

Mayor Tracey Furman

**Council Member Darin Bartram
Council Member Nate Engle**



**Council Member Conor Crimmins
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Notes

Pedestrian and Bicycling Access and Safety Working Group

May 25th, 2023, 7:00 pm

BabyCat Brewery

Participants: Nate Engle, Chris Zappi, Jonathan Rogers, Jamie Keller, Michael Lyons, Alan Simon, Carole O'Toole, Chris Quay, Johanna Bajc, Leslie Olson, Marla Hollander, Alison Durland

Discussion:

1. Farewells, welcomes, and congratulations!
 - Thanked Chris Zappi for his service as co-chair
 - Welcomed Johanna Bajc to the WG
2. New co-chair appointment
 - Unanimously agreed on Alan Simon to serve as new co-chair
3. Walkability/bikeability audit presentation – May 8th Town Council meeting
 - Recapped on the presentation and discussion. Well-received by the Town Council.
 - Agreed on the need to explore integration of audit process/outcomes with GIS (including County's system) and consider developing a story map that highlights key areas of activity and improvement, including activities outside of the audit process like the TLC grant recs and progress with SHA.
 - Discussed point about protecting pedestrians from e-bikes and agreed to consider this at a later time, if need be.
 - **Michael to help with GIS integration ideas.**
 - **Nate, Alan, and Jonathan to meet with Matt in the next few weeks** to walk through audit recommendations and see if there is a way to "package" them as campaigns (see point 5, below).
4. Brochure and logo finalizing
 - Handed out the new brochures. **Nate to follow up on the suggestion to include these in new residents' welcome baskets.**
5. Packaging as "campaigns"
 - Discussed the idea that the "campaigns" coming out of the audit recommendations, and any ped/bike infrastructure improvements being made, should include a mini-event (e.g., ribbon-cutting ceremony) that can be leveraged as an education and outreach opportunity.

6. BPPA public meeting reminder

- Public input workshop for the Kensington BPPA plan will take place Thursday, June 1 at Town Hall from 5-7pm. **Nate to send invite to WG to then pass along to neighborhood listservs in our immediate vicinity.**
- Discussed the Summit Avenue Extension project and the ULI TAP process that the Town will embark on over the coming months, as well as developments around this part of Town that will likely impact pedestrian and bicycling access and safety.

7. AOB

- Interest in forming a workstream on CSX tracks crossing safety and improvements next year.
- Interest in forming a workstream on improving bike rack network and capital bike share docking station promotion next year.
- Agreed to discuss these and other priorities for FY24 work at our summer meeting, to be sometime in mid-July (TBD).