

**TRANSPORTATION COMMITTEE**

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140 Stonewall Avenue West, Suite 100

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**Meeting Agenda**

**March 5, 2024 at 1:30 PM**

Fayette County

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1. Call to Order - **Maurice Ungaro @ 1:32 pm.** Mr. Ungaro noted that public comment will be limited to 2 minutes.
2. Ascertainment of Quorum – Maurice Ungaro, Chris Hindman, David Borkowski, Caitlin Storc, Martin Sas, J.T. Rabun, Phil Mallon, and Paola Kimbell.
3. Approval of Agenda – **Hindman/Rabun (8 yea:0 nay:0 abstain)**
4. Motion to table February Meeting Minutes to April Meeting – **Ungaro/Rabun approved (8:0:0)**
5. Report of Committee Members
  - a. Brooks – **Maurice Ungaro, Brooks Town Manager**
    - i. Mr. Ungaro notified the committee that a citizen complaint was raised regarding Morgan Mill Road between Hwy 85 Connector to Brooks Woolsey to repair potholes. The citizen also mentioned that they placed cold patch.
  - b. Fayette County – **Phil Mallon, Director of Public Works**
    - i. Redwine Roundabout Project – Paving the paths are delayed to weather. Fayette County will be collecting traffic data in next few weeks and will share with PTC.
    - ii. Mr. Mallon met with the North Fayette Community Association on 2/17/24. There was support for the proposed Quick Response projects along SR 279 by GDOT, as well as a long-range capacity project.
    - iii. County staff met with GDOT to discuss the Hwy 85 Connector signal project. GDOT is doing a joint review to coordinate sequencing of construction. There is conflict that may delay implementation for the bridge project (PI 013734). GDOT said the delay was due to design issues of the temporary bridge. They have been resolved and work is expected to resume soon.
    - iv. GDOT and Fayette County also discussed the Hampton Road and Hwy 92 project. Croy Engineering Consultants believe the project can be phased to maintain traffic on SR 92. GDOT requested staging plans. GDOT will do a more detailed review of the construction plans.

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- v. Fayette County requested a grant of \$192,000 from ARC (with \$48,000 local match) for a CTP update with focus on assessing traffic impacts with the large developments underway in the central part of the County. Notice should be received in May.
- vi. 2023 SPLOST New Creek Road Project – Fayette County staff walked the proposed alignment with Pond Engineering on February 27. POND will provide a task order for a feasibility study and/or concept. Two major concerns are the intersection control at SR 54 and environmental impacts. The intersection with First Manassas Mile will likely be a three-way stop due to sight distance limitations. Pond expressed concerns that the project will exceed the \$3M budget.
- c. Fayetteville – **Chris Hindman, Director of Public Services**
  - i. Mr. Hindman noted that GDOT plans to do a study at Hwy 314 and Hwy 85.
  - ii. GDOT also plans to study a contra-flow project to reverse flow of traffic through downtown Fayetteville. Roundabout or diverging diamonds are being considered.
  - iii. Mr. Hindman also noted that Fayetteville is collecting traffic data in downtown Fayetteville.
  - iv. Hwy 85 widening project has funding issues causing delays. Fayetteville is pushing for mill and patch.
  - v. Mr. Hindman advised all on the second LMIG solicitation.
- d. Peachtree City - **David Borkowski, Director of Engineering Services**
  - i. Peachtree City met with GDOT regarding the Displaced Left Turn Lane Project on 2/22/2024. NTP has been issues with no start date. The construction duration currently is 30 months.
- e. Tyrone –
  - i. Mr. Trocquet was not present, but Mrs. Kimbell notified the committee on his behalf.
  - ii. DRI 4094 Project Rita (Data Center): Final Public hearing is scheduled for 03/21/2024 Council Meeting with final GDOT comments arriving on March 12th. Mr. Mallon has attached the traffic memo from Kimley-Horn for reference.
    - i. Likely GDOT recommendations will be an R-CUT at Thomson Road aligned with their main entrance.
    - ii. Likely Construction entrance will be off SR-74 at the current New Heritage Church entrance.
  - iii. Asphalt Resurfacing: Bidding on April 10th for the following roads: Laurelwood Rd., Laurel Lake Rd., Foxford Run, Ridge Rd., Strawberry Lane, Small section of Tyrone Rd @ Railroad Xing. Aside from the Tyrone Rd. section, the rest of these are residential streets off Briarwood Rd. on the west side of Town.
  - iv. Palmetto/Arrowood/Spencer RAB – 90% plans complete and in land acquisition.

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- f. Woolsey – **Caitlin Storc, Citizen, Town of Woolsey**
    - i. No update.
    - ii. Mayor Laggis requested notification prior to THC team contacting property owners for right-of-way acquisition needed for the Hampton Road/SR 92 project.
  - g. Sheriff's Office – No update.
  - h. Water System – Vanessa Tigert, Director of Water System
    - i. No update.
  - i. Citizen Representative
    - i. No update.
6. Public Comment
- a. Keith Larson
    - i. Mr. Larson congratulated the County on completing the Camp Creek Path Project.
    - ii. Mr. Larson notified the committee that People for Bikes City rankings have been completed with new scores expected to be released in June.
    - iii. Mr. Larson also mentioned a path opportunity to the Ridge for the new road construction between the transfer station and SR 54 (i.e., the Creek Road project). Mr. Mallon supported the path but said it would probably not be included with the road construction because of budget limitations.
7. Unfinished Business
- a. Safety Action Plan Update
    - i. Mrs. Kimbell noted that nine proposals have been received for the SS4A Plan.
8. New Business
- a. Goza Road and Bernhard Road Presentation (**Paola Kimbell**)

Mrs. Kimbell gave a presentation (attached) on the options for this 2004 SPLOST project and there was general agreement for minor intersection improvements in lieu of a new road alignment. The committee asked for staff to confirm the number of serious injuries and fatalities at the intersections. Keith Larson asked if the on-going road work will widen or improve Bernhard. Mr. Mallon said it is only a resurfacing. Mr. Ungaro asked if a signal could be installed at Goza and SR 85. Mr. Rabun supported a roundabout at Goza and Bernhard as funding allows. Mr. Larson suggested extending Wildcat Way to Bernhard for bus access to the existing signal. The committee supported eliminating left turns from Goza to SR 85 south and adding a turn lane from SR 85 southbound onto Goza.

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**b. Kenwood Path Presentation (Paola Kimbell)**

Mrs. Kimbell reviewed the concepts for the path work along Kenwood Road near the North Fayette Elementary School. The Committee suggested dropping the “tier 3” segments within the utility easement. They also suggested showing the remaining segments to the public without a suggested priority – and solicit input from the public.

**c. April’s Meeting Topics**

- i. Mr. Ungaro noted the discussion of path planning studies.
- ii. Mr. Ungaro also noted Rails to Trails Project. Griffin is currently working on a plan that touches the Rails to Trails and is railbanking with Norfolk Southern.

**9. Adjournment – @ 3:02 pm Rabun/Hindman (8:0)**

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