

PUBLIC INFORMATION OPEN HOUSE

ROCKFORD METROPOLITAN AGENCY FOR PLANNING (RMAP)

BICYCLE & PEDESTRIAN PLAN

A public informational open house will be held at three locations to kick-off the <u>Bicycle & Pedestrian Plan update for</u> the Rockford Metropolitan Agency for Planning (RMAP). The purpose of the plan is to provide a regional vision for a comprehensive infrastructure system that will support and encourage walking and bicycling throughout the Rockford Metropolitan Planning Area (MPA). The plan will provide a framework for improving connectivity, safety, convenience, and attractiveness of bicycle and pedestrian networks. The public is invited to contribute their opinions on current and future pedestrian and bicycle facilities within the Rockford MPA. The current Bicycle & Pedestrian Plan was completed and adopted in 2008. Information regarding the current plan is available on the RMAP website www.rmapil.org.

Local, state and federal governments have the responsibility for constructing, operating and maintaining most of the transportation systems in the Rockford Metropolitan Planning Area. The Bicycle and Pedestrian Plan will align with RMAP's Transportation for Tomorrow (2040): Long Range Transportation Plan for the Rockford Region (LRTP). The LRTP was developed in the interest of promoting, developing and maintaining a safe and efficient transportation system that will meet the needs of the area's citizens, businesses and industries through the Year 2040. Providing for pedestrian and bicycle systems is an important part of the transportation planning process.

The overall goal of the plan is to promote a safe and efficient transportation system for people that provides a balanced multi-modal system that minimizes costs and impacts to the taxpayer, society and the environment. The plan will address the development of a region-wide system of on-street bicycle and pedestrian facilities to connect with existing shared use path facilities, existing and planned public transportation services and provide model development regulations and ordinances to promote and encourage bicycle and pedestrian friendly growth in the RMAP area.

The format of these open houses allows for an informal discussion between the public and RMAP staff. The times are indicated below.

DATES

Jun 1, 2016 – Wednesday 3:00 PM to 6:00 PM Regional Center for Planning & Design 315 N. Main Street Rockford, IL 61101 Jun 8, 2016 - Wednesday 3:00 PM to 6:00 PM Belvidere City Hall 401 Whitney Blvd Belvidere, IL 61008 Jun 9, 2016 - Thursday 2:00 PM to 5:00 PM Loves Park City Hall 100 Heart Blvd Loves Park, IL 61111

PURPOSE:

View Graphic Displays, Discuss Study Goals and Objectives, Ask Questions and Obtain Public Comments and Input

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