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**Meeting Minutes**  
**2050 MTP Citizen Advisory Committee (CAC)**  
**January 17, 2024**

**Members Present:**

Paul Loukas, Chairman, Town of Wrightsville Beach  
David Branton, Vice Chairman, City of Wilmington  
John Cawthorne, Town of Kure Beach  
Tyler Cralle, CFPTA (Wave Transit)  
Tracy Manning, Town of Belville

**Members Absent:**

Dan Adams, Town of Carolina Beach  
Damien Buchanan, Pender County  
Will Daube, City of Wilmington  
Trish Farnham, Town of Leland  
Rich Leary, Brunswick County  
Myesha Patrick, Town of Navassa

**Staff and Guests Present:**

Vanessa Lacer, WMPO Senior Planner  
Carolyn Caggia, Associate Transportation Planner/TDM Coordinator  
Greer Templer, GIS Analyst  
Emma Stogner, Associate Transportation Planner

1. Call to Order
  - a. Chairman Loukas called the meeting to order at 2:04pm.
  - b. Due to a lack of quorum, the meeting proceeded to the presentation and discussion.
2. Presentations
  - a. Phase 1 MTP Public Outreach Results | Vanessa Lacer  
Ms. Lacer overviewed the results of Phase 1 of the MTP public outreach strategy. Following the presentation, the committee asked questions about how the comments will be incorporated into the plan and how the plan will be implemented. WMPO staff spoke about the WMPO's role in connecting local communities to federal funding, as well as the plan's purpose as a guiding document for other plans which include transportation elements. WMPO staff also answered questions related to the data collected during Phase 1 and what was learned throughout that process.

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3. Discussion

a. CAC Feedback and Next Steps | Vanessa Lacer

The committee discussed what they thought went well and what could be changed in the future to create better results. Suggestions included expanding committee membership to reach more communities, partner with other or existing community events to get the word out, and the addition of more frequent, less formal meetings to have a more dynamic response to outreach. The committee members provided ideas on other locations to host pop-up events or provide information, such as planning board meetings, parks, breweries, and within community or HOA newsletters. Committee members also voiced an interest in receiving quarterly MTP updates to stay informed on the process while they are not meeting.

4. Next Meeting

a. WMPO staff announced the next meeting would take place in June 2025, with time and location to be determined.

5. Adjourn

a. Chairman Loukas adjourned the meeting at 3:00pm.

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Presentations

Phase I MTP Public Outreach Results | Vanessa Lacer

- 1) Discussion
  - a. Survey Update | Emma Stogner
    - i. Ms. Stogner provided survey results to-date including number of responses, areas meeting response goals and areas not meeting responses goals. Ms. Stogner also discussed how survey goals aligned with demographic data for the region. Committee members had questions about the total number of desired survey responses and how many responses were received from area visitors versus residents.
- 2) Next Meeting
  - a. The next meeting will take place on January 17, 2024, at 2:00PM.
- 3) Adjourn
  - a. The motion to adjourn was made by Vice Chair David Branton.
  - b. The motion was seconded by Rich Leary.
  - c. The motion passed unanimously, and the meeting adjourned at 3:00pm.