

Rockville Pedestrian Advocacy Committee Meeting Agenda

Meeting 20-08

Thursday, August 13, 2020 6:30 PM

Virtual - Webex

6:30 1. Welcome, Introductions, and Tech Troubleshooting

RPAC Attendees: Eric Fulton, Judy Rudolph, Ethan Goffman, Paula Hubble, Emily Bailey
Carl Peterson, Corinne Abramson, John Becker, Jonathan Goldsmith, Ann Gaines and Kathleen Kleinmann

City Officials: Alyssa Roff, Emad Elshafei, Deputy Chief Laura Lanham, and Mayor Bridget Newton

6:40 2. City Updates - Alyssa Roff

- Pedestrian Flashing Beacons
 - All poles in Town Center now painted green
 - Signs not yet up – Alyssa looking into it
 - New beacon installed at Great Falls and Monument (near Julius West Middle School)
- Pedestrian infrastructure at Rockville Metro Station
 - County added 5 seconds E Middle and 355, Church – both intersections have LPI
 - Is there a shuttle now between metro and Town Center?

7:00 3. Enforcement Update – RCPD

Deputy Chief Lanham presented updated enforcement statistics

- 300,000+ “passes” of city speed cameras in June 2020 vs May 2020, but there were 300 fewer speeding citations
- Three pedestrian involved incidents since last meeting
 1. Rockville Pike & Halpine (driver looked but did not see)
 2. Frederick & Redland (two car collision, one car onto sidewalk hit person)
 3. Wooton and Tower Oaks – Construction Worker/painting crosswalk. Driver looked but didn't see)

7:15 4. Pedestrian Master Plan - Alyssa Roff & RPAC

Alyssa shared a presentation about the Pedestrian Master Plan process and the committee discussed its role, big-picture goals and ideas, and how this plan will intersect with the County's PMP and the city's other master/comprehensive plans.

Tentative ideas included creating subcommittees for different parts of the plan and creating a central brainstorming/note taking archive. (UPDATE – this [Google doc](#) will contain all notetaking from RPAC discussion on Pedestrian Master Plan).

Emad and Alyssa suggested a starting point would be to review the city's existing pedestrian-related policies

7:50 5. Open Discussion

- Emily Bailey is working with West End Civic Association on a potential Capital Improvement Project (CIP) proposal to improve Maryland Avenue (to include potentially eliminating or narrowing lanes, adding bike lanes, and reconfiguring sidewalks). RPAC would support this effort.
- Scooters remain (and are 'coming back' as) an issue in Town Center and other areas, where they are left on the sidewalks and walkways. This situation continues to need to be addressed.
- Concerns remain regarding ADA issues on the sidewalks on Rt. 355
- Tuesday, August 25, the Traffic & Transportation Commission is receiving a draft presentation on a "road diet" for E. Middle Lane and N. Washington Street. Interested committee members are invited to attend.

8:00 5. Adjourn

Next Meeting: Thursday, September 10, 2020