

## PBTSAC Meeting Minutes

5.23.19

### Attendees:

Kristy Daphnis	John Hoobler	Luisa Montero
Heidi Coleman	Steve Aldrich	Jeremy Martin
Shawn Brennan	Tomas Bridle	David Anspacher
Chris Conklin	Wade Holland	Marybeth Cleveland
Michael Paylor	Derek Gunn	Jared Solomon
Dave Helms	Tommy Heyboer	Angela Ashe

### **WELCOME AND REACTION TO GERMANTOWN MEETING / CE AND COUNTY COUNCIL COMMENTS**

Minutes: K Daphnis called meeting to order at 7:00 pm and did introductions.

K Daphnis: Upcounty meeting went well

T Bridle: It was good to have 1 on 1 with Council members

M Cleveland: We received good feedback from the meeting

K Daphnis: We need to keep the mailing list up to date and do a scrub on past meeting attendees

J Martin: Upcounty is a car-dependent part of the County, good to hear all perspectives

K Daphnis: Craig Rice sends remarks

K Daphnis: The next PBTSAC meeting will probably be in the Long Branch area

### **FY20 BUDGET / LEGISLATIVE UPDATE**

T Heyboer: County Council added in a lot of money back to the budget. Great year for pedestrian and bicyclist projects. Breakdown of the process: CE recommends budget; Council reviews and holds budget hearings and meetings, generally agrees with ~95% of the CE's recommendations. Regarding the differences: BiPPA -> created separate PDFs for Wheaton CBD, MD 586/Randolph, Fenton Street, and East County Purple Line. \$100k was added to Pedestrian Road Safety Audits. The Pedestrian Master Plan was funded. White Flint & Forest Glen metro entrances to be improved/updated. White Flint received \$300k for planning and design and Forest Glen was funded for PDS and construction. It is now free for all kids to ride Ride On & WMATA. Here is how the PDF cycle works: 6-year periods of funding for CIPs, updated every two years, generally there is less of a change during the off years. Jan 15<sup>th</sup>, 2020 the CE will send his recommended budget. There are different funding sources: GO bonds, current revenue, and state grants. GO bonds are bonds the County floats based on our AAA bond rating, usually a 20-year lifespan for the project. Individual Departments and Agencies are working on their budgets now with OMB and then the CE.

C Conklin: Every fall the Consolidated Transportation Program (CTP) comes out from SHA, this is their version of the PDF process. We are beginning the process for a new priorities letter for not this year but next years' CTP

S Aldrich: The Planning Board puts out their top 100 projects, it is irrespective of CTP vs CIP, list should be out July to September timeframe

L Montero: Council holds 5 CIP budget hearings for resident input

C Conklin: If you see a CIP or do not see a CIP you have thoughts on, let me know

T Heyboer: Testify at the public hearing and write letters

W Holland: State website has priority letter

C Conklin: Some projects have TIGER grants

J Solomon: There are 3 bills at the State level. 1) Vision Zero -> need to get MDOT to follow through. 2) Bikeways -> some money is dedicated at the State level for bike infrastructure. 3) Raised the fines for crosswalk violations.

J Solomon: Some bills did not pass, including one for the beltway and one for a MARC plan

C Conklin: E-scooters exist

S Aldrich: SHA released ped crossing treatment guidelines

### **DC VISION ZERO SUMMIT DEBRIEF**

K Daphnis: We went to the DC Vision Zero Summit

H Coleman: Greg Slater spoke on being a planner. DC has a Vision Zero person (in addition to the coordinator) with a focus on outreach

W Holland: Focus of the summit was on equity

D Anspacher: Vision Zero goes beyond DOT

### **I-495 AND I-270 EXPANSION PROJECT: PEDESTRIAN AND BIKE DISCUSSION**

D Anspacher: Project is to widen I-495 and I-270 with toll lanes. If it does move forward, how can we improve walking and bicycling? Handout gives brief overview

D Anspacher: MNCPPC put out a letter re: the project. The Pedestrian Master Plan says wherever there is an interchange we want a pedestrian facility

C Conklin: This would affect almost every bridge

D Anspacher: More handouts – various treatments for crossing freeways

S Aldrich: Interchanges with loop ramps may have to be signalized when widened which presents opportunities for ped/bike crossings

D Anspacher: MNCPPC website links to MDOT page with interactive website

S Aldrich: Google “I-495” + “P3” and the link comes up

J Solomon: 495-270-P3.com

K Daphnis: What opportunities are there for this committee to engage?

T Heyboer: Must go through OIR

C Conklin: MCDOT has provided detailed comments recently

S Aldrich: June 12<sup>th</sup> is cooperating agency deadline

C Conklin: Comments for EIS down the road will be more impactful than now

K Daphnis: We will hold until then

J Martin: I can start to draft something

### **OPEN DISCUSSION**

T Bridle: Issues with signals on MD 355

D Gunn: PEPCO issue we are tackling; I will follow up with an email to the group

D Helms / T Heyboer: We can start looking at MCDOT CIPs for input

T Bridle: Woodmont/Bethesda is not good for cyclists

L Montero: HAWK in Aspen Hill revealed

### **WHEATON SAFETY WALK**

K Daphnis: Great turnout for Wheaton Safety Walk; focused on CBD with four walking groups

L Montero: Lots of representatives, elected officials, and civic associations. The general feedback was that the sidewalks are in disrepair. It was a great event

K Daphnis: Many of the roads are SHA roads and people do not understand the time, effort, and persistence needed to make changes

L Montero: Speed limit has been reduced and crosswalks have been restriped; there are 51 new parking spaces being considered along MD 97

D Gunn: Still investigating Price & MD 97 to find best engineering solution

H Coleman: Any follow up to our meetings in the High Injury Networks?

T Heyboer: WABA got Council money for three schools to teach kids to ride

S Aldrich: Aug 30<sup>th</sup> the Planning Department meeting did a mini-audit looking at crosswalks

S Aldrich: The Pedestrian Master Plan will have good tools to use for community engagement

K Daphnis: That would be helpful

### **UPDATES**

W Holland: Aspen Hill HAWK up, Willard & The Hills Plaza scheduled next

W Holland: Two pedestrian fatalities in parking lots

W Holland: Two Equity Task Force meetings, the next one is June 5<sup>th</sup> on Education

W Holland: The Fatal Crash Review Team is going on

J Hoobler: The Cross-Departmental Team Building gives different government agencies the ability to see what Vision Zero work looks like from their side

W Holland: \$175k set aside for Vision Zero Coordinator from one pot

### **COMMITTEE BUSINESS**

K Daphnis: The November 28<sup>th</sup> meeting is now set for November 21<sup>st</sup>

K Daphnis: Meeting adjourned at 9:30 pm