



Agenda
Village of Arlington Heights
Bicycle and Pedestrian Advisory Commission
Hanson Room
Village Hall
December 11, 2017
7:30 PM

I. CALL TO ORDER

II. ROLL CALL

III. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

- A. Minutes of September 25, 2017

IV. REPORTS

- A. Chairman's Report

V. OLD BUSINESS

- A. Staff Report
- Active Transportation Map Update
 - CNU Award Update
 - Crash Statistics Update

VI. NEW BUSINESS

- A. 2018 Bike Signage Plan

VII. OTHER BUSINESS

VIII. ADJOURNMENT

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Item: Minutes of September 25, 2017

Department: Engineering

ATTACHMENTS:

Description	Type
Minutes of September 25, 2017	Minutes

***Minutes of the Arlington Heights Bicycle and Pedestrian Advisory Commission
Monday, September 25, 2017 in the Hanson Room at Village Hall***

COMMISSION MEMBERS IN ATTENDANCE:

Juergen Juffa, Chairman
David Easley
Paul Danko
Charlotte Obodzinski (via Conference Call)
Peter Szabo

MEMBERS ABSENT:

Alan Medsker

STAFF PRESENT:

Briget Schwab, Engineering Liaison, VAH

OTHERS PRESENT:

RESIDENTS IN ATTENDANCE:

CALL TO ORDER:

A quorum being present, J. Juffa called the meeting to order at 7:46 p.m.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

P. Szabo moved to approve the Minutes of the Bicycle Advisory Commission Meeting from June 20, 2017. P. Danko seconded the motion and the motion carried unanimously.

P. Szabo moved to approve the Minutes of the Bicycle Advisory Commission Meeting from July 18, 2017. C. Obodzinski seconded the motion and the motion carried unanimously.

CHAIRMAN'S REPORT:

- J. Juffa report is included as an attachment to these meeting minutes. The report covers the following topics:
 1. Adoption of the Bicycle and Pedestrian Plan and the Bike Parking Ordinance
 2. Overview of the Community Bike Ride
 3. Results of the Bike and Pedestrian Counts
 4. Review of the New Rules of the Road
 5. Reminder of Advocacy Seminar for Active Transportation Alliance
 6. Review of the Village's progress towards Bicycle Friendly Community status
 7. Outlook into 2018
- J. Juffa and B. Schwab reviewed the proposed budget.
 1. B. Schwab noted that the line item for Bike Arlington was adjusted down to \$200. She explained that the police support for the ride is now being paid out of the Arts & Entertainment budget, so it will no longer show up in the BPAC budget. BPAC will still have the police support for the ride, but it will be budgeted separately. The \$200 in the Bike Arlington line item will be used for sign printing and other incidentals needed for the ride.
 2. Publications was adjusted to \$0 since there was no requests in 2018.
 3. Photocopying remains at \$100.

4. Bike Map printing was bumped up to \$600.
5. Education and TS 101 materials remains at \$500.
6. Membership Dues remains at \$500.
7. Installation of Bike Routes signs remains at \$3500. B. Schwab stated the BPAC should make a priority early in 2018 to determine how to spend the money. For example, should the money be used to sign routes that have been designated routes and not yet signed, add additional signs to existing routes, replace existing signs that are worn down or missing, or use the money to add destination information to existing bike route signs P. Szabo asked if there was an inventory of signs. B. Schwab stated the Village just hired a new GIS consultant to manage all GIS data and their first objective is to collect all the data sources that various departments have been updating and is hopeful once that is done, the Village will have an accurate sign data inventory that can be used to assist with this task. J. Juffa inquired if his request for Bicycle Detector Pavement Markings with signage that say "To Request Green, Wait on Bike Symbol" was approved. B. Schwab stated that she sent the request to the Traffic Foreman and he indicated that the Village does not have bicycle detection technology at any intersection in the Village, but offered to install signage to direct cyclists to press the pedestrian button. J. Juffa and P. Szabo noted that it may not technically be bicycle detection, but their steel frame bike can be detected if they sat directly on the detector loops which is for vehicle detection. P. Szabo stated that when he uses his carbon frame bike, he is unable to trip the signal. J. Juffa stated that when the detector loops were visible it was easy to see, but the locations that have been resurfaced are no longer visible. J. Juffa thinks this is a very inexpensive investment that could make cycling easier. J. Juffa offered that Hoffman Estates uses these markings on Higgins and Woods. J. Juffa would like to discuss a bike signage plan and options at a future meeting.
8. Walk Arlington is under an expanded budget request for \$3000.

