the proposed alternative in the eastern corridor and has determined that the alternative provides a level of service greater and safer than what is described in the RATS Regional Plan of August 1985; NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT


RESOLVED that the RATS Regional Bikeway Plan Amendment, as prepared by the Perryville Road Path System Planning Committee, be adopted by the Rockford Area Transportation Study Policy Committee; AND BE IT FURTHER

RESOLVED that the facilities and segments listed and shown in Attachment A are only intended for general planning purposes and that the RATS Policy Committee has determined that these segments may be cost prohibitive and physically restrictive to construct at this time; AND BE IT FURTHER

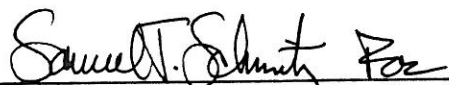
RESOLVED that the RATS Policy Committee instructs the RATS planning staff to prepare a segment-by-segment description of the facilities shown in Attachment A, and authorizes the RATS Bikeway Subcommittee to continue to work and coordinate with other private and/or public groups to further facilitate all plan refinements; AND BE IT FURTHER

RESOLVED that the Rockford Area Transportation Study continues to encourage all governmental boards to further refine their transportation and land use plans to incorporate and implement a safe and efficient transportation environment for both motorists, bicyclists and pedestrians.


Dated this twenty-seventh day of November, 1991.



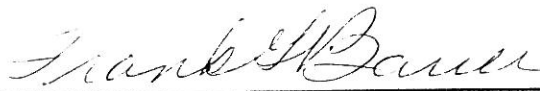
Joseph F. Sinkiawic, Chairman - RATS Policy Committee
Mayor, City of Loves Park



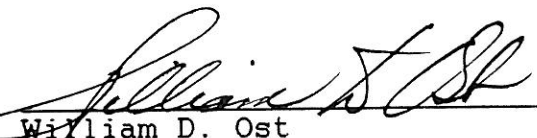
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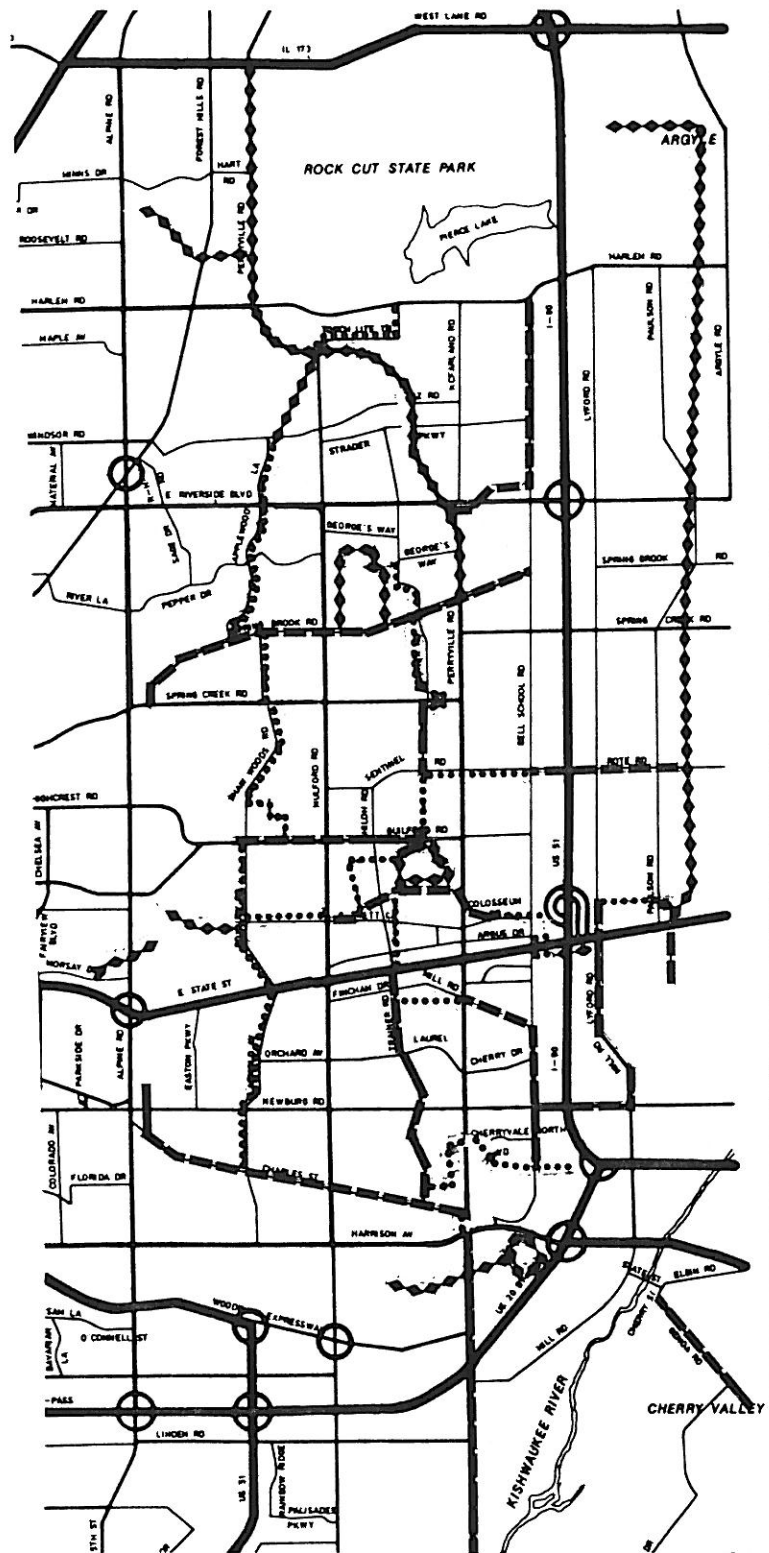
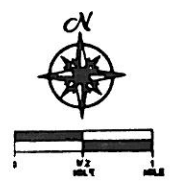
Frank G. Bauer, Village President,
Village of Machesney Park



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PERRYVILLE PATH SYSTEM

CLASS I
PAVED SHOULDER
ON STREET



ROCKFORD AREA TRANSPORTATION STUDY
ULTIMATE FUNCTIONAL CLASSIFICATION SYSTEM

URBAN AREA

PRINCIPAL ARTERIAL		MINOR ARTERIAL	
OTHER PRINCIPAL ARTERIAL		COLLECTOR	