

## **Meeting Minutes**

Tuesday, July 22, 2014, 7:00pm Westview Pizza Café 1550 Ralph David Abernathy Blvd.

## **Development Committee**

Attendees: Patrick Berry, Steffi Langer-Berry, Pat Perdew, Tanisha Nige, Kevin Bates, Lisa Ruggs, Ayana Gabriel, David Cater, Jen Farris, Abbey Henderson, Tamara Cammack, Kendal Carey, Wesley Wills, Bruce Williams

A special Development Committee meeting took place to discuss the Infrastructure Bond Referendum.

The meeting was called to order by Development Committee Co-Chair Patrick Berry at 7:14pm.

- 1. **Infrastructure Bond Referendum Overview** An overview about the Infrastructure Bond Referendum plan and background was provided by Patrick Berry and Steffi Langer-Berry.
- 2. **Westview Master Plan Overview** An overview about the Westview Master Plan was provided by Patrick Berry and Steffi Langer-Berry.
- 3. Compile Recommended Westview Projects for Referendum Discussion took place regarding the projects from the Westview Master Plan that would have the highest impact on the neighborhood, if developed.
  - a. Ayana Gabriel suggested focusing on one area, such as the Westview Village, would have the biggest impact.
  - b. David Cater suggested the Atlanta BeltLine will focus on Kroger and Langhorn, therefore the biggest impact would be to focus on the two neighborhood commercial districts to supplement the BeltLine's work.
  - c. David Cater suggested if the focus was on the commercial areas it would attract continued development for surrounding residential areas.
  - d. The group ultimately decided the highest impact would occur if a "triangle" of portions of Westview Master Plan sections 8.1, 8.2, and 8.3 would be developed around the Atlanta BeltLine corridor:
    - i. Priority #1 Ralph David Abernathy Blvd and Lucile Ave Commercial District:
      - RDA-001: Create legislation to rezone the commercial district along Ralph David Abernathy Blvd between Westview Dr and Willard Ave to Neighborhood Commercial (NC)
      - 2. RDA-008: Upgrade all crosswalks to GDOT standards and install pedestrian crossing signs along Ralph David Abernathy Blvd
      - 3. RDA-009: Install rectangular rapid flash beacons (RRFBs) at unsignalized pedestrian crosswalks
      - 4. RDA-010: Install landscaped bulb-outs at crosswalks
      - 5. RDA-011: Widen sidewalks to a minimum of twelve feet
      - 6. RDA-013: Install granite curbs along Ralph David Abernathy Blvd between Westview Dr and Cascade Ave; and along Lucile Ave between Ralph David Abernathy Blvd and Langhorn St

