

TSPLOST 2018 Program
Prince Avenue Corridor Improvements: Project 16

User Group Meeting – Draft Minutes

July 7, 2021 9:00 A.M. - <https://youtu.be/q9MYdwLvWd0>

User Group Members Present: Ellen Walker, Emily Tatum, Mark Ebell, Clint McCrory, Peter Norris, Ilka McConnell, Daniel Sizemore

Members Absent: Bruce Lonnee, Jeanne Connell, Jenn Rice, Stephen Bailey

Other Staff Present: Victor Pope, Forrest Huffman, Joseph D'Angelo, Mary Martin, Emilie Castillo, Tom Miller, Brad McCook, Derek Doster, Keith Sanders, Diana Jackson

Guests: John Walker, Erik Hammarlund

General Business

Diana Jackson, called the meeting to order at 9:04 A.M., welcomed the members in attendance and thanked them for being present.

Quorum: Established quorum was present.

User Group Actions

Meeting Minutes Review & Approval – Ellen Walker made a motion to approve the edited June 23, 2021 Minutes and Ilka McConnell seconded. The minutes were approved unanimously.

The below is a brief summary of the key discussion items, not a transcript. The full video is available at the above noted YouTube link. The below notes are only to identify the items discussed and the general order of those discussion to make finding the information on the video easier.

Update from Public Engagement Subcommittee

The PE subcommittee met on July 1st to go through the story map and the written narrative/context. Ellen went through how they developed the best way to present the different projects. She encouraged the group to go through the context and suggest changes.

Emilie went through a current status of the survey and story maps.

Erik asked if the UG is presenting the GDOT improvements as an already programmed project. Ellen says that they are differentiated in the background data as well in the referenced documents. The UG discussed this thought with as resolution that any GDOT-programmed project would be denoted with a GDOT stamp along-side the icons.

Signoff for the survey will be required from GIO, PIO, and the Inclusion office prior to posting the survey.

Unused Utility Poles TPW Update

As a follow-on, Emilie is going to send to Brad the Prince Avenue Utility pole survey completed by Ellen, Ilka, and Emilie. It will also be sent to Eddie Arnold for ACC's GIS.

TSPLOST 2023 Project Submission Form

Keith discussed that the TSPLOST 2023 project submission form and short training can be found here:

https://accsplosttest.formstack.com/forms/tsplost2023_project_submission

Template forms are to be used to gather information. Electronic submission is requested for insertion into the database.

Submissions are due July 28th for ACCGov staff generated, and August 15th for public generated. Staff would prefer to support the UG. Peter stated that he supports a general corridor improvements project, and he would take a first stab at developing a project for the UG.

Presentations will likely follow if the project meets the basic project requirements.

Daniel thinks we should detail it that it would be a continuation of the TPLOST2018 planning, survey and prioritizing efforts. Ilka suggest that the UG also submit on a larger, discrete project. She was going to email Michael Burnett, Piedmont ARMC, to see if they might want to join with us with a joint proposal. He has concerns about having two proposals for Prince.

Peter will let Diana know if he needs any assistance in finding the necessary information/form to begin developing the project submission.

Coordination with PIO

Ellen asked about advertising for the survey. Diana explained that the Public Information Office (PIO) will take the lead – advertising, window clings, signage, website, meeting announcements, etc. Diana will reach out to him. She will also re-send the Public Engagement thoughts Ellen developed a few months back. A timeline/Gantt chart with dates about who is doing what and when will need to be developed, so that the UG can identify how to staff these events.

Project Schedule

Next step is for the Public Engagement subcommittee to work with GIO staff to develop one category of the survey.

Assignment for future meetings

- Next meeting is **July 21, 2021 from 9-10:30 am**
- Public Engagement subcommittee updates
- Public Engagement assistance/advertisement – Jeff Montgomery, PIO
- TSPLOST 2023 project form completion
- Blue medians – ACCGov's Stormwater staff
- Update from GDOT – Erik Hammarlund, Benesch

These minutes are not a transcript of the meeting but instead is a general summary of the key points, ideas, or considerations from the discussion.