OLD BUSINESS:

- As mentioned earlier, B. Schwab informed the BPAC that the Village has hired a new consultant to handle the GIS data for the Village. Their first objective is data discovery which involves meeting with various departments and merging all data sources into one master base map. The GIS consultant indicated they would not begin making any new maps until a new master base map is developed with the most current and accurate information. Therefore, this will delay the delivery of the Active Transportation Map. B. Schwab has already met with the GIS team twice since they came on board on September 19th and gave two goals. The first goal is to have a live interactive map for the Village website, and the second goal is to have a printable map that can be distributed to residents. The original date for these projects was December 1st, but after hearing that the data discovery and creation of the base map would take more time than originally anticipated, B. Schwab felt it was reasonable to delay the delivery of the two maps into spring before cycling season picks back up again. She also informed the consultant that the Bike Swap was the first big event and opportunity to have the printed maps distributed, so she would like to make sure the new map is ready by then. B. Schwab also informed the BPAC that the new Village website will launch on October 3rd and the website team requested different bike routes from the BPAC to include on the website.

NEW BUSINESS:

- J. Juffa discussed dates for the 2018 Bike Arlington Ride. J. Juffa was disappointed in the turn out for the September ride since it was a perfect weather day. P. Szabo offered that

the e-mail went out late and suggested that it come more officially from the Village instead of his e-mail. He also stated that there were a number of people that had come to the bike shop and said they were disappointed they couldn't make it for a variety of reasons. B. Schwab offered that a lot of sports are back in session and families are already committed to other activities. After a brief discussion, it was determined to leave the rides in May and September with tentative dates of May 12, 2018 and September 15, 2018. J. Juffa suggested the May ride is "Ride to the Park" and the September ride is "Ride to the School". He knows we wouldn't be able to hit all the schools and parks in one ride, but could change the parks and schools the ride goes to yearly. He also mentioned it may be difficult to bike between towns in order to get to Rolling Meadows High School and Buffalo Grove High School, but he has spoken with an officer about the possibility and the officer was optimistic. He does acknowledge it would take more coordination since multiple towns would be involved. P. Szabo suggested speaking with the Arlington Heights Bike Club because the Ride of Silence goes through more than one town and they have police ride along. D. Easley volunteered to coordinate both rides again. However, D. Easley stated that he is in graduate school and would not be able to assist on the day of the May ride. P. Szabo offered to plan the routes, but will be out of town as well. B. Schwab cautioned the BPAC on picking a date before making sure BPAC volunteers would be available.

- J. Juffa discussed the potential BPAC goals and projects for 2018. J. Juffa's suggestions are outlined in the attached presentation. J. Juffa is open to other goals and objectives from BPAC members. D. Easley liked the idea of planning routes to the library and thinks it is worth posting routes to the BPAC page. P. Szabo suggested that the library can educate people on how to plan routes using the bicycle option in Google maps. P. Szabo also suggests having area of library set up with the library that provides resources on cycling and walking. D. Easley also suggested having a static display of trunk routes that patrons could use to walk or bike to the library. P. Szabo asked if the BPAC could look into purchasing bike and pedestrian count data collection devices in the next budget year.
- J. Juffa asked about next year's budget process and getting some of the projects implemented that are suggested in the Bicycle and Pedestrian plan. B. Schwab stated that the BPAC should identify which projects are the BPAC priority and then determine which steps are necessary. For example, the Palatine Road and Windsor Drive intersection will likely need a feasibility study to determine which option is the best solution. Other projects may be able to go directly to Phase I. P. Szabo suggested pursuing the project that would widen the sidewalk along the east side of Wilke Road from Algonquin Road up to Sunset Meadows. B. Schwab believes projects could be suggested by Bike Commission through an Expanded Budget Request, but would need to confirm that.
- C. Obodzinski wanted to discuss the South Arlington Heights Road Corridor Study that is being handled by the Planning Department. She was disheartened to see that there was no mention of Pace services since they serve quite a bit on their Route 606 which serves the Algonquin Road corridor, I-90 corridor, and Golf Road corridor. The Community Relations Coordinator, Steve Andrews, has reached out to Charles Perkins to provide the Planning Department details of the Pace services available in that areas. Additionally, she noticed a new signal and mid-block crossing at the hotel and asked B. Schwab if the proposed signal been run by IDOT for approval because the signal spacing seems close. B. Schwab was not sure, but guesses since this is a preliminary plan and very early stages, it has not, but will check with Planning. She did like the idea of the landscape medians for traffic calming. However, as a person that used to walk this area daily, her main concern was the lack of buffer between the sidewalk and the traffic along Arlington Heights Road and there is no mention to improve this situation. Additionally, she knows that the intersection for I-90 and Arlington Heights was previously a proposed location for a

Starline station, and the proposed plan is suggesting a mixed-used development. However, she is suggesting the BPAC advocate for transit supportive land uses. C. Obodzinski suggested the BPAC advocate for the abovementioned improvements.

