

D.C. Pedestrian Advisory Council
Meeting Minutes
Jan. 24, 2022, 6:30 p.m.
Remote Public Meeting

Attendees: J.I. Swiderski, Kathy Davin, Charlotte Lee Jackson, Dalton Howard, Cheryle Adams, David Tumblin, Ameen Beale, James Elliott, Heather Foote, Priscilla Magee, and Juan Ulloa. Agency reps: Karyn McAlister (DDOT), Dulce Naime (DPR) and Leslye Howerton (OP). Public: Karthik Balasubramanian; Julia Stevenson.

Start: Elliott convened the remote meeting at 6:31 p.m.

Introductions: Attendees introduced themselves.

Voices from the Wards: Swiderski discussed pedestrian safety at various Ward 1 locations. He presented pictures of locations with narrow sidewalks, vehicles parked in crosswalks or sidewalks, benches in need of repair and scooters locks to poles in ways that made it difficult or impossible to move them. He noted that Lime and Revel mopeds that blocked pedestrian access were a greater problem, their weight making them impossible to move.

Unfinished business: Foote raised Director Lott's participation in the December meeting. Given issues that reduced his presentation time, members discussed and agreed that he be invited to a future meeting to answer outstanding questions.

DDOT report: McAlister reported that in February DDOT community will start outreach for the Bladensburg Road Multimodal Safety and Access Study, which covers 2.5 miles. Public meetings are scheduled for April, August and probably November. She gave updates on the Metropolitan Branch and Malcolm X Trails, and provided a link with updates on LPIs and similar treatments. When asked about DDOT's equity statement, McAlister said she would look into a speaker for a future PAC meeting.

DPR report: No report.

OP report: No report.

Reporting matrix. Elliott presented his draft reporting matrix that covers select PAC recommendations from the past two fiscal years. He described column topics, including one for updates on agency action or responses, and proposed that agencies be asked to provide quarterly on updates. As an example, he noted that in the February 2021 sidewalk letter, the PAC asked DDOT to provide on a fiscal year basis. As a next step, Elliott asked that lead issue captains review the matrix online.

Discussion and vote on testimony for Rep. Eleanor Holmes Norton Town Hall. Elliott presented previously circulated draft testimony for the February 27th Town Hall hosted by Rep. Eleanor Holmes Norton on the Infrastructure Investment and Jobs Act and road safety. After discussion, members proposed additional edits. Swiderski moved and Tumblin seconded a motion to approve the testimony

in principle, with future edits possible. By roll-call vote, the motion passed with ten members voting in favor: Swiderski, Davin, Howard, Adams, Tumblin, Beale, Elliott, Foote, Magee, and Ulloa.

Discussion and votes on the PAC Performance Oversight Hearing responses and testimony. Foote reviewed Committee questions and draft answers due February 10th for the 15-month reporting period. Foote proposed that brief testimony be drawn from PAC answers submitted, as was the case last year. Elliot moved and Swiderski seconded a motion to approve the PAC answers in principle, with the understanding that edits could be made. By roll-call vote, the motion passed with ten members voting in favor: Swiderski, Davin, Howard, Adams, Tumblin, Beale, Elliott, Foote, Magee, and Ulloa. A second motion was presented by Elliott and Swiderski to approve testimony drawn from answers to questions and it passed with the same vote count.

Approval of minutes: Beale moved and Howard seconded a motion to approve the November minutes. By roll-call vote, the motion passed with one abstention and eight members voting in favor: Swiderski, Jackson, Howard, Beale, Elliott, Foote, Magee, and Ulloa. Beale moved and Tumblin seconded a motion to approve the December minutes. By roll-call vote, the motion passed with two members abstaining and seven members voting in favor: Swiderski, Jackson, Howard, Beale, Elliott, Foote, and Ulloa.

Treasurer's report: Adams reported that as of December 31st, the balance was \$8,075.

Administrative topics: The status of the search for a next Administrative/ was postponed to the next meeting.

Adjournment: The meeting adjourned at 8:33 p.m.