

LIVABILITY COMMITTEE

Meeting Notes

Monday, 1 May 2023, 3:00 pm

*Covenant House, Board Room,
 611 N. Rampart Street, New Orleans, Louisiana 70112*

1. Call to Order, Reading of the Agenda, and Roll Call

The meeting was called to order at 3:05 pm and the agenda was read into the record.

ROLL CALL: COMMITTEE MEMBERS				MOTIONS
First Name	Last Name	Present	Absent	Approve Meeting Notes
Madison	Charleston	X		-
Rene	Fransen	X		Yes
Mamie	Gasperecz	X		Yes
Erin	Holmes	X		Yes
Christian	Pendleton	X		Yes
Frank	Perez		X	-
Graham	Williams	X		Yes
Antonio	Carbone	X		Yes

INTRODUCTION OF ATTENDEES: GUESTS		
First Name	Last Name	Role
Karley	Frankic	Executive Director
Alex	Dunkenberger	CNO CAO
Glade	Bilby	Commissioner
Jessica	Dietz	SEC Committee
Gretchen	Byers	VCPOA

2. Public Comment

No written public comment was received at the beginning of the meeting.

3. Approval of previous meeting notes

Mr. Fransen made a motion to approve the previous meeting notes, Mr. Pendleton seconded the motion, and it was approved.

4. Committee Chair Comments

Chair Mamie Gasperecz welcomed members and guests to the meeting and thanked Vice-Chair Holmes for helping lead the team while she was unavailable.

5. Update on N. Rampart Street Pedestrian and Bicycle Safety 2023 Work Plan Goal

a. University of New Orleans Transportation Planning Grant

UNO has a \$13M transportation planning grant and Ms. Gasperecz is meeting with their team to see how the French Quarter can be included in the Scope of Work. She will report back to the committee what she learns and bring the Executive Director into the next meetings.

b. Speed Display Sign Demonstration

The City is testing out a speed radar at the corner of N. Rampart and St. Philip Street to count and assess speed of vehicles. The data collected will help to establish the need for investment in traffic calming measures on N. Rampart Street. The committee discussed being proactive and not reactive when it comes to identifying resources and funding for improvements for quality of life in the French Quarter. This includes the status of the N. Rampart Streetcar.

Meeting guest Mr. Bilby made a public comment that the City's pedestrianization plan included traffic calming on N. Rampart Street and he would like to see those implemented. Ms. Holmes reported that there are preliminary plans for additional striping and improvements to the corner sevens.

6. Update on Sidewalk Assessment 2023 Workplan Goal

Maddie Charleston and Kevin Ferguson from New Orleans & Company have a walkabout scheduled for Friday to look at the condition of the sidewalks, particularly as they relate to ADA compliance.

a. Curb Use Signage 3D Attribute Modeling

See attached.

b. Protocol Planning for Autumn Sidewalk Assessment

Ms. Frankic reported that she is working with DPW to create a data dictionary and protocol over the summer for the sidewalk assessment to take place this fall. The goal is to collect data that can be used for assessing conditions and attributes that include condition grade of the sidewalks and utility covers in the sidewalks.

The committee asked Mr. Dunkenberger to find the answer to how long has it been since District C had a contract in place for sidewalk repairs? The committee also made a recommendation that when Cyclomedia does future assessments, they do so on street cleaning days so they have an unobstructive view of the streets and sidewalks, which Ms. Frankic will convey.

7. Discussion – New Trash Receptacle Location Recommendations

The Dept. of Sanitation has 100 new trash receptacles that will be replacing broken cans and installing in new locations. The committee discussed a recommendation that there be at least one can at each intersection, locations with bars or gathering places, like bars in residential zones and Cabrini Park, should also have one. Bourbon, Royal, and Decatur Streets need two per block, and one within a block of Bourbon Street on adjacent streets.

French Quarter MANAGEMENT DISTRICT

The committee asked Ms. Frankic and Mr. Dunkenberger to find the answer to whether the concrete pad that is located under the trash cans is included in the initiative? Ms. Frankic will share map of current trash cans in the French Quarter.

The committee further discussed an interest in an ordinance to require evidence of a current commercial solid waste contract when renewing Occupational License. This would apply to businesses, but the issue would remain for residential properties with more than 4 units. Ms. Frankic will look into the matter and report back to the committee.

