

**Minutes of the August 23, 2016
Transportation Advisory Committee Meeting**

In Attendance: Marc Lefkowitz, Chris Cummings, Sam Bell, Sgt. Robert Butler, Jonathan Ciesla, Charlie Mosbrook, Richard Wong, Howard Maier, Kathy Petrey, Gayle Lewin, Jennifer Kuzma and from CH-UH Library Tim Pasbrig, Justin Story, Shalanda Smith

Co-Chair Howard Maier called the meeting to order at 7:04 PM.

APPROVAL OF THE JUNE 2016 MINUTES: Howard asked for action on the July 2016 minutes. Sam Bell made a motion to approve the minutes which was seconded by Charlie Mosbrook. **All members present were in favor and the minutes were approved unanimously. Discussion was then held and a motion was made by Marc Lefkowitz and seconded by Charlie Mosbrook to give TAC's support and thanking the Police Chief for her willingness to maximize the sensitivity of the signal control boxes with a loop so bicyclist could activate the signal to change.**

RTA UPDATE:

Jonathan reported that Fall Service changes will take effect August 14. New schedules and RTA Fare and Paratransit Change Cards were shared with TAC members. **Howard recommended that City Council advocate on the issue of statewide public transportation funding in Ohio. Sam Bell made it an official motion and Kathy Petrey seconded the motion. All members present were in favor of the motion and it was approved unanimously.**

Discussion then turned to the van pool program V-Ride. RTA has approval to enter into contract with V-Ride and this will be connected with NOACA Ride Share Program. Jonathan was also asked about the mobile payment app progress and he stated that he would need to look that issue and report back. Kathy was concerned that Mr. Calabrese's response to the City was inadequate.

NEW BUSINESS:

Marc started the discussion on Safety and Review of Crash Data by saying that we must be able to travel safely through the community. He suggested that coming back to this topic to discuss why they happen and how to prevent crashes should remain on the agenda. Vision Zero campaigns can help and 10 cities have recently adopted them. Marc suggested getting the data, mapping it and seeing if patterns exist. Howard announced that NOACA used to put this data together from various sources and wondered how Cleveland Heights data could be used going forward. Gayle suggested TLCI's make communities more livable and explained how Olmsted Township used the study to put together data hot spots on a map to see where their areas area and to determine what could be done to improve those areas. Gayle suggested that TLCI puts the priorities of the residents in order. Marc will share a link to the map of accidents to TAC members and they can point out areas of this ODOT data to see concern areas. This item will remain on the agenda for the September meeting. Kathy asked if there is a pedestrian database like this and Marc replied that there is one and he would share it with the group.

Richard announced that staff is doing background work on the two highest ranking plans for the Top of the Hill. Council will select a plan which will allow negotiations to begin.

OLD BUSINESS:

Sgt. Butler announced that the Ardoon – Mayfield Road signal is up for re-examination. All lights will go back to regular signalization soon and then the rest will be turned off.

Discussion then turned to the Coventry-Fairmount intersection and concerns about traffic and pedestrian cross signals. After some discussion, the group agreed that each TAC member would visit the intersection (preferably a few times) while watching two full cycles of traffic and take notes on how traffic, pedestrians, bicyclists use or don't use the

intersection. Discussion will then be held at the September meeting with each person bringing their ideas to the group. Sam mentioned that there were comments on this intersection in the Master Plan draft and Jennifer will share those with the committee.

***NEXT MEETING DATE & ADJOURNMENT:* Members agreed that the next meeting of the Transportation Advisory Committee would Tuesday, September 27 at 7 PM.**

The meeting was adjourned at 9:07 PM.

Approved: September 27, 2016

Minutes note: Bolded items are official action items approved by TAC.