



TOWN OF CHAPEL HILL

Transportation and Connectivity Advisory Board

Meeting Minutes

Town Hall
405 Martin Luther King, Jr.
Blvd.
Chapel Hill, NC 27514

Chair Jason Merrill
Vice-Chair Susanne Kjemtrup-Lovelace
Eric Allman
Heather Brutz

Brian Hageman
Joshua Kastrinsky
Paul Neebe
Ignacio Tzoumas

Tuesday, February 26, 2019

7:00 PM

RM 102 | First Floor Conf. Room

Opening

Roll Call/Introductions

Sam Blank, UNC, Kurt Stolka, UNC, Hannah Fagan, Chapel Hill Youth Liaison,
John Rees, Planning Commission, Corey Liles, Staff Liaison, Becky McDonnell,
Staff Liaison, Brooke Ganser, Town Staff

Present 4 - Vice-Chair Susanne Kjemtrup-Lovelace, Eric Allman, Brian
Hageman, and Joshua Kastrinsky

Absent 4 - Chair Jason Merrill, Heather Brutz, Paul Neebe, and Ignacio
Tzoumas

Announcements

Petitions

Approval of Minutes

1. January 22, 2019 Meeting Minutes

[\[19-0162\]](#)

A motion was made by Kastrinsky, seconded by Kjemtrup-Lovelace, to
approve the January 22, 2019 meeting minutes. The motion carried by a
unanimous vote.

Old Business

2. No Right on Red

[\[19-0163\]](#)

Kumar Neppalli, staff, provided additional information requested by the Board
at a previous meeting on level of service categories and pedestrian counts at
various intersections in Chapel Hill. The Board approved the list of

intersections as recommended by Staff, and discussed appropriate timing for No Right on Red, and unanimously approved the item with the modification that right turns on red be prohibited at all hours of the day.

New Business

3. 15-501 Side Path [\[19-0164\]](#)

Bill Webster, staff, presented an overview of the proposed 15-501 sidepath. Several members of the public spoke, expressing concerns about safety where the path would cross Ridgefield Road and Walnut Street, and proposed an alternative of installing shared street improvements on Hickory Drive. Staff intends to study the feasibility of this alternative as project design proceeds and is currently adapting the contract with the consultant to address safety concerns, and is seeking a third party expert. The Board determined that the item should be included on the next meeting agenda for continued discussion.

4. Electric Scooters [\[19-0165\]](#)

Sarah Poulton, staff, presented an overview of the Town's work with GotchaBike on electric scooters and challenges and opportunities if the Town were to allow them. Board members discussed issues that might arise with the use of electric scooters, including sidewalk clutter, safety, the use on greenways and other areas, and challenges associated with the Town's topography.

5. SPOT 6.0 [\[19-0166\]](#)

Corey Liles, staff, presented on SPOT 6.0, a process used by regional partners to identify and prioritize proposed transportation projects for state and federal funding, and described previously submitted projects and projects that could potentially be added or removed from the list. Board members were generally supportive of the recommended changes to the list. A member of the public expressed concern over the removal of a proposed pedestrian bridge over Fordham Blvd from the list. Board members then discussed the merits of pedestrian bridges and were generally supportive of keeping the project on the list. The Board determined that the item should be included on the next meeting agenda for continued discussion.

6. Rogers Road Update [\[19-0167\]](#)

Corey Liles, staff, presented on the Rogers Road Zoning Initiative, an effort to establish new zoning standards for the Rogers Road Area. The Board was invited to attend a Joint Advisory Board Meeting on March 19, 2019 to learn

more and provide feedback.

7. Staff Update

[\[19-0168\]](#)

Corey Liles, staff, provided an update on Town Council's adoption of a resolution regarding the I-40 widening, that the Board had discussed and provided a recommendation on at a previous meeting.

Becky McDonnell, staff, provided an update on the Eastowne Development Agreement process that has begun, and asked the Board to consider appointing a "champion" to track the project and attend relevant meetings. The Board agreed to consider this request and discuss at their next meeting.

Adjournment

Next Meeting - March 26, 2019

Order of Consideration of Agenda Items:

1. Staff Presentation
2. Applicant's Presentation
3. Public Comment
4. Board Discussion
5. Motion
6. Restatement of Motion by Chair
7. Vote
8. Announcement of Vote by Chair

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Unless otherwise noted, please contact the Planning and Development Services Department at 919-969-5066; planning@townofchapelhill.org for more information on the above referenced applications.

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