

August 26, 2018 Transportation Advisory Committee Meeting Minutes

Attendees: Sam Bell, Jeff Bendix, Chris Cummings, Mary Dunbar, Marc Lefkowitz, Howard Maier, Charlie Mosbrook, Sergeant Mary Grace Tokmenko, Richard Wong

Others in Attendance: Heights Bicycle Coalition President Steve Reinhart and University Circle Inc. Transportation Manager Annie Pease

Co-Chair Marc Lefkowitz called the meeting to order at 7:05 PM.

APPROVAL OF July 23, 2018 MINUTES: Mary moved to approve the minutes with the correction of a typo and Jeff seconded the motion which passed unanimously.

NEW BUSINESS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS:

- Annie Pease presented a Powerpoint show about transportation in University Circle. A map showed that the 44118 zip code had the highest density of University Circle employees. The data showed the demand for transportation from the eastern suburbs. The October, 2017 Circlelink BlueLink shuttle extension to Coventry along Mayfield Road created an option that, supported by real time route information and 30 minute headways, boosted ridership by 62%. A Heights AM shuttle runs up Cedar Hill to Cedar Fairmount, too. A NOACA grant was received to add signs along the route. Coventry boardings have become as numerous as boardings on the University Circle end of the route. Marc saw the route as potentially being supported by the Coventry merchants. Mary said a bike rack for the shuttle would cost \$1500 plus a \$400 installation cost. The Heights Bicycle Coalition, the Coventry merchants and the City may be funding sources for the rack on the BlueLink shuttle. **Sam moved to recommend that the City assist in funding a bike rack on the BlueLink and shuttle signs. Seconded by Charlie, the motion was unanimously approved.**
- Marc described pop-up infrastructure projects in Lakewood and Euclid. NOACA's Street Supplies and the Better Block foundation painted crosswalks and separated bike lane markings in Euclid.
- Sam suggested a pavement reduction at Fairmount and Coventry per the Master Plan illustration. Richard said Joe Kickel was open to looking at the intersection when plans are prepared for repaving Coventry. Chris asked about the scope and funding source. Howard explained that during his tenure at the City, Coventry at Euclid Heights had a pavement reduction that resulted in Coventryard park. Marc asked if a stop sign or raised intersection could be considered. Jeff suggested speed feedback signs. Marc suggested re-engaging the parents that had asked for the City to increase the level of pedestrian comfort crossing Fairmount at North St. James. Members sought a general discussion about lowering the speed limit on residential streets.
- Richard gave a Powerpoint show about the Master Plan's implementation. The Envisio dashboard on the City's website reports the City's progress on each action item and goal listed in the Master Plan. Slides were shown of various topics such as Cedar Hill's trail, stone wall landscaping and light enhancements. A study showed the trend toward automated vehicles which should greatly decrease individual car ownership by 2040. The zoning requirement will eventually be adjusted down to leave land for more productive uses. Noble, Taylor and Mayfield Road's opportunities for multimodal improvements were discussed. Capital Projects Manager Joe Kickel intends on constructing 900

ADA accessible ramps over seven years. Mary Grace asked if the back-in maneuver proposed on South Taylor would cause congestion. Members debated the merits of back-in angled parking and Charlie suggested using adjacent space for an ADA aisle. Marc initiated a discussion about Severance's future and its relationship to a multimodal Mayfield Road. Richard said the City now has parking maximums which would support more buildings than parking. Richard said he'd keep TAC informed of the City's activities.

- Mary said Walk or Bike to School Day will be Wednesday, October 10th. The City will provide flyers. The Noble-Quilliams intersection is planned to receive Safe Routes to School improvements. One other improvement is planned from the original grant. Joe Kickel is looking at applying for more Safe Routes to Schools projects. Marc mentioned the interest of parents that attended a TAC meeting wanting to make students' pedestrian routes better. Mary noted that the City did well receiving Safe Routes funds considering the limited amount of money available.

NEXT MEETING DATE AND ADJOURNMENT: Members agreed that the next meeting would be 7PM Wednesday, October 24. They adjourned at 9:02.

Approved:

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

2018 TRANSPORTATION ADVISORY COMMITTEE ATTENDANCE

	JAN.	FEB.	MAR.	APR.	MAY	JUN.	JUL.	AUG.	SEP.	OCT.	NOV.	DEC.
SAM BELL/BUSINESS	✓	✓	✓	⌘	✓	✓	✓	⌘	✓			
JEFFREY BENDIX/SCHOOLS	✓	✓	✓	⌘	✓	✗	✓	⌘	✓			
JONATHAN CIESLA/GCRTA	✓	✓	✓ ●	⌘	✓	✓	✓	⌘	✗			
CHRIS CUMMINGS/TRANSIT	✓	✗	✓	⌘	✗	✗	✗	⌘	✓			
MARC LEFKOWITZ/BIKES	✓	✓	✓	⌘	✗	✓	✓	⌘	✓			
GAYLE LEWIN/AT LARGE	✓	✓	✓	⌘	✓	✗	✓	⌘	✗			
HOWARD MAIER/AT LARGE	✓	✓	✓	⌘	✓	✗	✗	⌘	✓			
CHARLIE MOSBROOK/ADA	✓	✓	✓	⌘	✓	✗	✗	⌘	✓			
KATHY PETREY/PEDESTRIANS	✓	✗	✓	⌘	✗	✓	✓	⌘	✗			
MARY DUNBAR	✓	✓	✓	⌘	✓	✓	✓	⌘	✓			
JOE KICKEL/P. WORKS	✓	✗	✗	⌘	✓	✗	✗	⌘	✗			
SEAN GIDEON/POLICE	✓	✓	✗	⌘	✗	✗	✗	⌘	✓			
RICHARD WONG/PLANNING	✓	✓	✓	⌘	✓	✓	✓	⌘	✓			

⌘ = Meeting canceled ✗ = absent ✓ = present ● = Joel Freilich, GCRTA alternate attended