

**TOWN OF WILLISTON**  
**Mobility Projects Group**  
**Minutes**  
**June 25, 2020 - 6:00 P.M.**  
**Remote via Zoom ID: 158-006-871**

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- 1) 6:00 PM CALL TO ORDER
- 2) PUBLIC COMMENT There was no public comment.
- 3) INTRODUCTIONS WITH CCRPC STAFF CCRPC staff who are assisting with the Mobility Projects introduced themselves: Eleni Churchill, Taylor Newton, Pam Brangan, Sai , and Marshall Distell.
- 4) REVIEW FINDINGS AND RECOMMENDATIONS OF SUB GROUPS – Matt stated the group would have an opportunity to see and comment on the work of the three subgroups that have taken place over the last several months.

- Official Map – Dave Westman said that over the course of three meetings the subgroup had looked at maps of town infrastructure and discussed the missing connections, then had created a list and description of those desired connections, each corresponding to a point on the map. Melinda added these locations to an online editable map, which was shown to the entire group.

The group discussed levels of specificity desired for the Official Map, for example, whether it is necessary to indicate what side of the road a bike lane facility should be planned for or what width facility would be needed. Eleni commented that in most cases additional scoping would be needed to determine the exact locations and widths of these facilities. Eleni commented that it may be desirable to prioritize the list of desired facilities. Matt noted that the Official Map represents a wish list and the staff and Committee is aware that not everything on the list is attainable. Matt stated it might also be prudent to order the items based on readiness level or planning stage.

Melinda explained that the Conservation Commission had provided some input into the Official Map regarding desired trails. A distinction was made between desired path and desired connection, with the former being a more clearly defined location and the latter being a more generalized desired linkage, for example, an off road connection from the village to Tafts Corner.

Chapin noted that there is a desired connection between Finney Crossing and Maple Tree Place. The group discussed other desired connections in the Growth Center. Matt encouraged members to walk around and catalogue any other desired connections by adding them to the online map.

- Mode Shift Facilities – Amy Brewer discussed the subgroup’s work. The group looked at mode shift needs based on origin and destination locations including places where people live, places of employment, and schools. Matt noted that either the town could build these facilities or work with a developer to build them to support multi-modal transportation. Amy stated the group looked at potential collection points for students and carpoolers.

The group discussed the need for the town to plow all sidewalks. Matt stated the Selectboard has recently discussed this due to citizen complaints. This should be added to the next comprehensive Plan.

- Transportation Programming – Chapin discussed the subgroup’s work. They looked at three different project areas – bicycle transportation, public transit and reducing single occupancy vehicle commuting. Matt stated that the ideas proposed for transportation programming can be included in the Transportation chapter of the 2025 Comp Plan. The group discussed opportunities to expand telecommuting options now that it has been at least temporarily required by the COVID 19 pandemic. Matt mentioned his Capstone project, which explored expanding e-bikeshare into Williston.
- 5) NEXT STEPS – Matt and Melinda will work with CCRPC on refining the Draft Official Map. Then we will solicit public input via a survey, followed by incorporating feedback into the map. Amy Brewer suggested inviting the Williston schools transportation committee to engage in this project.
- 6) 7:30 ADJOURNMENT Meeting was adjourned

### **UPCOMING MEETINGS**

- July/August 2020 TBD – mobility assessment walks throughout the Growth Center, to be posted on the Mobility Projects Group section of the town website
- September 2020- TBD (Whole Group Meeting/Planning Commission?)

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