Complete Streets Committee

Friday, February 20, 2026

5th Floor Study- 602 S Main St. Joplin, MO 64801

The meeting of the Complete Streets Committee was called to order at 1:30 pm, 5th floor study at 602 S Main Street, Joplin, Missouri, 64801.

The following were present for the meeting:

Robert Lolley- City of Joplin

Amanda Calderon-Kidston- Bike, Walk, Joplin

Anthony Monteleone- Bike, Walk, Joplin

Troy Bolander- City of Joplin

Paul Teverow- Joplin Trails Coalition

Travis Wait- Joplin R-VIII Schools

Cynthia Torres- Bike, Walk, Joplin

Alex Onelio- Bike, Walk, Joplin

Johan Bullington- City of Joplin

Tyler Bellairs- City of Joplin

Luke Wood- City of Joplin Intern

Dakota Rusk- City of Joplin

Gina Thompson- City of Joplin

1. Call to Order and Member Introductions

Robert Lolley Called the February 20, 2026, Complete Streets Committee to order. Those in attendance introduced themselves.

2. APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

ANTHONY MONTELEONE MADE A MOTION TO APPROVE THE MEETING MINUTES OF THE COMPLETE STREETS COMMITTEE FOR NOVEMBER 20, 2025. TYLER BELLAIRS SECONDED THIS MOTION. MOTION CARRIED. (13 IN FAVOR, 0 AGAINST)

3. DISCUSION: BIKE & PEDESTRIAN PLAN, COMPLETE STREETS CONSTRUCTION STANDARDS MANUAL, AND ACTIVE TRANPORTATION NETWORK MONITORING PLAN:

Robert Lolley, City of Joplin, provided an overview of RFP's for the Bike and Pedestrian Plan. The plan will help developers with bicycle and pedestrian accommodations in future projects. Robert went on to state that city staff could go to committee member meetings to promote the Bike and Pedestrian Plan.

4. EAST TOWN BICYCLE BOULEVARD AND MURPHY BOULEVARD TRAIL PROJECT UPDATES:

Robert Lolley, City of Joplin, spoke about the East Town Bicycle Boulevard Trail. He stated that these accommodations will be along low-volume streets. In addition, these will connect the Landreth Park Trail and the Frisco Greenway Trail. Robert went on to describe the design and safety issues along nearby St. Louis Avenue.

Robert made an announcement that the city has three e-bikes that will be used for planning bicycle infrastructure projects and post construction project assessments. This will help identify what went well and what needs to be improved in future projects.

Paul Teverow, Joplin Trails Coalition, asked for an update for the area along Division Street.

Dakota Rusk, City of Joplin, said that the city is working to get a permit from the railroad company in order to proceed with a storm water project. Once the permit has been issued work will include crossing accommodations.

Troy Bolander, City of Joplin, spoke on the e-bikes. He indicated that if there is a place that we need to go for a site visit city staff will be able to utilize the bikes.

Robert Lolley, City of Joplin, briefly spoke that bike lanes along Broadway Steet are very rough at the railroad crossing. Improvements will need to be made at this location during the city's Downtown Loop project.

5. Member Updates:

Amanda Calderon-Kidston, Bike, Walk Joplin, spoke on the group bike ride scheduled for Friday, February 27, 2026. Arrival time will be 6:00 p.m. with a departure time of 6:15 p.m. The Tour D Llama is also coming up in April. The route will go from the 32nd Street Crazy Llama coffee shop and go approximately 15 miles to the Webb City Crazy Llama coffee shop. This is a fundraiser for painting at North Middle School.

Dakota Rusk, City of Joplin, provided an update for the parking lot at Grand Falls. Trees will soon be cleared. Once the parking lot is built, people will be able to park their cars there and ride the trails to McIndoe Park and from there to Tin Cup Trail and St. John's Trail. There will be a raised boardwalk along Shoal Creek at the falls. Additionally, informational signage will be placed along the falls and near the chert glades.

Gina Thompson, City of Joplin, briefly spoke about the success of adding bike racks to the Sunshine Lamp Trolleys. There has been a noticeable increase in ridership lately.

Troy Bolander, City of Joplin, spoke about the upcoming tunnel under I-44 that will be a section of US Bike Route 51 running from New Orleans to Minnesota.

Dakota Rusk, City of Joplin, stated that the tunnel under I-44 will include storm water accommodations leading to a holding facility near Silver Creek.

Robert Lolley, City of Joplin, mentioned that there are plans for a bike path on the new 32nd Street bridge that will go over the railroad tracks.

6. Meeting Adjournment

Dakota Rusk motioned the meeting be adjourned and Troy Bolander seconded the motion. (13 in favor , 0 Against.) The meeting of the Complete Streets Commission was adjourned on February 20 , 2026, at approximately 2:30 PM.