

John Hoobler

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PBTSAC Meeting Minutes

11.29.18

Attendees: Michael Paylor (MP); Jeff Dunckel (JD); George Branyan (GB); Tom Heyboer (TH); Kristy Daphnis (KD); Heidi Coleman (HC); Wade Holland (WH); Mara Parker (MP); Rachel Maleh (RM); Derek Gunn (DG); Tomas Bridle (TB); Dave Helms (DH); Leah Walton (LW); Nadji Kirby; Stephanie Webber

Minutes: KD called meeting to order at 7:06pm. Went around and did names.

JD: Ped safety is important. Greg Slater went before the County Council 11.13.18 and made the point that SHA is different and is no longer using cookie cutter approaches. SHA is moving towards context-sensitive design. SHA is looking at things differently now.

WH: Greg Slater mentioned lowering the speed limit to 30 mph in CBDs.

DG: The culture is there at a lower level too, even at the district level. MD 187 and MD 190 are both receiving speed limit reductions.

MP: Partnership between MCDOT and SHA is going to be the key to success.

JD: VR simulation of driving car is a new ped safety outreach tool.

GB: COG does this, great idea.

JD: If you set up dates for us, we will have the resources ready. It can focus on seniors as well, Leisure World, Riderwood, etc.

TH: Hans Riemer is drafting a letter re: using MD 97 as a pilot project.

KD: What should I bring to the CE Transition work group? Topics: Distraction, Cell phone, Better use of data. People brought up VZ at the last meeting.

KD: CE's team will issue a report in January 2019.

HC: Make sure we hold them accountable to implementing vs researching, etc.

GB: We need buy in for the VZ plan.

KD: HC and I met with Marc Elrich re: VZ during the election cycle.

WH: There are also 4 new County Council members to educate.

MP: I work for Mar Elrich; pedestrian safety was listed as 1 of his 3 indicators.

KD: I do not think we are starting from scratch.

MP: No one is interested in starting from scratch. We have certain trouble points, working with SHA, etc. There are engineering issues. We have the money now, let us focus on implementation.

KD: WH will give VZ update.

WH: VZ focuses on KSI (killed, severely injured)

WH: 2012-2016 is baseline.

RM: Do the targets factor in growth?

WH: No. VZ is focused on zero.

DG: Greg Slater's goal is not just fatalities, also severely injured, etc.

WH: VZ Coordinator is a contractor.

KD: Is the contractor permanent or will there be a County employee sometime down the line.

WH: Contract is 1 year with 2 renewal years, up to 10 Year Plan, etc.

KD: What is the scope of the job?

WH: 2 hats. First hat is PM/organization, etc. Second hat is community activist.

KD: Originally VZ coordinator was having someone come in and change the culture.

DG: We are looking at things we can be doing.

KD: Coordinate with Next Door/community advocates.

MP: Radio America is in the mall, reach out to them for safety education.

KD: What are the SHA/County collaboration projects?

WH: There are the Wheaton CBD projects, a trail in Olney, and other smaller scale projects.

TB: What is being done for developments during Planning review? Can we meet with MNCPPC?

TB: CIP approval process should include the question, "does this project adhere to VZ principles?"

TB: We need DOT, etc. to identify VZ projects to County Council so they can make informed funding decision.

DH: Need to add community involvement and political pressure.

KD: I will send you the document for comments.

TB: Move to draft testimony on MC 24-19 to present at bill hearing.

Seconded.

Approved unanimously.

LW: NTSB needs to be invited by bill sponsor. The 3rd Floor hearing room in mid-December.

KD: Bike Master Plan was passed, we support it.

TH: Council getting a lot of flak from neighborhood associations.

HC: Motion to write letter of support for CCT & Little Falls Parkway meeting.

Seconded.

Approved unanimously.

KD: Meeting adjourned at 9:36pm.