

Meeting Minutes for **Wednesday, May 12, 2021** at 6:00pm via Zoom

Roll Call:

Present: Gabe Berlin, Erica Norton Urie, Cynthia Gilkeson, Naomi Hersson-Ringskog.

Guests/Advisors: Gabrielle Hill, Jessica Ridgeway, Anthony Grice, Francisco Grajales, Elizabeth Ahten and Damiane Charles (128renwick@charter.net)

Public Comment/Presentation Period (30 minutes)

1. **Elizabeth Ahten & Damiane Charles**- request for four way stop at Renwick at South Lander Street. Ahten gave an excellent description of the precarious junction. Its a bus route. Gathered opinions from 8 neighbors. Everyone has a story or personal experience of feeling danger at this intersection. TAC to write a letter and identify precedent (Chambers and First Streets). TAC explained process.Recommend to contact city council member. Bollard suggestions if four way stop is not possible. Signs like Drive Like Your Kids.
2. **Gabrielle Hill**- Following up on conversation. The cross walk and ped yield sign on Broadway from cornerstone to chambers street. Nice to have an additional crosswalk along Johnston Street, Dubois and electronic pedometer (like Prospect Ave).
3. **Bike Community Action Plan**- Bike consultant Dan Suraci presented maps that show nodes of popular destinations. From nodes, a preliminary proposal for a bike lane network was laid out. Important to connect Newburgh to Metro North as it connects people to more opportunities. Data development purposes- where are people bicycling through online survey, explain the different bike infrastructure and related cost estimates, aligns with resurfacing which can save money. Another smaller detail are proposed locations for bike boxes (may be good to increase visibility at corners which is a persistent problem)
 - a. **TO DO**- Share with city council members
 - b. Dan to provide data sheet that can be used for GIS (layering with other data sets)

Announcements (0 min)

TO DO- Site visit and letters (outstanding)

Pedestrian/Walkability

- Update: Bollards - coordinate with Ali for First St and Liberty St and other sites?
- Update: Liberty TAP project has commenced. Would be great to have signage on site so people can learn.
- **TO DO**- Traffic count on Broadway (outstanding)
- **TO DO**- Letter to the City Manager/Council for shortened time request (outstanding)
- Update: Sidewalk Improvement District Feasibility study is going out for RFP.

Bicycle

- New! Bike Racks installed at Market 32- **TO DO**- Press Release to be drafted and sent out once installed.
- Update! Letter to NYSBA re Rescinding Curfew on Bridge. **TO DO**- Finalize letter and circulate to TAC. Get elected members on board and 5 key organizations. Cynthia to share with Micah who is Orange County Commissioner for NYSBA
- Bike Legislation: Pending Review- **TO DO**-review it as a group before June meeting.

- Program: Critical Mass on Friday May 21st at 5pm. **TO DO**-Circulate bike flyer. See if City can send via newsletter and/or if Rec Department Maritza can share it.
- Program: Paint a bike garden at HOH. Kick off meeting the week of May 24th. More details to follow.

Buses

- None

Car & Parking (20 min)

- None

Ferry & Airport

- None

General

Old Business

- Pedestrian: Gidney Avenue Recommendation, NYSDOT Crosswalks, Sidewalk Improvement District, Complete Streets implementation, Snow Emergency Policy.
- Bicycle: Grants: Fed 5307, E-Bike Library,