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## MINUTES

### **Bicycle and Pedestrian Subcommittee of the Transportation Policy Advisory Committee**

March 5, 2018 5:30 PM  
2<sup>nd</sup> floor Conference Room  
City Hall, 41 Green Street, Concord, NH

Members Present:

Craig Tufts (Co-Chair)  
Ursula Maldonado (Co-Chair)  
Robert Baker  
Dick Lemieux  
John Stoll, Senior Planner  
Jeffrey Warner (staff representative)

Members Not Present:

Karen Craver  
Greg Bakos  
David Sky

Guests:

#### **Committee – review / accept minutes**

Review of the February minutes were tabled until April.

#### **I-93 Bow Concord**

Craig reported that TPAC was dissatisfied with the preferred alternative selected by NHDOT and that TPAC is working on a letter outlining the concerns. Craig noted that comments should be submitted to NHDOT before the public meeting which is scheduled for May. Once the public meeting is complete, it sets the stage for NEPA and right-of-way. TPAC will review past studies which outline the vision for the City (2030 Master Plan, Opportunity Corridor, etc.). The preferred alternative appears to undermine the City's vision. TPAC-BP should review the alternatives and ensure that pedestrian and bicycle accommodations are provided.

#### **Traffic Signals**

Jeff reported that the video detection at North State/Penacook/Horseshoe Pond and Main/Pleasant have been adjusted and that people should give them a try and report if the signals work for them or not.

After listening to Rob Mack, Traffic Engineer, at the February meeting, TPAC-BP will recommend to TPAC that City Council return the funding levels to the 2017 levels. The improvements proposed provide easy/important upgrades to the system for all road users including: lead pedestrian interval, detection of bicycles and motorcycles, coordination with adjacent signals, uniformity in signal controls between intersections, and flashing yellow arrows.

### **CIP #17: Sidewalk, Bikeway, and Streetscape Improvements**

TPAC-BP will review the Master Plans and brainstorm to see what, if any projects should be included in future budgets under CIP 17.

### **City Fiscal Year 2019 Paving Program**

Craig discussed TPAC-BP's desire to reconfigure the striping along streets which are being paved this year with Councilor Todd. Relative to Community Drive, Councilor Todd indicated that he was aware of the project and community concerns along the street. Craig reviewed the Safe Routes to School Travel Plan and did not find any specific recommendations regarding changes along Community Drive. The committee tabled the issue.

### **Bike Share Update**

The City remains interested in a bike share program. John indicated that there wasn't anything new to report.

### **Bikes of March**

The Central NH Bicycling Coalition cancelled Bike of March for 2018.

### **Private Development Update/Plan Reviews**

John reported that the two developments of note: Advantage Plastics on Henniker Street and Concord Hospital's Ambulatory Health Care Building include bicycle parking as part of the design.

### **Landscaping at the Exit 16 Roundabout**

After the conclusion of the construction of the Exit 16 roundabout, Susanne Smith-Meyer sent a letter to City Council(?) expressing concern that the density of landscaping was not planted per the approved plan or as it was presented to the community. Ursula will reach out to the City Clerk and John will reach out to Susanne Smith-Meyer to obtain an update on the subject.

### **City Hall Bike Rack Replacement**

A replacement for the bike rack located on the City Hall campus which was removed during the heating conversion project from steam to gas has not been replaced. Jeff did not have any new information to share with the committee. Public Properties is aware of the lack of bike parking.