

Healthy Franklin County - Physical Activity Task Force
Built Environment Work Group
Tuesday, February 13th – 10:00 – 11:30 AM

Minutes

Present: Sam Thrush, Hugh Graham, Elizabeth Grant, Noel Purdy, Maria Misner, Guy Shaul, Melanie Furlong, Dr. Elizabeth George

Absent: Katie Hess, Elena Kehoe, Maria Misner

The group reviewed did not have December minutes to review. The November 2012 minutes were sent out via email.

Bike Share/Library – Project Feasibility Update

Sam reported that the built environment work group convened two meetings with various stakeholders to learn more about the ShipShare bike library program, including potential partners for a pilot project in Chambersburg. To date, the discussions have yielded the following results:

Potential Partners:

- Coyle Free Library -interested in being host site and managing operations but not owning/being responsible for liability
- Downtown Chambersburg Inc. (DCI) – interested in owning program; currently researching general liability and would provide marketing support
- Summit Health/Healthy Franklin County – will serve as a project manager to pilot a project and possibly provide funding for a pilot
- Franklin County Cyclists – convene skilled volunteers to create a network to maintain and service bikes

Next Steps:

- Refine project budget, timeline and funding strategy

Carlisle Road Diet Case Study

Elizabeth gave a general overview of the Carlisle Road Diet; program materials were distributed in advance of the meeting to inform the work group on the history of the program. The group discussed the possible economic, safety and social value of a road diet, how it can be funded and its connection to a complete streets philosophy. Elizabeth recommended that the group identify basic indicators/parameters that would suggest that a community could benefit from a road diet, such as traffic volume data. Elizabeth will schedule a teleconference with Susan Armstrong from Carlisle, who helped implement the road diet there. Here's [a link](#) for more information.

Borough of Chambersburg Bike and Pedestrian Plan

Sam reported that the Borough Council scheduled a public hearing for the bike/ped plan on March 26.

General Update of Related County Plans

Sam reported that the County is working on a grant application to DCNR to update its Recreation and Open Spaces plan, which has not been updated since 2002. Elizabeth reported that the MPO is working on updated the LRTP. She also reported that PennDot is hosting a workshop on March 7 to discuss a more inclusive and engaging stakeholder planning process for regional planning efforts called PennDOT Connects. She will send out information to the group.