



May 21, 2019
7:00 PM

Alfonso Elder Student Union, Room 136
NC Central University, 2115 Fayetteville St., Durham

MINUTES

I. Call to Order, Introductions, Excused Absences 7:05

Present: Susanne Schmal, Amanda De Hoedt, Ed Rizzuto, Julia Katz, Emily Egge, Aidil Ortiz, Michael Moorman, Jeremy Thornhill, Dan Clever, Cha'ssem Anderson, Greg Stewart, Ivona Piper, Javiera Caballero, Heidi Carter

Excused Absences: None

Staff: Dale McKeel, Anne Phillips, Robin Baker, Justin Henderson

Guests: Tom Ten Eyck, Allison Shauger, John Porter, Molly Cook, Jen McDuffie

II. Public Comments 7:05

There were none

III. Priority Committee Items 7:07

PIE

- suggestion offered to add examples of good speed management examples
 - highlight 1/3 of accidents are due to speed issues
 - IT will provide data to Transportation to craft the action plan and we should mention support for that in the letter
 - point out recent crashes and the importance of speed management in those cases
 - Michael moved to approve the letter with the various recommendations that were discussed.
- Motion was approved.

Dale submitted a need for a letter of support for an upcoming grant application. The grant will allow the city to suggest a project on Fayetteville between Lakewood and Umstead for general pedestrian improvements. Also, helps access to Lincoln Health, the library, and the local schools. Another project that would be mentioned on Avondale near Geer St. The third project is up for negotiation and they would like to keep the focus on a project with a high equitable development focus.

A suggestion was made to highlight our commitment to Vision Zero. Jeremy moved to approve the letter with minor edits. Letter was approved.

IV. Participatory Budgeting (PB) 7:28

- Objective for today's meeting - Robin and Justin were our speakers today
- Participatory Budgeting
 - Received over 500 ideas from residents from about one quarter of outreach last year
 - Really generated good conversation about the
 - streets and sidewalks were the most submitted projects, parks and recreation was the next most popular types of projects

- the majority of people who participated in this process were people of color.
- Ward 3 had the highest # of submissions for streets and sidewalks (61%)
- there is a PB steering committee that guides the whole process
- all projects are graded by equity, impact and feasibility (projects meant to be completed within 3 years)
- budget delegates worked weekly to do community research for proposal development
- PB focuses on equity and marginalized communities

- Review of transportation-related projects submitted to PB

- bus shelters, pedestrian islands, sidewalks
- current projects aren't projects that are being funded by ½ cent tax
- no trail projects
- no bike lanes proposed in high impact areas

- Proposed Projects

- Bus shelters on Fayetteville Street
- Bus shelters on Dearborn
- Carroll Street sidewalk from Lakewood to Morehead
- Pedestrian Island at the Intersection of N. Miami Blvd at Juniper and Guthrie St.
- Protected Crosswalk from Lakeview Park to Lakeview Secondary School
- Repair Sidewalks on Gray Avenue
- Cook Rd Sidewalk Extension
- Sidewalk along E. Pettigrew St. between Driver St. and S. Plum St.
- Pedestrian Crossing at Intersection of James and Nation

- What do submissions say about what Durham citizens feel about transportation concerns?

- transportation is a top concern for Durham residents

- What projects were eliminated from the PB process and why?

- if it was not feasible within 3 years

- Questions

- Amanda would like for BPAC to review the summary report of PB to see what projects were submitted, but not included on the list
- this process will be every other year

V. Announcements 8:15pm

- Amanda is requesting that BPAC members submit photos of cars and other items that block curb cutouts, bike lanes etc. She wants to post them to FB as an awareness campaign.
- Reminder that city released their budget and hearing on budget is on June 3rd and will be voted on June 17th. Please share your support for BPAC related items to city council in person or via email messages.
- Parking folks in the city are working on penalties for parking in bike lanes.
- Continue to volunteer and support Bike Month events.
- Emily participated in the transportation director interviews and does not yet know who the position will be offered to.
- Interviewed 4 candidates to replace Bryan Poole's position and it should be filled by the summer.

VI. Adjourn 8:30pm