8. Report – Keep the Quarter Clean Love the Boot Week Event Results

16 volunteers volunteered for 4 hours shifts supporting the French Quarter Festival's Green Team. The volunteers help divert festival waste from the landfill via composting and recycling. They helped inform festival attendees about the separate bins and sorted waste materials as well.

9. New business – To consider and take action upon any other matters that may properly come before the French Quarter Management District Livability Committee

Mr. Pendleton reported that he and Commissioner Bilby spoke with Cm. King about the committee's concerns about opening up additional street vending when there is illegal vending taking place that is not being regulated or curbed. Mr. Pendleton noted that CM King stated that he supports addressing illegal vending before opening up new street vending in the French Quarter. Mr. Pendleton will also be going to Baton Rouge to ask for help from the State to help the City with additional manpower to address illegal vending. This support may include the Alcohol, Tobacco Commission and Dept. of Health.

The Supplemental Police Patrol Program has ceased placing and removing the Royal Street Pedestrian Mall barricades at the opening and closing hours of the promenade. NOPD is now using overtime officers to mobilize the barricades and monitor the mall for those that are moving the barricades for deliveries, parking, pedi-cabs, etc. Mr. Pendleton said that in his meeting with Cm. King he said that he has met with MaCCNO and they are open to reimagining the Royal Street Pedestrian Mall. He will report when he has more information.

Ms. Dietz made a public comment that Peter Moss is paying for sleeves to go over the metal police barricades that clearly name the Royal Street Pedestrian Mall with the hours. This is intended to provide additional emphasis on not moving the barricades.

The committee asked Mr. Dunkenberger how many vacancies are in Parking Enforcement.

Mr. Pendleton asked that Street Vending and the Royal Street Pedestrian Mall be added to next month's meeting agenda for further updates.

10. Next meeting date – 5 June 2023

The next scheduled meeting date is June 5th and 3:00 pm.

11. Adjournment

Mr. Pendleton made a motion to adjourn the meeting, Mr. Williams seconded the motion and the meeting adjourned at pm.



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AM MON: Cyclomedia Blurb

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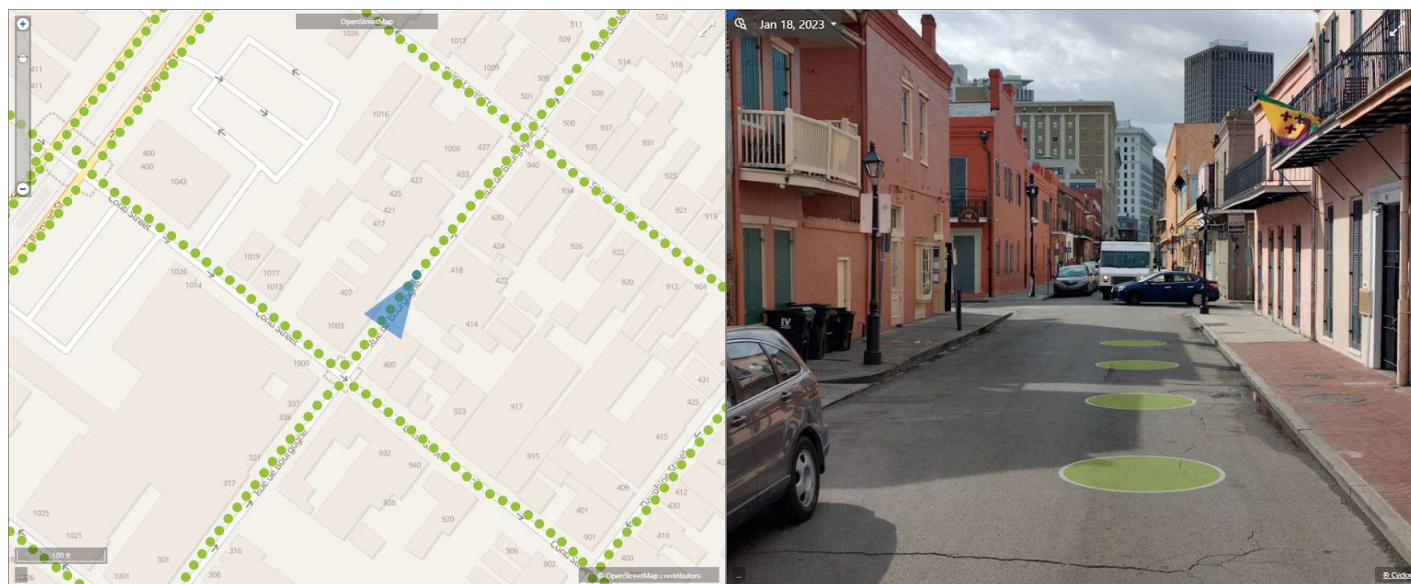
Cyclomedia blurb . . .

