

Complete Streets Advisory Council  
June 20, 2023  
10:00am – 12:00pm  
VIA Zoom and In-Person 113D DOTDHO

**Council Members Present**

Alan Krouse  
Lynn Maloney-Mújica  
Ruijie “Rebecca” Bian  
Jamie Gaines

Jessica Stroope  
Chris Fakouri  
Louis Haywood  
Jessica Kemp

Kathy Stites  
Cheri Soileau  
Laurence Lambert  
Tara

**Others Present**

Chad Winchester  
Darla Scardina

Lacey Fish  
Tanya Moore

**Call to Order**

Alan Krouse called the meeting to order, and it was determined that a quorum was present.

**Approve Previous Minutes**

Kathy’s application was submitted as noted on the previous minutes. A motion was made by Laurence, seconded by Jessica Stroope, to approve March 23, 2023 minutes as presented. On vote the motion unanimously passed.

**General Discussion**

***Transit Sub-Committee Updates***

One meeting has taken place as an introductory purpose meeting. Jessica S. pointed out that there is another entity, the Walls Project that is working on similar issues. Cheri clarified that transportation is one of the 9 areas of barriers within poverty. Laurence pointed out that during the next meeting, the Transit Stop Application should be revisited from the other side to provide comments. It was stated that there is a lot of miscommunication between CATS, DOTD, and other entities regarding transit that needs to be addressed. Cheri also stated that the needs of different areas vary greatly and a one-size fits all approach isn’t appropriate. In September, meetings for the Area for Persistent Poverty Grant will start.

***Freight in Complete Streets Policy***

Lynn asks if anyone has any insights into freight being implemented into the Louisiana Complete Streets policy. FHWA was not present at the meeting to comment on its definition including freight. More guidance is needed on what including “freight” would entail. Lynn requested to add this to the next meeting’s agenda. Becca mentioned that an LTRC project was requested to focus on freight’s implementation into Complete Streets and they would be happy to try to integrate additional related topics. Lynn more information on this research for the next meeting.

***Traffic Engineering Manual Updates***

More information on the possible changes to crosswalk requirements within the TEM was requested. Chris F. clarified that this is in the early stages still.

### ***Research Updates***

Active Transportation Dashboard Updates: The grid size is much smaller now and has better resolution. The final report is being prepared and will be drafted to committee members for review by the end of July. In July, a new research project is focused on monitoring non-motorized users. The goal is to collaborate with DOTD and MPO's to help state make another step forward. The American Society of Civil Engineers now has a full committee for active transportation (and Becca is a member).

### ***Other Topics***

BREC is updating their master plans – Kathy wants to note that the vertical separation between bikes/peds on high speed and multi-lane facilities. Jessica S. brought up not having vertical separation listed in the minimum design guidelines. The Nicholson project was mentioned. Cheri mentioned this separation having to work with transit needs. Lynn also mentions caution regarding vertical separation and residential areas.

### ***Future Meetings:***

- September 14, 2023: 10am – 12pm
- TBD

### **Adjourned**

There being no further business, the meeting was moved to be adjourned by Laurence and seconded by Jaime.