

Borough of Hightstown  
**Complete Streets Committee**

4/28/2021 – Project Team / Committee Meeting

**Meeting Minutes**

6:30 pm

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**CALL TO ORDER**

*STATEMENT:* Adequate notice of this meeting has been given in accordance with the Open Public Meetings Act, pursuant to Public Law 1975, Chapter 231. Said notice was provided to the *Trenton Times* and the *Windsor-Hights Herald* and is posted in the Borough Clerk's office.

- Roll Call

| <b>Member</b>   | <b>Attended</b> | <b>Absent</b> |
|---|-----------------|---------------|
| Council Member Joe Cicalese,<br>Chair                           | X               |               |
| Council Member Steve Misiura,<br>Vice-Chair                     | X               |               |
| Beverly Asselstine, Secretary,<br>Planning Board representative | X               |               |

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| Dave Zaiser, Environmental Commission representative | X              |
| Brian Clissold                                       | X              |
| Tim Troxler  | X (left early) |

- Approval of Agenda **Approved**
- Approval of Minutes 3/28 **Approved**

**PROJECT TEAM MEETING: Discussed progress on the Redevelopment Area Circulation Plan. Guests: Mike Dannemiller, Joe Fishinger, Nick Perrotto**

- **NV5 team reviewed results of traffic model.**
- **A single-lane roundabout at Franklin and Main will create more congestion.**
- **There is not enough physical space for a multi-lane roundabout in the area. But even if more space were available, this would not be a good pedestrian experience in an area where we expect increased pedestrian traffic.**
- **A right turn signal option from Franklin to North Main backs up traffic from Stockton.**
- **An intersection change should be explored to create a dedicated pedestrian phase at the light on demand.**
- **A new crosswalk at Stockton and Main should be explored (north side of intersection).**
- **NV5 reviewed current state policy on how to review changes on state highways: level of service used to be the only metric, now both crash reduction and pedestrian safety are considerations.**
- **The Group felt that the enhanced pedestrian experience in the area was the most important factor and should be a priority for design recommendations. Next steps should include adjustments to traffic light timing, adjustments to the island on the south side of the intersection, bicycle access from Monmouth to Ward Street on Main/Mercer.**

**NEW BUSINESS:**

- **Feedback request from Borough – Schuyler sidewalks Steve reported that Borough Council approved the addition of sidewalks on Schuyler.**

**OLD BUSINESS**

- **May Bike Month Activities update (Bike event, Street Smart, Speed Study) Bev and Brian reported on upcoming May activities:**
  - **Bicycle Night at the Brewery, May 15**

- **Street Smart community education campaign – signs, give-aways from local businesses, library**
- **Online survey on bicycle and pedestrian safety**
- **Speed monitoring on various roads in town**
- **Mayoral proclamation naming May 2021 Bicycle and Pedestrian Safety Month in Hightstown**
- **Mobility Plan Implementation Strategies feedback update Reports on discussions with other boards and commissions:**
  - **Environmental – Dave reported they were overwhelmed by the number of implementation recommendations and will consider further feedback. Also learned that the due date for sustainable NJ reporting was pushed to December 2022.**
  - **Board of Health will discuss at next meeting (Joe).**
  - **Parks and Recreation will discuss at next meeting.**
  - **Planning Board – Bev reported on discussion and feedback that a broader meeting should be set up with the State to share the full plan and discuss overall implementation ideas for recommendations on Route 33.**

ADJOURNMENT