The City of New Orleans Department of Public Works has contracted with Cyclomedia to produce a digital capture of the City's 2,000 miles of streets. 361 with a car equipped with a specialized camera. The equipment also includes LIDAR capture meaning that a 3D model can be created providing Z or elev street view, slopes can be calculated, and flood scenarios (based on entering a flood elevation) can be simulated.

In addition to the imagery and elevation capture, public ROW assets can be extracted from the imagery and made into vector GIS datasets. Examples of street pavement edge, and sidewalk edge. These datasets are the foundation for the next effort of asset management software acquisition.

Cyclomedia won the asset collection contract via RFP in December 2023 and the data collection drives were conducted in February/March 2023. The RF

Sample imagery:



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From: Karley Frankic <kfrankic@fqmd.org>
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Subject: Re: Curb Use Study

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Can y'all send over a brief summary of the Cyclomedia contract scope of work and the potential applicable uses of the data? I want to be able to describe

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On Wed, Apr 19, 2023 at 7:39 PM John M. DeFraités Jr. <jmdefraites@nola.gov> wrote:

Jennifer:

Anytime open on calendar (see schedule assistant) tomorrow or Friday (before 3pm) works. If next week anytime Open works.

3pm tomorrow?

10am Friday?

John

Sent from my T-Mobile 5G Device
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From: Jennifer E. Ruley <jeruley@nola.gov>
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To: Karley Frankic <kfrankic@fqmd.org>
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Subject: RE: Curb Use Study

John,

Please let us know your preference on a time slot.

Jennifer

Jennifer E. Ruley, PE

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From: Karley Frankic <kfrankic@fqmd.org>
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I'd love to hop on a call. Your schedule is usually pretty packed. I am pretty flexible tomorrow or Friday morning. I have volunteers that are ready to go on a call with data that is useful to the City and we're using the correct identifiers.

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On Wed, Apr 19, 2023 at 12:45 PM Jennifer E. Ruley <jeruley@nola.gov> wrote:

The Urban Systems info is dated. It's old. The screenshot you reference was more recent (in the last 2 years). I suggested that we jump on a call with this info again with a more high tech data capture that is ongoing. So we can update you on that.

Let me know if there is a good time for you to jump on a 30 min call about what curb use designation information and format would be most useful.

Jennifer E. Ruley, PE

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Is this the Urban Systems drawing set attached to one that informed the color coded GIS map in the screengrab? And if so, is teh legend still accura

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On Mon, Oct 31, 2022 at 12:46 PM Jennifer E. Ruley <jeruley@nola.gov> wrote:

Also, attached is the Urban Systems report from 2010. It covers similar information pertaining to curb uses but is obviously older. WE have not cc designations into presence and quality of curb ramps, etc.

Jennifer E. Ruley, PE

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Subject: FW: Curb Use Study

Karley,

This database for FQ streets is a little overwhelming. There are 10's of 100's of points. Below you will see the types of signs and other features tl take the files from the consultant and do a lot of work to convert to a visual map. We no longer have access to Salesforce so we are working with cleaned up a great deal. We have dbf files that can be converted to Excel.

Perhaps it is most effective to jump on a virtual call with you and John, who is our Project Controls manager and GIS wizard. This way we can de

Jennifer

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Jennifer,

Here are the breakdown for the Work Order Types that were provided.

Also in the map screenshot below, I identified a few different zones.

Red – Freight / Loading Zones

Blue – Passenger Zones

Black – Corner Zones

Parking

CPNC Zones

Freight, Service and Passenger Loading

No Stopping, Standing or Parking

Parking Meters

Pay To Park Station

Vehicle Parking and Standing

Pavement

ADA Ramp

Driveway

Pavement Markings

Street Signs

No Parking

No Stopping

Other

Parking Permitted

Regulatory

Transit

Bike Rack

Blue Bike Station

Water

Hydrant



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