

**Greater Shady Grove  
Transportation Management District  
Advisory Committee  
May 2, 2018**

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**Voting**

**John Brandt** / Universities at Shady Grove  
**Ellen Poltilove** / Johns Hopkins University  
**McClellan Quinn** / EYA  
**Paul Yanoshik** / RE/MAX Realty Services

**Non-Voting**

**Joseph Allen** / Neighborhood Representative – Gaithersburg

**Ex Officio**

**Sandra Brecher** / Representing MC Dept. of Transportation (MCDOT) Director  
**Capt. Thomas Didone** / Montgomery County Police  
**Catherine Matthews** / Upcounty Regional Services Center  
**Alyssa Roff** / City of Gaithersburg

**Staff**

**Nakengi Byrd** / Montgomery County Commuter Services  
**Jim Carlson** / Montgomery County Commuter Services

**Absent**

**Ed Axler** / M-NCPPC  
**Dr. Antoine Banks** / Westside Neighborhood  
**Steven Kelley** / NIH-National Cancer Institute  
**Jordan Snow** / 1788 Holdings

**Guests**

**Jennifer Bolick** / Van Eperen  
**Gary Erenrich** / MCDOT  
**Gehmelle Johnson** / NCI

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**Item 1 & 2 – Introductions/Minutes:** Members and guests introduced themselves. September and November 2017 minutes were approved.

**Item 3 – Bicycle & Pedestrian Infrastructure Enhancements:** Garry Erenrich, MCDOT, reported that the County had applied for a grant from Transportation Planning Board, Transportation and Land Use Connection (TLC grant) to provide funding for underserved aspects of transportation. The grant will provide seed money to develop information and marketing for biking infrastructure and “green paint” markings.

The markings are in two locations currently with plans to distribute throughout the County, focusing on Bicycle Pedestrian Priority Areas (BiPPAs). Grant funds (\$60k) will also be used for two information videos, palm cards and a booklet, t-shirts and brochures by July 1, the grant deadline.

Features of the biking infrastructure information and markings include:

- Meanings of specific green paint zones
- “Look Out” branding catch phrase
- Bike boxes and how they relate to parking and separated bike lanes
- Floating bus stops-bus stops on a concrete island that separate passengers, bikes and vehicular traffic
- Discussion regarding the production of information videos – focus group input

Marketing collaterals (palm cards, info booklets):

- Procedures for parking along a bike lane for cars and cyclists
- Bike post barriers for bikes & vehicles-plastic construction for safety
- Plans to standardize safety features working with State Highway Administration for state road maintenance
- Issues with making floating bus stops ADA accessible
- Pocket lanes used for cyclist to not intermingle with right turning vehicles
- Cyclist in front of traffic at stop lights in driver’s view to give them a safe head start
- Designers are still figuring out right of way for cyclist to update brochures
- Continuing work on videos to make entertaining and informative

Other outreach efforts:

- Suggestions of working MVA to put info in driver’s handbooks, in schools, buses and at gas stations
- Yellow “Look Out” t-shirts and street teams

**Item 4 – Employer Traffic Mitigation Plan Annual Reports:** Five employers submitted TMP annual reports. All complied with the eight required plan elements plus have implemented additional voluntary measures at their work sites. The Committee recommended approval to the DOT Director.

**Item 5 – Marketing Outreach Update:** Van Eperen reported:

- They are working with employers to complete TMPs and TMP annual reports
- Promoting the upcoming Bike to Work Day to area businesses and employees
- Bike to College day at Montgomery College at Rockville & Takoma Park campuses was a success

**Item 6 – Updates:**

- Bike to Work Day events at Falls Grove & Great Seneca in the AM & at Gaithersburg MARC Station 4-6 pm
- Pop-up bike lane in downtown Bethesda and adding Bike To Work Day pit stop on Bethesda Avenue-working with Bethesda Urban Partnership (BUP)
- Mobile Commuter Store is doing well-more stops added
- Green Fest and Move More Montgomery coming up 5/5/18
- Discussion regarding Crabbs Branch traffic calming efforts due to high amount of crashes -no room for traffic calming but will implement speed cameras as an alternative
- A thank you to Paul Yanoshik for his presentation at the County Executive FY19 operating budget priority meeting
- Eastside of the Red Line closure in July
- Farmers Market starting at Johns Hopkins in two weeks – 11-2 pm Wednesdays
- Tour de Cookie

**Capt. Tom Didone** discussed the implementation of high-intensity activated crosswalk (HAWKs) signal usage. HAWK beacons were initially not approved for use by SHA due to perceived liability issues and that they were not recommended in the Manual Uniform Traffic Control devices handbook. However, the General Assembly ruled they could be used. The pedestrian activated signals work by flashing a yellow beacon warning drivers, then red directing them to stop, next proceeding to flashing red as to not hold up traffic. This allows the signal to not have to sync with traffic existing traffic signals.

**Capt. Didone** also announced:

- The *Road to Zero* National Conference – to educate officials on the need to protect the undereducated, vulnerable users (motorcycle drivers) by safer engineering of traffic infrastructure

**Adjourn:** Next meeting date – July 5, 2018