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



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Notes

**Pedestrian and Bicycling Access and Safety Working Group
June 10th, 2024, 7:00 pm
Town Hall**

Participation

Carole, Anne-Marie, Marla, Jamie, Alan, Jonathan, Michael, Peter, Chris, Nate

WG discussed the following priorities – those present interested in being a part of these workstreams, noted in *italics*:

Bikeway/Side-paths

- Knowles side-path and safety improvements, access to the library, etc.
- Kensington Parkway side-path
- Open more dialogue with neighboring jurisdictions on biking and walking plans/connectivity. Can situate this dialogue around a grant proposal and studying these issues for each potential stretch.
- Interested = *Peter, Alan, Anne-Marie*

CSX Crossing and Metropolitan Ave.

- Meeting with Del. Solomon recap by Carole and Michael. Materials for crossing improvements need to be studied, crosswalk (overhead not until 3rd track built), addressing over-signing, and warning signal improvements in the works.
- Grant could be pursued to analyze CSX track crossing/diversion. Sinking them, path under, bridge over.
- ***Nate to ask Matt status of the Connecticut Ave separated bridge.***
- North parking lot access – stop sign.
- Next year will need to focus goals. Short-term fixes, guided by a grant proposal for longer-term solutions.
- Interested = *Carole, Michael, Chris*

BPPA Plan and CT Ave Corridor Study

- Implementing and prioritizing recommendations from these plans.
- To be brought together in a letter request/prioritizing improvements coming from these studies – to SHA and MCDOT.
- Interested = *Anne-Marie*

Walkability Audit

- 108 segments.
- Last time, 14 auditors. 48 have photos from last audit.
- 15 people, 6 segments per person. Goal to do Nov/Dec.

- No need to do a training during Walktober.
- Workstream goals would be to verify previous audits' information is up-to-date. Add photos if not complete. And determine how to prioritize amongst improvements. Maybe focus explicitly on Town roads.
- Use App. Meet with Eli Glazier – link with County efforts.
- Emphasis on where to site bike racks.
- Interested = *Alan, Michael*, plus everyone else support through the auditing itself

Tactical Urbanism

- Still waiting for pilot to go forward. **Nate to ask Matt about parameters of the pilot design so we can work on issuing call for proposals to local artists.**
- Anne-Marie can be resource for potential design help.
- Interested = *Marla, Peter*

Walktober

- Interested = *Alison, Marla, and Carole*

Other issues discussed

- Bike parking infrastructure – agreed to include as a specific focus of this year's audit in Nov/Dec.
- Pedestrian near-misses. How to work with County to improve? Leading Pedestrian Intervals, no right-turn on red, etc. Letter to the State and County. Ask to analyze intersections and crosswalks, as outlined in the BPPA plan – agreed to include as part of the BPPA and CT Ave Corridor Study implementation workstream.

Next meeting: August 27th, 7:30. To discuss: Plans for each workstream; everyone identify where they will support; Walktober plans.