- The next meeting is tentatively set for December 7, 2017 at 9:10 PM.

ADJOURNMENT:

- **P. Danko moved to adjourn the meeting. P.Szabo seconded the motion and the meeting adjourned at 8:45 PM.**

APPROVED:

Chairman Date

Secretary Date



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Department: Engineering

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Chairman's Report

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BikePed Plan and Bike Parking Ordinance:

- recommended unanimously by COW on 8/14/17
- passed unanimously by Village Board 9/5/17
- Mayor Hayes extends appreciation to all Staff and Commission members and commends everybody on a job well done.



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Community Bike Ride

- great job David Easley, Public Works, Police Department and all other Staff, Library, Park District
- Thanks to Peter and Paul
- 70 riders
- No falls
- Promoted bikesafetyquiz.com
- Triggered interview with Tribune papers about ride, plan, bike parking ordinance



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Bike/Ped counts

- Six volunteers, thereof four from AHML volunteer fair
- Counted at nine locations
- Residents curious and supportive

	<u>Weekday 5 - 7 pm</u>		<u>Weekend noon - 2 pm</u>	
	cyclists	pedestrians	cyclists	pedestrians
Lake Cook/Schaefer crossing Lake Cook			8	3
Lake Cook/Wilke crossing Lake Cook			2	4
Palatine/Windsor crossing Palatine	18	9		
Palatine/Kennicott crossing Palatine	14	4		
Euclid/Dryden crossing Euclid	7	5		
Euclid/Douglas crossing Euclid	2	6		
NW Highway/Ridge crossing NW Highway	17	22		
Sigwalt/Ridge arriving on Sigwalt	13	48	8	20
arriving on Ridge	18	20	27	15
White Oak/New Wilke arriving on New Wilke	23	14		
arriving on White Oak	17	11		

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Bike/Ped Counts 2017: Pedestrians by Gender



■ male ■ female

Bike/Ped Counts 2017: Cyclists by Gender



■ male ■ female

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New Rules of the Road

Illinois Public Act 100-0359, signed into law 8/25/17

Motorist can legally pass cyclists in a no-passing zone if

- cyclist is going less than half the speed limit motorist
- does not need to speed
- motorist obeys three-feet rule

Shoulder riding is legal for cyclists

Red rear reflector no longer required, a red light (blinking or steady) is sufficient

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Advocacy Seminar Active Transportation Alliance



West: Saturday, October 7 (11am to 3:30pm in Elmhurst)

Northwest: Saturday, October 21 (11am to 3:30pm in Schaumburg)

- Free, including free lunch
- Tools to help you develop an advocacy campaign
- Direction and assistance in advocating for better walking and biking policies
- Opportunities to network with other like-minded individuals in your region

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Progress towards Bicycle Friendly Community status

Item	anticipated status as of 12/31/17	comments
Adopt revised bike plan		bike ped plan adopted 9/5/17
Begin implementing bike plan		adopted bike parking ordinance, undertook bike and pedestrian counts
Improve bike infrastructure according to bike plan (bike lanes, side paths, intersection improvements)		New Wilke/NW Highway intersection improvements, Dundee Road side path (partial), Nichol Knoll apron transition
Develop solution for access to Lake Arlington from south of Palatine Rd		not started
Evaluate bike crash statistics		anticipated for Q4 meeting
Increase level of bicycle education		no seminars held in 2017, promoted bikesafetyquiz.com at community bike ride
Continue with community bike ride, implement other encouragement efforts		organized two successful community bike rides in 2017
Conduct bike usage counts		participated in National Bike Ped Documentation project for the first time



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Outlook 2018

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Concept for a Bike to the Library Event

Goal: promote active transportation, promote bike safety

Characteristic of the event: Unlike events like the community bike ride, “Bike to the Library” encourages patrons to “go it on their own”, i.e. to engage in active transportation without the help of a larger group. However, assistance such as route finding or practicing active transportation with a “bike buddy” are offered to those who do not feel ready. To that end “bike buddies” scout routes for patrons that are unfamiliar with a practical route to the library or feel safer riding in company until they have familiarized themselves with a route to the library.

Timing: concurrent with the “Bike to the Library Program” of the Wisconsin public libraries (typically in June).

