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Notes

Pedestrian and Bicycling Access and Safety Working Group

Wednesday, July 12th, 7:00 pm

Via Zoom Video Conference

Zoom recording here: https://us02web.zoom.us/rec/play/XDENq-JagVTX_-rMk8vsjQGGEU2LV4pnA_sBlfEm4LWNdEGHN9A0eNYBSmxUA6m3K176jc4PI_a8b1.BpMr9Z8ffcrfxtvK?continueMode=true
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Working Group Chairs participating: Nate Engle and Chris Zappi

Working Group Members participating: Chris Quay, Alison Durland, Alan Simon, Jonathan Rogers, Art Witzcak, Carole O'Toole, Marla Hollander

Notes:

Updates

- TLC grant
 - Nate updated on the status of the TLC grant report. It should be finalized and ready to disseminate next week, including the 10% design on three of the options/recommendations.
- BPPA plan
 - SHA will schedule a kick-off meeting with the Consultant and Town once the TLC grant is finished. TLC grant will inform the BPPA plan.

Funding opportunities tracking

- Chris presented the updated tracking sheet.
- Jonathan confirmed that the Federal grants are fairly involved and technical, including cost-benefit analysis. Flagged those that we can do as a WG with support of Town Staff.
- **Chris to pull from the TLC Grant recommendations and add to the sheet, as well as the funding cycles.** The list will be an evolving resource and will inform investment priorities from the TLC grant and other needs and opportunities for the Town.

Prioritization of activities and identification of work teams

- The WG decided upon the following work team themes [WG leads in blue and parentheses]:
 1. **Prioritizing improvement programs** (matching and sequencing funding streams to tackle a key set of recommendations and priorities, such as TLC grant recommendations, Kensington Parkway path, connectivity throughout, improving rail crossings and CSX engagement, etc.). [Jon, Chris Z., Carole]
 2. **TLC implementation and BPPA plan development.** [Nate and Chris Z.]
 3. **Fall walkability/bike-ability audit** [Chris Z. and Alan]
 - Organize and plan for the audit process
 - Revisit previous prioritization process for remaining 'quick wins'
 4. **Events and outreach** [Art and Alison]
 - Walktober event. Walkability audit kick-off and engagement/training. Labor Day Parade and Kensington 8K outreach. Consider SSL hours for the walk audits. [Marla – youth engagement]
 5. **Communications and education** [Marla, Carole, Chris Q.]
 - 1-pager on PBASWG accomplishments
 - Neighborhood educational ride/skills building and/or food bike tour – could be combined with a Walktober event
 - Map of bike-friendly areas of town (bike racks) and suggested walking/biking routes [Alan and Art]
- Agreed to push the following to a future year:
 1. Installation of traffic gardens and bike skill tracks in new developments (e.g., HOC building).
 2. Revisit e-bike and e-scooter discussion with MCDOT and Town Council.
- **All WG participants not in the meeting to indicate which of these five thematic teams they would like to support (requesting at least one per person).**
- In lieu of an August meeting, **work teams to meet separately between now and September meeting.**

AOB and upcoming dates

- Next meeting: **September 6, at Art Witsak's home** (weather permitting). Topics to include work team updates; tactical urbanism – visualizing options.
- Walktober event. **WG to let chairs know if Oct 15 or 29 is preferred.**
- **Alison to lead the drafting of the August Around the Town Journal update for the PBASWG.**