

City of Jacksonville Pedestrian & Bicycle Master Plan Study

Phase II Public Involvement Summary

Steering Committee Meeting

The Steering Committee met Tuesday, August 23, 10:30 a.m. to noon in the Ed Ball Building.

Attendees

Dimitri Demopoulos, Urban Core CPAC
Officer Paul Napoli, JSO
Elizabeth DeJesus, North Florida TPO
Colin Moore, COJ Grants
Bernard Mazie, Citizen
Laurie Santana, COJ
Amy Ingles, COJ
Stephanie Zarkris, COJ

Andy Clarke, TDG
Heather Deutsch, TDG
Matt McIntosh, TranSystems
George Harlow, Baker Klein
Victoria Pennington, MVP Marketing & Public Affairs

Andy Clarke delivered a presentation highlighting findings, strategies and next steps. The presentation is attached with key points outlined below:

Reviewed vision, existing conditions and needs assessment results

Walking Strategy

- Five “typical” street types
- Before and after recommendations

Biking Strategy

- Network identification
- Level of Service Assessment
- Recommended Improvements

Implementation Plan

- Walking:
 - Neighborhood Improvement Program
 - Capital Projects
 - Rapid Flashing Beacon initiative
- Bicycling:
 - Priority Project List
- Incentive to Organize
- Guidance to other Agencies

Project Prioritization

- ActiveTransPrioritization Tool (APT)

- Discuss criteria weighting:
 - Stakeholder input
 - Constraints
 - Opportunities
 - Safety
 - Existing Conditions
 - Connectivity
 - Equity
 - Compliance

Next Steps

- 30 Days
 - Complete Pedestrian Safety Action Plan & Bike Network Plan
 - Submit Priority Project List
- 90 Days
 - Complete Rapid Flashing Beacon study
 - Draft Additional Guidance documents
- 120 Days
 - Draft Final Report
 - Steering Committee

Committee member Bernie Mazie gave a presentation on pedestrian challenges accessing JTA bus stops. He said that JTA's route optimization has made it more dangerous for him as he has to cross larger, busier intersections to get to bus stops. His comments and exhibits are included following this summary.

Review and Comment on Exhibits to Identify Critical Projects – exhibits are included following the summary.

Groups Discussion:

- There's a systemic traffic safety issue for all modes with crashes concentrated on FDOT major arterials
- Overall absence of sidewalks and crosswalks, except in downtown
- Infrastructure for cyclists is patchy – there are gaps and we need to address connectivity
- Study team has seen a widespread disregard for crosswalks by motorists and pedestrians
- Rapid Flashing Beacon Study will be completed at the end of November
- For the next meeting, how does the group want to move forward to play a role in implementation?