Capital District Transportation Committee
Bicycle Pedestrian Advisory Committee

July 10, 2018 Meeting Notes

**Attendance:** Lorenz Worden, Albany Bicycle Coalition; Linda von der Heide, Rensselaer County; Jennifer Hogan, NYSDOH; John Gillivan, Bike/Ped advocate from Colonie; John Mitchell, CCTWG & Halfmoon TOSC; Ivan Vamos, NYBC; Lauren Bailey, CDTA; Valerie Deane, NYSDOT Region 1; James Rath, Capital Roots; Suzanne Swan, Albany County DOH; Elaine Troy, interested citizen; James Levy, Planning 4 Places; Kevin Corcoran, Town of Glenville; Katie Lamb, CDRPC; Martin Daley, CDRPC; Chris Bauer, CDTC; David Downes, Albany Bicycle Coalition; Jen Ceponis, CDTC

**1.0 New Business**

1.1 Welcome and Introductions

1.2 Freemans Bridge Road Complete Streets Concept Plan, Kevin Corcoran, Town Planner

Kevin Corcoran, the Town Planner from the Town of Glenville presented on the process and final recommendations from the Freemans Bridge Road Complete Streets Plan. James Levy, the consultant hired to conduct the study, and Chris Bauer, CDTC staff, assisted in answering questions from the advisory committee. The final report can be downloaded from the CDTC website and the presentation is attached.

1.3 CDTC Updates

1.3.1 Capital District Trails Plan Update – The draft plan, map and other materials are being prepared and the public meeting will be delayed until September. Stay tuned for the meeting announcement.

1.3.2 Capital Coexist – mini-grant projects continue to move along, CDTA held two bike skills training classes and Capital Roots is working with Troy and Schenectady on intersection enhancement demonstrations.

1.3.3 Bicycle & Pedestrian Education Series – Jen distributed a spreadsheet with the upcoming trainings, see attached.

1.4 NYS/USDOT Updates

1.4.1 Pedestrian Safety Action Plan – No updates at this time.

1.4.2 TAP/CMAQ – NYSDOT had received a number of pre-applications and the final application deadline is August 16th.

1.5 Linkage Updates – see Linkage update table

1.6 Local Program Updates
• CDTA/CDPHP Cycle! – L Bailey reported that there has been 8,500+ rides so far this season; New bikes have been delivered, bringing the system total to 350 bicycles in 4 cities; This season, 1,800 new members have joined but pay per use numbers are still higher than monthly memberships; There are a total of 4,500 users; CDTA is testing “cycle access,” with the Albany Public Library employees, which is similar to CDTA’s universal access program for transit, but for bike share.

• Rensselaer County – L von der Heide said that the county is reactivating a committee/group to work on moving the Mickey Mahar trail concept forward. They will look for funding to assist with planning/design efforts.

• NYSDOH – J Hogan said that the DOH is working with Albany County Traffic Safety on bike rodeos throughout the summer.

• Capital Roots – J Rath asked about the status of the Green Island Bridge, which is currently down to 2 lanes; shared that the first phase of the South Troy Riverfront Bikeway is complete.

• Albany Bicycle Coalition – ABC is working with Albany County and City of Albany on trail signage; Signage is being installed for the “6 Mile Waterworks Trail;” There will be a bike ride on August 5th in partnership with the Waterford Historical Cultural Center and Bike Barn.

• J Gillivan – John spoke about working with the Village of Colonie to install a bike lane to connect the industrial park to Central Avenue

• Albany County DOH – S Swan announced that they received a Governors Traffic Safety Committee grant for pedestrian safety and vehicle traffic safety law education, which begins October 1st.

• J Levy – The Niskayuna Complete Streets Committee helped the Town on a community bike event that included demonstration projects. Over 100 kids participated and the policy department like the event so much they offered to do it again next year.

1.7 Other Updates – None

2.0 Upcoming Meetings

Meetings are open to the Public. The next CDTC Bicycle and Pedestrian Advisory Committee meeting is August 14, 2018 at 9:00am at CDTC.
FREEMANS BRIDGE ROAD
COMPLETE STREETS
CONCEPT PLAN

July 10, 2018
PROJECT PURPOSE

To develop recommendations for alternative design concepts toward creation of a more welcoming built environment that will accommodate the needs of all users.
Existing Conditions

Bounds of study area:
Mohawk River (S) and
Route 50/Schenectady County Airport (N)

2, 3, and 5-lane cross sections

Freight rail crossing

Primarily retail uses

Major route in Glenville
PROJECT OVERVIEW

-Ties into existing work elsewhere in Town:
  Town Center
  Trail/Connectivity Efforts Town-wide
  Comprehensive Plan Update
  Economic Development Efforts
  Recently Started Freemans Bridge Gateway Revitalization Project
PROJECT OVERVIEW

- 2 Public Workshops
- Presented at the “Let’s Talk Business” Event
- Held meeting with FBR Business Owners & Landowners
- Survey with over 500 responses
- Website (Freemansgateway.com)
- Press Coverage
- Direct Email Communication
SAFETY