Incentive: Patrons who ride to the library receive a prize for riding to the library (e.g. as evidenced by showing their bike helmet). Prizes could include lower-value accessories such as “blinky” bike lights or a bike bell, reflective ankle bands etc.

Patrons who also participate in bikesafetyquiz.com and bring their completion certificate to the library additionally enter into a drawing of higher-value prizes (a bike lock, a saddle bag, a front light).

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Concept for a Bike to the Library Event

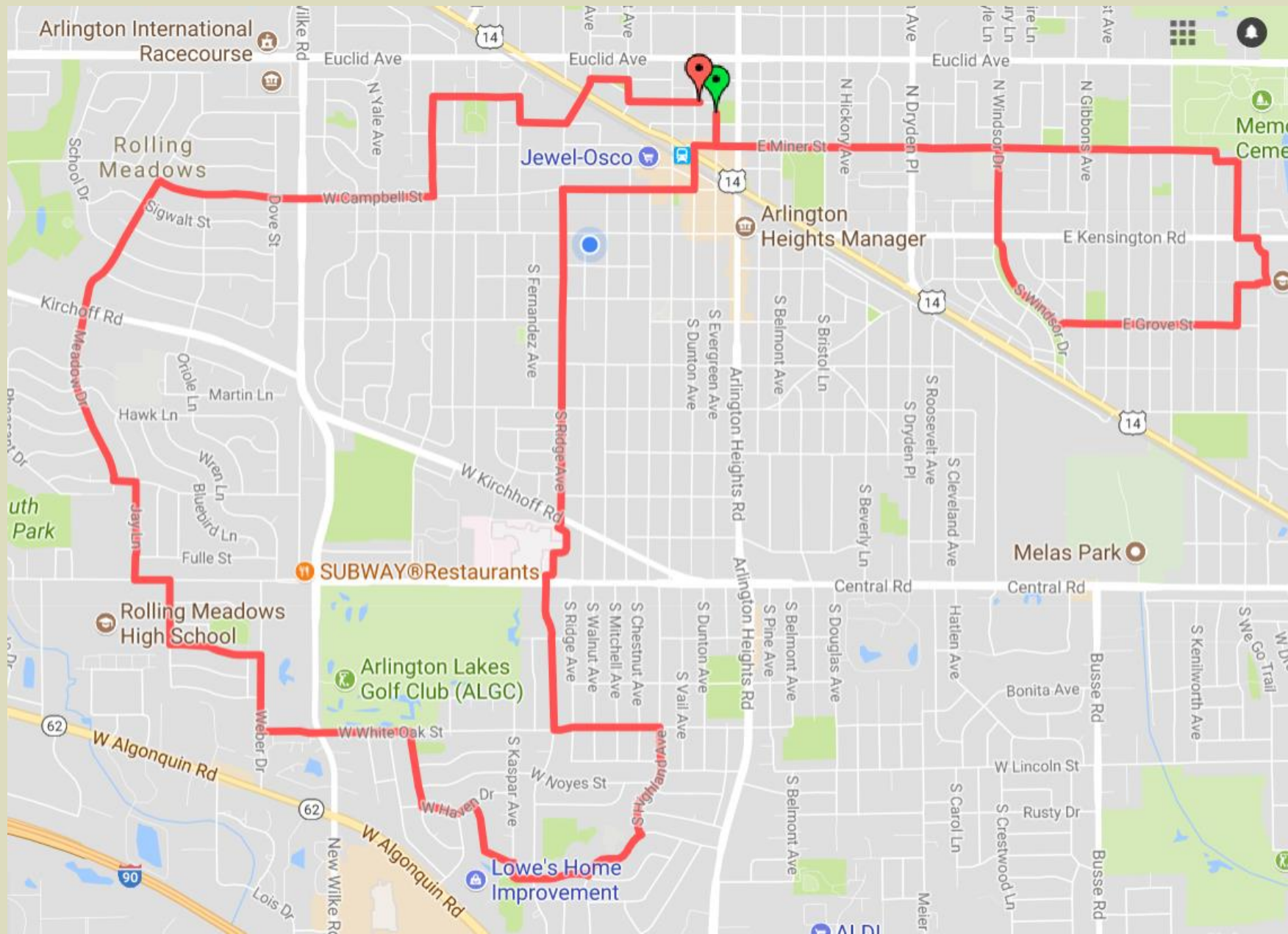
Ancillary activities

- Create showcase with books, copy of the bike plan, helmet
- Showcase excerpts from the VAH bike plan as posters in the library
- Have patrons place a pin on a Village map indicating where their ride to the library originated
- Offer village bike maps for free distribution
- Book discussion, e.g. “Bikenomics” or “How cycling can change the world”
- Bicycle-themed story time for young kids, e.g. “B is for Bicycle”
- Bike-themed movie and discussion: e.g. “Bikes vs. Cars” (although I find that too dark, I have yet to find an “encouraging”, upbeat, positive bicycle documentary)
- Presentation: Cycling for transportation
- Class: Traffic Skills 101
- Collection of old bikes, e.g. for “Working Bikes” or “the Recyclery”

