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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 virtually at 5:30 p.m., on December 14, 2020, via Zoom.

Attendees: Craig Tufts, Greg Bakos, Boyd Smith

Staff: Sam Durfee, Senior Planner, Staff Representative

1. Minutes of the October 5, 2020 Meeting

Greg motioned to approve the minutes of the October 5 meeting, Boyd seconded. The motion passed unanimously.

2. Sidewalk Priority List

The subcommittee reviewed the ranking of the sidewalk priority list. Overall, the group felt that the rankings were a fair representation of the need for a sidewalk in a given area, but stressed that in no way was this list meant to serve as a recommendation of an order in which sidewalks should be constructed. The rankings do not contemplate cost of construction. The list can aid in identifying projects that could be coordinated with the paving plan as opposed to large project that may need to be programed independently in the CIP or are candidates for opportunities like TAP.

Craig motioned to send the sidewalk priority list, along with a cover memo that Sam will draft to full TPAC. Boyd seconded, the motion passed unanimously.

3. South State and West Street Intersection Lane Striping

Craig shared with the group a proposed striping plan for the South State and West Street intersection. As proposed, West St on the eastern side of South St would be striped with a through and left turn lane and a right turn lane. The group took rough measurements of the pavement width using GIS and determined that a 5-foot bike lane would be able to fit between

the two proposed lanes, if the lanes were each reduced to 11 feet in width. Craig motioned to recommend to TPAC 11-foot lanes with a 5-foot bike lane in the middle. Boyd seconded. The motion passed unanimously. Sam will bring this idea to Engineering.

4. Transportation Alternative Program Grant Round

NHDOT has posted on their website that a TAP round is expected in January. A letter of interest would be the first step in the application. There was no other information available. TPAC PB continues to support the City applying for TAP funds for sidewalk construction or trail building.

5. General Transportation Project Updates

Sam stated that Council has seen the HDR presentation and seem to be leaning towards the two-girder option which could provide for shared-use paths on both sides of the bridge. At the full TPAC meeting on December 17, 2020, it was shared that the current layout supports one, wider shared-use path and an additional travel lane.

6. CNHBC Update

Craig reported that the Bicycle Coalition is working on a program to construct a movable bike shelter that can fit in a car parking space. CNHBC and others in Massachusetts are working together with Market Basket to move this shelter around to various Market Basket locations. The Concord MB locations are not on the initial list because they lease and do not own the parking lot. Perhaps at a later date if this pilot is successful, this shelter will be available for the Concord MB locations or other locations. The structure will be owned by CNHBC after the pilot is completed. Tim Blagden is leading the effort.

7. Private Development

Sam shared with the subcommittee that the public hearing for the Brixmor development is being continued to the January Planning Board meeting.

8. Other Discussion Items

Nothing to report.

Meeting adjourned at 6:23PM