Meeting Minutes Wilmington Urban Area Metropolitan Planning Organization Bicycle and Pedestrian Advisory Committee

Date: June 23, 2016

Members Present:

Chris O'Keefe, Cape Fear Public Transportation Authority
Al Sharp, City of Wilmington
Steve Whitney, Brunswick County
Shawn Spencer, New Hanover County
Tom Campbell, Town of Carolina Beach
Carol Stein, Pender County
Joe Boyd, Town of Belville
Neil Brooks, Town of Leland
Karin Mills, City of Wilmington
Matt Hogan, NC Board of Transportation

Additional Guests:

Beth Doliboa, WMPO
Adrienne Harrington, WMPO
Patrick Riddle, NCDOT
Bethel Paris, East Coast Greenway
Lisa Riegel, BikeWalkNC
John Townsend, NHC Planning
Bastian Schroeder, Kittelson & Associates, Inc.

1. Call to order

C. O'Keefe called meeting to order at 3:07pm.

2. Approval of Minutes from May 26, 2016

- S. Whitney made motion to approve the minutes for May 26, 2016 motion seconded by
- T. Campbell and it carried unanimously.

3. New Business

• Section 6 and 7 Update: The committee discussed the projects along Kerr Ave and the funding sources associated with the projects. Due to the secured funding of the City of Wilmington Transportation Bond the removal of projects 89 and 253 were suggested. Project 83, Delaney Ave was proposed for removal as result of the parallel high priority facilities along 17th Ave. There was discussion of adding projects along Canterbury Rd off of Independence Blvd and resulted in the decision to leave the neighborhood as is, due to the fact that the roads are already low volume and are listed on the Bike Suitability Map. The rerouting of project 257, Savannah Ct to Graymont Dr was proposed, A. Harrington stated that she would further investigate who maintains the area to verify if rerouting is an option. The addition of a project on Gillette Dr to connect the road to the Cross City Trail along Independence Blvd was proposed as a low priority project. The committee discussed project 568, Love Grove and its need to be moved to high priority to emphasize the need for bikeped facilities, discussion concluded in leaving the project as is following a project update at the next meeting. Front St and Burnett Blvd were discussed for additional bikeped facilities, U-5734 was discussed and A. Harrington reminded the committee of plans to direct bicycle traffic to 5th Ave to avoid freight traffic. Projects 85, 86, 87 were also suggested for removal whereas funding is

secured through the Transportation Bond. C. O'Keefe reminded the committee that this is the first round of section edits and that there will be an opportunity to add/edit/remove projects before the next MTP is adopted.

- Bike to Work Week Presentation: A. Harrington did a presentation on the results of the 2016 Bike to Work Week. The goals for number of participants were met with 254 participants. The employer challenge winners were New Hanover Regional Medical Center and Bike Cycles. A. Harrington discussed lessons learned and ideas for the next year's Bike to Work Week.
- BikeWalk NC Presentation: Lisa Riegel, Executive Director of BikeWalkNC presented on the organizations goals and missions discussing policies they support, their partners, and their role in advocating biking in the state of North Carolina.

5. Announcements

A. Harrington informed the committee that the WMPO recently updated the Cross City Trail, River to Sea and the Bike Suitability Maps, and will have a distribution list for the August BPC meeting.

6. Next meeting

• August 25, 2016

7. Adjournment

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