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Bicycle and Pedestrian Subcommittee of the Transportation Policy Advisory Committee

The Bicycle and Pedestrian Subcommittee of the Transportation Policy Advisory Committee met at 5:30 p.m., on September 2, 2019, in the second floor conference room, City Hall 41 Green Street.

Attendees: Craig Tufts, Ursula Maldonado, Dick Lemieux, Greg Bakos

Absent: None

Staff: Sam Durfee, Senior Planner, Staff Representative

1. Minutes of the July 1, 2019 Meeting

Ursula motioned to approve the minutes of the July 1 meeting, Craig seconded. The motion passed unanimously.

2. Demonstration Project

Sam provided an update on the status of the demonstration project explaining that it has been approved by Council and an approval letter signed by the City Manager has been sent to the Southern NH Planning Commission to secure the materials. CPD has been informed of the project and has been requested to block off parking on South Street between Pillsbury and the schools the night before so that the project can be set up in the morning.

Craig stated that he would check in with the Central NH Bicycle Coalition to establish a list of CNHBC set up, take down and supervision volunteers and confirm the Coalition's commitment to supplying coffee/bagels for the set up crew.

The subcommittee discussed the need to measure success through counts and some sort of survey or other method of feedback. Sam said he would check with the City Manager if a survey administered either by the Planning Commission or the Bicycle Coalition would be appropriate. Such a survey could be paired with a fact sheet about the demonstration project with additional information/resources on other bicycle/pedestrian related initiatives and groups. Signage was discussed briefly and it was determined that simple A-frame signs at the entrances of the bike lanes directing bike and cars would be sufficient.

Dick suggested contacting the Concord Monitor, the Concord Insider and the Hippo to run advance articles informing readers of the scheduled event to boost turnout. Sam said he would work with the City's Public Information Officer on this effort.

3. Statewide Bike-Ped Plan Outreach

Craig provided an update on the progress of the Statewide Bike-Ped Plan and explained that the public meeting being put on in Concord will be to review a final draft, so if we want a public input meeting it will be up to CNHRPC and locals to put one on. The consultant team can provide us with meeting materials to host a meeting. The subcommittee discussed meeting formats and locations that would generate the greatest attendance. The idea of a casual pizza and discussion meeting at Constantly Pizza was supported. Once a meeting date, time and place is confirmed Sam will work with the City's PIO to spread the word.

4. Bike Friendly Community Application Update

Sam explained that a retroactive approval request for the submission of the Bike Friendly Community renewal application will be before Council on September 9th.

5. TPAC-BP Project List and Strategy

Nothing to report

6. I-93 Bow-Concord Update

Nothing to report

7. CNHBC Update

Nothing to report

8. Bikeshare Update

Sam stated that he plans to speak with Julie Chizmas of Nashua regarding VeoRide's recent release of scooters in the City. He will also follow up with VeoRide sometime this fall to discuss bikeshare in Concord.

9. Private Development Update/Plan Reviews

Nothing to report

10. Other Discussion Items

Dick asked if the lane striping on Pleasant Street had been painted and if it conforms to TPAC and Staff's recommendations.

Meeting adjourned at 7:05 PM