CONCEPT OVERVIEW

CORRIDOR IMPROVEMENTS FOR ALL USERS

MOBILITY

ACCESS MANAGEMENT
CONCEPT OVERVIEW:

MAIN ELEMENTS

SIDEWALK & MULTI-USE SIDEPATH

MINIMIZE COSTS

PRESEERVE WHAT WE CAN

CONNECTS TO WHAT EXISTS

New separated multi-use connection
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**Cost Estimate:** ~$4.2M

1.5 mile corridor:

- 6’ Sidewalk
- Multi-Use Sidewalk
- Curb Ramps
- Crosswalks
- Pedestrian Push Buttons
- Establishing Turf

**Contingencies, Survey, Design, Construction Inspection**
(NYSDOT Quick Estimator - Cost Estimate Matrix)

*Note: Cost estimate does not include land acquisition, utility relocations, green infrastructure, or additional infrastructure such as culverts or curbing.*
THANK YOU STUDY ADVISORY COMMITTEE
CDTC 2018 BICYCLE & PEDESTRIAN EDUCATION SERIES

You are invited to the CDTC Bicycle & Pedestrian Education Series. CDTC has purchased a series of webinars and educational opportunities which it is offering to Capital District public and private sector planners, engineers, and designers at no cost. CDTC offers webinars developed by the Association of Pedestrian & Bicycle Professionals (APBP), Institute of Transportation Engineers (ITE), Pedestrian & Bicycle Information Center (PBIC), and Transportation Research Board (TRB) throughout the year. The webinars are valuable and informative in advancing transportation planning and engineering in the Capital Region. Professional development and continuing education credits are available for most webinars. The schedule will be updated as new educational opportunities are announced.

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<td>Oct 23</td>
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<td>1. Albany Patroon Creek/Washington Avenue Corridor Study</td>
<td>City of Albany Creighton Manning Engineering $90,000 Carrie Ward Planning Committee Selected 2/1/17. Policy Board Approved UPWP 3/2/17</td>
<td>The consultant is drafting design concepts.</td>
<td>December 2018 20 Months</td>
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<td>2. Albany Shaker Road Corridor Study</td>
<td>Albany County/Town of Colonie Creighton Manning Engineering $80,000 Chris O’Neill Planning Committee Selected 2/3/16. Policy Board Approved UPWP 3/29/16.</td>
<td>An Advisory Committee meeting was held in October. The second public meeting was held on November 16. The final draft report is expected in June.</td>
<td>June 2018 27 Months</td>
<td><a href="https://albanyshakercolonie.com/">https://albanyshakercolonie.com/</a></td>
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<td>1. Hoosick Street Parkway Implementation Study</td>
<td>City of Troy TBD $92,500 TBD Planning Committee Selected 2/7/18. Policy Board Approved UPWP 3/1/18.</td>
<td>Memorandum of Understanding was sent to the City for Signature. Once returned to CDTC, the project will begin. On City’s Agenda for July 13th.</td>
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<td>1. Freemans Bridge Road Complete Streets Feasibility Study &amp; Policy</td>
<td>Town of Glenville Planning4Places TBD $50,000 Chris Bauer Planning Committee Selected 2/3/16. Policy Board Approved UPWP 3/29/16.</td>
<td>The final draft of the Freemans Bridge Rd Complete Streets Concept Plan has been reviewed and accepted by CDTC and the Town of Glenville. The consultant team is preparing to close-out the project. The project will be complete during June 2018.</td>
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<td>2. Craig-Main Complete Streets Study</td>
<td>City of Schenectady TBD $90,000 Jacob Beeman Planning Committee Selected 2/7/18. Policy Board Approved UPWP 3/1/18.</td>
<td>Initial scoping meeting with sponsor was held Tuesday, April 24, 2018. A draft scope has been developed and is under initial review by the City of Schenectady.</td>
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<td>1. Greenway Trails Plan</td>
<td>Regional Behan Planning $148,502 Jen Ceponis</td>
<td>Included in 2016-2018 UPWP RFP Issued August 2017</td>
<td>Feedback received at stakeholder meetings and through online outreach has been summarized and used to draft the trail plan and develop other materials. Drone videography and imagery of a selection of existing trail corridors and a potential corridor has been collected and will be processed. CDTC is reviewing draft materials which will be released in conjunction with a public meeting this summer.</td>
<td>October 2018 12 months from date of contract execution.</td>
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<td>2. Regional Safety Action Plan</td>
<td>Regional VHB $175,000 Sandy Misiewicz</td>
<td>Included in 2016-2018 UPWP RFP Issued September 2017</td>
<td>A Regional Safety Summit was held on June 13th. A summary and related presentation will be available soon. The consultant team is actively reviewing the region’s crash data.</td>
<td>January 2019 12 months from date of contract execution.</td>
<td><a href="http://www.cdtcmpo.org/safetyplan">www.cdtcmpo.org/safetyplan</a></td>
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<td>Regional CHA $350,000 Sandy Misiewicz</td>
<td>Included in 2016-2018 UPWP RFP Issued April 2014</td>
<td>Response to comments received are nearly complete. The report will be finalized in July 2018.</td>
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