



Community Development Department

DATE: January 22, 2020
FROM: Ben Ehreth, Community Development Director
ITEM: Submission of 'Bicycle Friendly Community' Renewal Application

REQUEST

To request permission for the Bismarck-Mandan MPO to submit a 'Bicycle Friendly Community' renewal application on behalf of the City of Bismarck.

Please place this item on the January 28, 2020 City Commission meeting agenda.

BACKGROUND INFORMATION

The Bismarck-Mandan Metropolitan Planning Organization (MPO) - on behalf of the cities of Bismarck, Mandan, and Lincoln - was awarded the designation of 'Bicycle Friendly Community' in 2016 by the League of American Bicyclists. Since this designation is valid for three years, the MPO has prepared a renewal application. The application submittal deadline is February 4, 2020.

The previous application was awarded at a 'Bronze' level, and MPO staff is hopeful that the current application may be upgraded to a 'Silver' level. A renewed designation poses no financial liability to the City beyond the possible purchase of a road sign(s) to designate Bismarck as a 'Bicycle Friendly Community'.

RECOMMENDED CITY COMMISSION ACTION

Staff requests approval for the Bismarck-Mandan MPO to submit the 'Bicycle Friendly Community' renewal application.

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