

Transportation Advisory Board Minutes

October 3, 2019 at 08.30 a.m.

City Hall, Commission Chambers 401 Park Ave. S. | Winter Park, Florida

Present

David Erne, Jill Hamilton Buss, Marc Reicher, Jonathan Thigpen, Alex Trauger

Absent

Steve Boyd, Tonya Mellen

Executive Summary

- 1. Election of Vice Chairman
- 2. Meeting Topic Schedule
- 3. Sidewalk Policy

ADMINISTRATIVE ITEMS

Meeting called to order

Chairman Thigpen called the meeting to order at 8:31 am.

Election of Vice Chairman

Alex Trauger nominated Marc Reicher for Vice-Chairman, seconded by Jill Hamilton Buss, motion carried unanimously.

Approval of minutes

Motion made by Marc Reicher, seconded by Alex Trauger to approve August 1, 2019, minutes as presented. Motion carried unanimously.

Chairman Report

Chm Thigpen introduced for discussion creating a schedule of topics to tackle during the current Board year. There is limited time before member changes could occur and a schedule will allow the Board to use their time during meetings more efficiently. This schedule will allow staff time to research and prepare materials as well as alerting Board members of upcoming topics. Topics could include transportation funding, bike tours, connectivity, road audits, prioritizing streets, sidewalk policy, accident reporting, project prioritizing, access management, and working with Transportation Planner. Mr. Thigpen will develop a calendar and present at November meeting for review and approval.

Staff Report

Mr. Marcotte commented that the Transportation List has been updated.

He highlighted the following projects:

New York Ave Pedestrian Intersection Improvements (CRA Project) - Preparing bid documents - All intersections from Fairbanks, north to Canton Ave to receive enhancement

Orange Ave Safety Improvement (FDOT) - Installed short term safety improvements. Neighborhood meeting schedule Oct. 29, 2019, to discuss long term plans.

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Quiet Zones - all physical improvements at grade crossings are in place. Gates have been installed, signals have been upgraded, controllers and housing in place. Working on updated traffic counts to file documents to implement quiet zones.

Cady Way Cycle Track - Purchased a curb machine and will be installing curb to replace the existing vertical barriers. Discussion ensued regarding barriers at driveways

Glenridge Way - sidewalk widening is complete and restoration is in progress.

Palmer Ave at bridge - RRFB are on order and will be installed as soon as we receive. Mr. Marcotte responded to questions.

Sidewalk Policy

Mr. Marcotte gave an overview of the sidewalk policy which will be included in the Mobility Plan. Mr. Lim reviewed the details of the old policy and current policy. The new policy will require 75% resident approval for neighborhoods who want sidewalks. Mr. Lim reviewed the steps, according to new policy, the City will take after a request for new sidewalks is received from a resident. Another aspect of the Mobility Plan sidewalk policy is focused on larger roads where the city identifies areas where sidewalks will improve safety and mobility. Adding new construction guidelines for sidewalks to the policy is in discussion as well. Discussion ensued.

Public Comments

Ms. Stefani McGrath, 655 Palmer Ave., expressed concern with traffic issues on Palmer Ave. She offered suggestions for a more accurate count and a request for additional signage.

Police Report

Sgt Marcum provided the detailed crash statistics: September:

- 1. cyclist W. Fairbanks, vehicle at fault,
- 2. pedestrian, Dunraven, pedestrian at fault,
- 3. cyclist, Orlando and Garden, vehicle at fault
- 4. cyclist Whitehall and Lakemont, vehicle at fault

Board requested a plot of accidents for a 5 year period. Discussion ensued as to providing that. Staff will look into options to provide.

Development Report

Ms. McGillis updated the Board on current status of Orange Avenue Project and the hotel on Lk Killarney. She responded to questions. She will provide a copy of the hotel plan at the November meeting.

Sustainability Report

Mr. Moore updated the board for Ms. Balta Cook:

Presenting on the EV Ordinance to the Commission during their November 11th Worksession

We have been working with Fleet, Finance and Administration to ID opportunities for alternative fuel (EV/Plugin Electric Hybrids) fleet replacements for FY2020

Reminder that we will be holding an Electronics and Used Shoes Collection event on Saturday, November 16th from 9am-12pm in the City Hall Parking Lot (more information available at cityofwinterpark.eventbrite.com)

Ms. Hamilton-Buss mentioned that at the Orange Ave. meeting it was observed that City of Orlando had approved electric scooters, the Board needs to keep that discussion on their radar. She also mentioned that a comment about Denning was left on the Next Door Neighbor app. The City of Orlando installed a graphic crosswalk and is requesting feedback. The Board discussed possible locations for the same in Winter Park.

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Mr. Erne announced Bike Orlando's Open House at the First United Methodist Church, 142 E. Jackson St, on October 3, 2019, 5:30 - 7 p.m.

Adjourn

Chm. Thigpen adjourned the meeting at 10:00 am. Next meeting is November 7, 2019.

Respectfully Submitted,

Recording Secretary
Debbie Wilkerson
Approved 11/7/19