- 7. RDA-014: Install pedestrian lighting (Type "C", color black) along Ralph David Abernathy Blvd between Westview Dr and Stokes Ave
- 8. RDA-015: Install pedestrian lighting (Type "C", color black) along Lucile Ave between Ralph David Abernathy Blvd and Mathewson Pl
- 9. RDA-017: Install benches (Victor-Stanley style C-96, eight feet long, center armrest, color black) and trash receptacles (Victor-Stanley style SD-42, color black) along Ralph David Abernathy Blvd between Westview Dr and Stokes Ave
- 10. RDA-018: Identify bicycle accommodations and facilities along Ralph David Abernathy Blvd
- 11. RDA-019: Install bicycle racks near the intersection of Ralph David Abernathy Blvd and Lucile Ave
- 12. RDA-020: Connect the BeltLine Trail with the Ralph David Abernathy Blvd and Lucile Ave commercial district via a bike route along Lucile Ave
- 13. RDA-025: Create designated on-street parking along Ralph David Abernathy Blvd
- 14. RDA-026: Create an off-street parking plan that allows businesses to share parking lots
- ii. Priority #2 Ralph David Abernathy Blvd and Cascade Ave Commercial Corridor:
  - CAS-004: Upgrade all crosswalks to GDOT standards and install pedestrian crossing signs along Cascade Ave and Ralph David Abernathy Blvd
  - 2. CAS-005: Install rectangular rapid flash beacons (RRFBs) at unsignalized pedestrian crosswalks
  - 3. CAS-006: Install channelized pedestrian islands in NW & NE corners of Westwood Ave/Donnelly Ave/Cascade Ave intersection
  - 4. CAS-007: Install granite curbs along Cascade Ave between Ralph David Abernathy Blvd and Beecher St, and along Ralph David Abernathy Blvd between Cascade Ave and Langhorn St
  - 5. CAS-008: Install pedestrian lighting (Type "C", color black) along Cascade Ave between Ralph David Abernathy Blvd and Beecher St
  - 6. CAS-009: Install pedestrian lighting (Type "C", color black) along Ralph David Abernathy Blvd between Cascade Ave and Langhorn St
  - 7. CAS-012: Install benches (Victor-Stanley style C-96, eight feet long, center armrest, color black) and trash receptacles (Victor-Stanley style SD-42, color black) along Cascade Ave between Ralph David Abernathy Blvd and Beecher St, and along Ralph David Abernathy Blvd between Cascade Ave and Langhorn St
  - 8. CAS-013: Identify bicycle accommodations and facilities along Cascade Ave
  - 9. CAS-014: Install bicycle racks near the intersection of Cascade Ave and Ralph David Abernathy Blvd
  - 10. CAS-020: Improve street lighting (Cobrahead, color black) along Cascade Ave between Ralph David Abernathy Blvd and Beecher St, and along Ralph David Abernathy Blvd between Cascade Ave and Langhorn St
  - 11. CAS-021: Install a left-turn signal from Cascade Ave onto Ralph David Abernathy Blvd
- iii. Priority #3 Langhorn St and Atlanta BeltLine Corridor:
  - 1. LAN-002: Install rectangular rapid flash beacons (RRFBs) at unsignalized pedestrian crosswalks along Langhorn St

- 2. LAN-003: Install landscaped bulb-outs at crosswalks along Langhorn St
- 3. LAN-004: Widen sidewalks to a minimum of twelve feet along Langhorn St
- 4. LAN-005: Install granite curbs along Langhorn St
- 5. LAN-006: Install pedestrian lighting (Type "C", color black) along Langhorn St
- 6. LAN-007: Plant trees (30 feet apart) to create a buffer between automobile traffic and pedestrians along Langhorn St
- 7. LAN-008: Install marked on-road bicycle lanes and associated signage along Langhorn Street, as part of road-diet project
- 8. LAN-009: Install bicycle racks near the intersection of Ralph David Abernathy Blvd and Lucile Ave
- 9. LAN-010: Improve street lighting (Cobrahead, color black) along Langhorn St
- 10. LAN-011: Create designated on-street parking along Langhorn St
- 11. LAN-012: Reduce Langhorn St from a six-lane road to a two-lane road with left-turn and/or right-turn lanes where necessary
- 12. LAN-014: Redesign the connection from Langhorn St to Westview Dr
- 13. LAN-016: Install signage at I-20 off-ramp directing drivers to the Westview neighborhood
- e. It was additionally decided for the sake of pedestrian safety sidewalks should be installed on streets that do not currently have sidewalks, as per Westview Master Plan section 8.5:
  - RES-005: Install standard six-foot concrete sidewalks with four-foot landscape strips on Enota PI, Sells Ave, Greenwich St, Muse St, Derry Ave, Emerald Ave, Westmeath Dr, Glendalough PI, McAllister Dr, Manson Ave, Ackridge PI, Marler Way, South Gordon St, North Olympian Way, South Olympian Way, Olympian Dr, Alvarado Ter, Waters Dr, and Beecher St
  - ii. RES-006: Repair hazardous sidewalks on all neighborhood streets
  - iii. RES-008: Install granite curbs on every street
- f. An item that is not on the Westview Master Plan project matrix but was noted as a need was lighting/brighter lighting along South Gordon St, a major throughfare.
- g. The goal is to present the list of suggested projects, potentially in a PowerPoint format, to councilmembers during a gathering in Westview or at City Hall.

The meeting adjourned at 8:45pm.