Fairfax County Trails, Sidewalks and Bikeways Committee Meeting Notes

Regular Meeting – 7:00pm, May 8

Location:

Location: Fairfax County Government Center, 12000 Government Center Pkwy, Fairfax, VA 22035, Conference Room 5

Web Site: https://www.fairfaxcounty.gov/transportation/trails

Note-Taker: Jeff Anderson

Committee Members in Attendance: Ken Comer (At-large, Chair), Bob Cosgriff (Braddock, Vice Chair) Jim Klein (Mt Vernon), Karl Liebert (Springfield), Stiven Foster (Providence), James Albright (Mason), Soledad Portilla (Northern Virginia Builder's Industry Association), Jeff Anderson (Hunter Mill), Beth Iannetta (Fairfax County Park Authority), Katie McDaniel (Clifton Horse Society), Shawn Newman (Fairfax Alliance for Better Bicycling)

Committee Members Absent:, Not Represented (Fairfax Area Disability Services Board), Not Represented (WABA), Mark Tipton (Fairfax County Federation of Citizens Associations), Dan Iglhaut (Northern Virginia Regional Park Authority), Wade Smith (Dranesville), Robert Michie (Lee), Karen Ampeh (Sully)

Others in Attendance: Howard Alpers, Supervisor Smith, Chris Wells (Fairfax County Department of Transportation), Nicole Wynands (Fairfax County Department of Transportation)

The meeting was called to order by Representative At-Large and Chairman Ken Comer at 7:04pm.

Agenda and Discussion Topics

Old Business

Approval of the Minutes

The minutes from April, 2019 were not approved as they could not be located. Chris Wells to follow up w/ Mackenzie Jarvis.

Staff Report

- Issues with VDOT re: paving plan. FCDOT needs to be in field or communicate with VDOT the plans to ensure they are striped correctly. Paving process explained
- Funding discussion: Pedestrian Safety Action Plan, TAP, SRTS. Potential renewal for 2019 for PSAP and SRTS.

- Alexandria Families for Safe Streets meeting. Re: Expanding advocacy to Fairfax County. AFSS is a victim rights advocacy group in the City of Alexandria. Met w/ FCDOT and Supervisor McKay. Follow up? FABB? Other groups?
- Street Smart Campaign launch on 23 April. Supervisors McKay and Storck present as well as regional and state law enforcement.
 Question raised: Why does FCPD not have a position on the committee? Discussion about frequency, data to be shared, rotate quarterly FCPD/VDOT/other? How has Street Smart campaign been pushed out to FCPD staff/pushed out to public? Discussion covered rights/responsibilities re: VA law Do Not Cross signals / Pedestrians etc etc.

• ACTION: Invite FCPD to come to TSB meeting as a means to increase engagement/have regular interaction at meetings.

- Bike To Work Day 17 May coming up. FCDOT pitstop expansion. More flexible -bike any day and get a tshirt. Need to register on FC site then pick up at FC Govt Center. Mitre new private partner though had been doing it for years on own. Discussion about non-english speaking community re: bike to work day messaging
- Capital BikeShare Merrifield 22 May, FYI: Falls Church City launch too. More locations coming
- Committee Roles/Responsibility Follow up w/ information to committee as a whole. How to work more smoothly. Discussion about waivers re: BMP etc. FCDOT explained waiver process.
- Budget discussion. \$540k requested. 3rd Qtr and Carry over discussion. RE: How will BMP get updated. Discussion around budget break out.
- BMP input. TSB Members are key stakeholders. Waivers/Trails Plan/Community input were historically roles of TSB. Some discussion around that and Trails/BMP merge. BMP is referenced a lot by staff as 'gospel' thus needs updating and merging w/ Trails. FCPA input needed on access to parks. How to give best input to BMP. Other plans to be given to TSB Committee by FCDOT.
- FCPA indicated Samantha Hudson w/ FCPA will present on PROSA (Parks, Recreation, Open Space, and Access) plan.
- Review other active transportation plans by FCDOT and TSB.

Discussion

No further business on the agenda was addressed.

Announcements and Adjournment

Meeting adjourned at 9:00 pm