



# City of West Allis Matter Summary

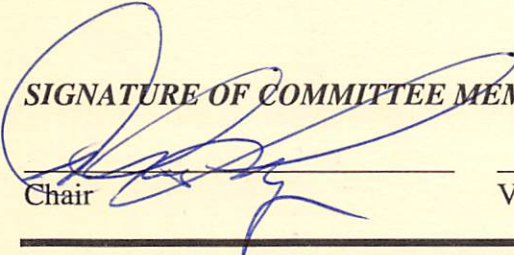
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File Number	Title	Status
2009-0420	Communication	Introduced
City of West Allis Health Commissioner communication recommending adoption of the draft City of West Allis Bicycle and Pedestrian Master Plan.		
Introduced: 6/16/2009		Controlling Body: Safety & Development Committee

### COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION File

ACTION DATE:	MOVER	SECONDER		AYE	NO	PRESENT	EXCUSED
<u>6/16/09</u>			Barczak				
			Czaplewski				
		✓	Kopplin	✓			
			Lajsic	✓			
	✓		Narlock	✓			
			Reinke	✓			
			Roadt				
			Sengstock				
			Vitale	✓			
			Weigel				
			TOTAL	<u>5</u>	<u>0</u>		

**SIGNATURE OF COMMITTEE MEMBER**



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### COMMON COUNCIL ACTION **PLACE ON FILE**

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			Vitale	✓			
			Weigel	✓			
			TOTAL	<u>9</u>			<u>1</u>



**HEALTH DEPARTMENT**

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June 10, 2009

Steve Schaer  
Department of Development  
West Allis City Hall  
7525 West Greenfield Avenue  
West Allis, WI 53214

Dear Mr. Schaer:

I would like to endorse the draft City of West Allis Bicycle and Pedestrian Master Plan and recommend its adoption.

Over the past decade there has been a growing relationship between urban planning and public health in promoting the concept of a built environment that supports healthy behaviors. The built environment can influence the health in a community largely because of the transportation choices made by urban planners.

This drafted plan makes transportation choices that promote bicycling and creates a "walkable community" in West Allis. Literature and research indicates that when these design features are incorporated into community planning, households do walk and bicycle more and drive less. A growing body of research is also showing that communities with these designs are associated with higher physical fitness levels, lower levels of obesity, and exposure to fewer harmful air pollutants. I believe the drafted plan will contribute to a community design that will promote positive health behaviors in West Allis.

I support the adoption of this plan and recommend incorporating it into future comprehensive plans for West Allis.

Sincerely,

Terry Brandenburg  
Health Commissioner

TB/gs

c: John Stibal, Director of Development

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