

INFRASTRUCTURE COMMITTEE
Tuesday, May 10, 2016 at 5:15 p.m.
City Hall Council Chambers

Agenda

- 1. Presentation and discussion from Walk-n-roll regarding way finding signage in Downtown Bangor. (Material Attached)**

Walk-n-Roll Bangor - Downtown Wayfinding Signage

In March, the Bicycle Coalition of Maine (BCM) publicized its program, *Imagine People Here*, for seven Maine communities to create temporary demonstration projects. Walk-n-Roll Bangor is being considered for one of these opportunities, specifically to install downtown wayfinding route signage that show distance on two key routes for pedestrians and bicyclists.

Walk-n-Roll seeks city staff and the infrastructure committee's interest in this project. This group is a community safety advisory committee devoted to safer walking and cycling in Bangor, Maine. Wayfinding signage is one of fifteen priorities posed to the group by community members last year, and we believe this signage will contribute to Bangor's growing economic vitality, emphasize the walkability and bikeability of Bangor's streets, and create connections in the downtown district.

We propose temporary installation of such signage from July through September, during the height of resident and visitor activity in the downtown area. Walk-n-Roll volunteers would work with staff, the Coalition, and select stakeholders to develop signage in May and June. Walk-n-Roll and the Coalition would install signage at the beginning of July and conduct evaluations through September. The project would be taken down in October. Next winter, results can be shared with the City staff who can evaluate permanent installation of signs.

Three Walk-n-Roll volunteers have agreed to liaison with Bicycle Coalition of Maine and City staff to administer the project. Other interested parties include Friends of the Kenduskeag Stream (FOLKS) and the new downtown business Explore Bangor. Walk-n-Roll would also like to consult with Downtown Bangor Partnership, Bangor Area Comprehensive Transportation System, and Bangor Land Trust who have or may have considered such work before.