



Funding Safer Pedestrian and Bicycle Facilities October 2021 Joint Board Matter

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Background

- Despite significant past commitments by the Board, **new pedestrian and bicycle projects lack funding.**
- **Current funding is committed to approved projects through FY 2025.** List of Currently Funded Pedestrian and Bicycle Projects (Attachment 9)
- Board has expanded safe bicycle and pedestrian access for County residents, and **the Board has emphasized this importance** especially near schools, parks, activity and revitalization centers, and transit station areas.



Background

- During the pandemic, **pedestrian and bicycle activity increased considerably.**
- However, the increased interest also **highlighted the inadequacies of our infrastructure.**



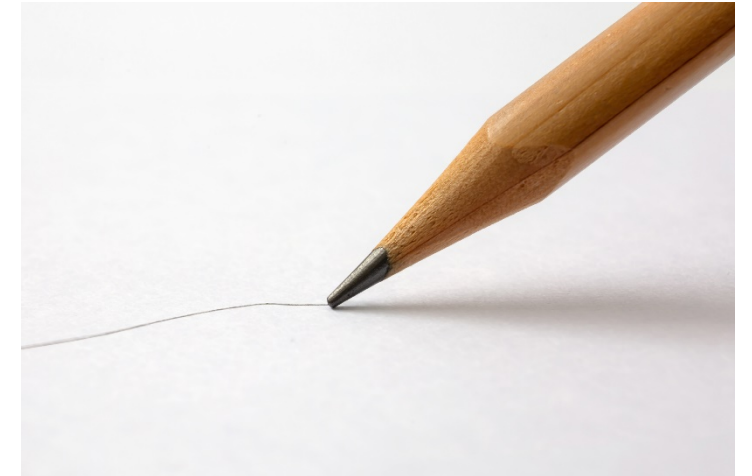
Board Direction (Joint Board Matter October 5, 2021)

- Make one-time investments in pedestrian and bicycle infrastructure. **Goal through FY 2027 shall be at least \$100 million** in new funding.
- Identify **new funding during FY 2022.**
- **Compile a list** of previously identified and currently unfunded pedestrian and bicycle projects.
- Recommend **criteria for evaluation** of projects to be funded in FY 2022, and in FY 2023 and beyond.



Unfunded Pedestrian and Bicycle Projects

- **List of Deferred TPP Projects**, originally approved in January 2014, updated December 2019 (Attachment 2)
- **List of Projects Recommended in Public Studies**, conducted since January 2014 (Attachment 3)
- **List of Unfunded Requests** (Attachment 4)
- **List of Small Gaps and Crosswalk Projects**, compiled by staff to be considered (Attachment 5)
- **List of Barriers Reported by Public in ActiveFairfax Transportation Plan Outreach** (Attachment 6)



Unfunded Pedestrian and Bicycle Maintenance

- **List of County Maintenance Projects (Attachment 7)**
- **List of County-Maintained Rectangular Rapid Flash Beacon (RRFB) Locations (Attachment 8)**



Process and Criteria for Evaluation of Projects

- **Four-step process** to analyze hundreds of potential projects using data criteria (Attachment 1)
- **Step 1 - identify projects with the greatest public benefit:**
 - Public Demand
 - Public Need
 - Safety
 - Regional connectivity
 - Board member input
 - Community and stakeholder input



Process and Criteria for Evaluation of Projects

- Step 2 - **Include additional key projects** prioritized for other reasons such as school safety, placemaking and economic development.
- Step 3 - refine and **develop a short list** of potential projects.
- Step 4 - complete **final evaluation** of short-listed projects by feasibility, relative costs, constructability, property and environmental impacts.
- Step 5 - Board consideration and action





Feedback requested from the Board:

- Is the Proposed Evaluation Methodology in Attachment 1 acceptable?
- In addition to the projects identified in Attachments 2 to 7, are there any other projects Board Members would like to have considered?

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