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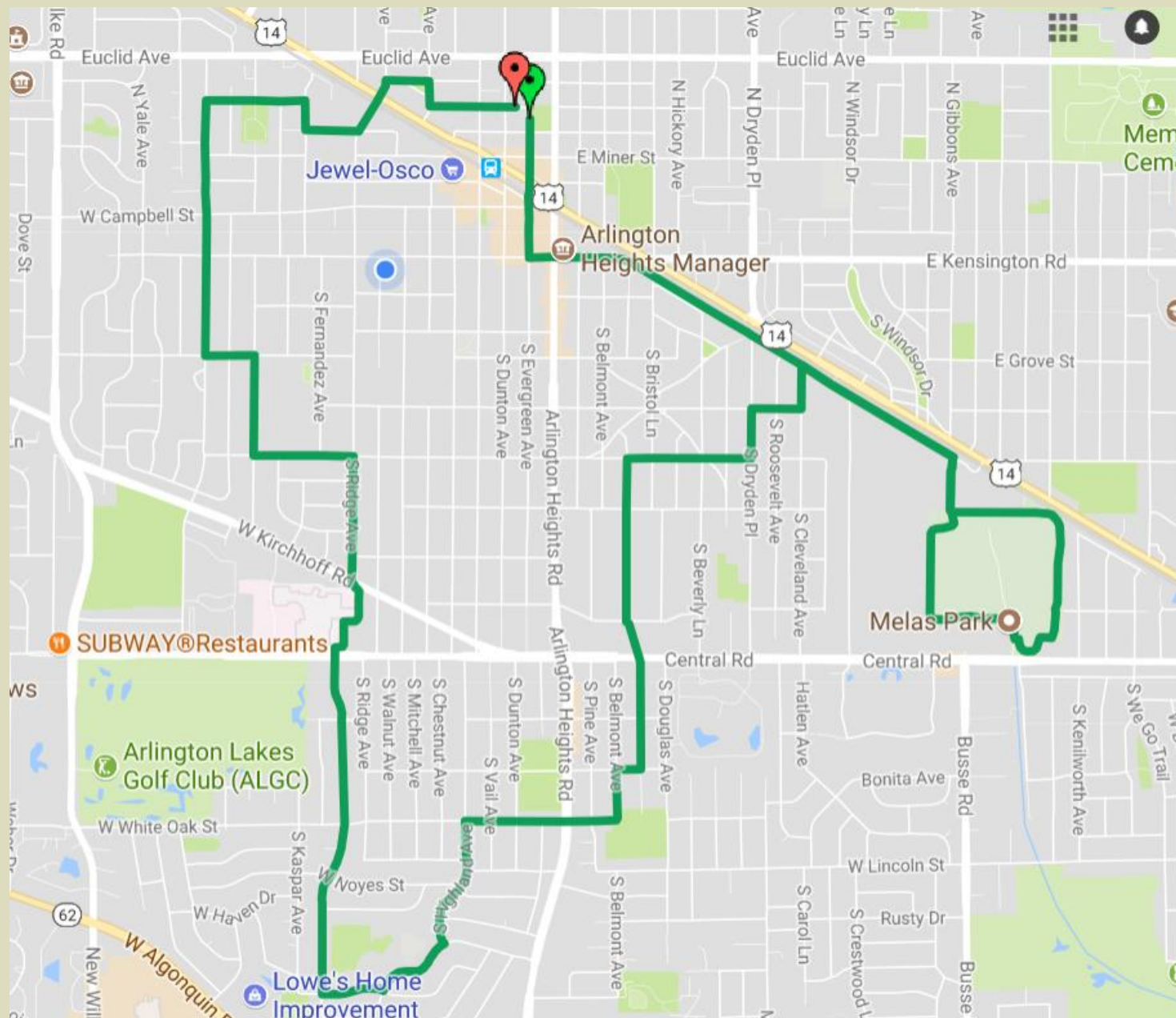
Destination Themed Community Bike Rides

Ride to the Schools (Prospect, Rolling Meadows)



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Destination Themed Community Bike Rides Ride to the Parks





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- Active Transportation Map Update
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