
COMMUNITY ADVISORY COMMITTEE MONTHLY REPORT

February 16, 2022

Ashley Hutson, CAC Chair

The Community Advisory Committee (CAC) to the TPB met on Thursday, February 10 for an online-only meeting. The committee was briefed on the recent TPB Resiliency Study and a draft of the 2022 update to the Bike and Pedestrian Plan. The committee also discussed priorities for the year.

Materials for the meeting can be found here:

mwcog.org/events/2022/2/10/tpb-community-advisory-committee/

TPB RESILIENCY STUDY

Stacy Cook, TPB Transportation Planner, briefed the committee on the TPB Resiliency Study which was completed in 2021. She defined resiliency (the ability to anticipate, prepare for, and adapt to changing conditions and withstand, respond to, and recover rapidly from disruptions) and described how the study fits into Visualize 2045 and other work at COG.

The committee discussed their perception of how resilient the Washington region's transportation system is. One person suggested that the electric grid is a weak point and another expressed concern about cyber security. The committee agreed about the importance of maintaining and updating infrastructure to make the region more resilient. They also suggested looking to regions in the world with vulnerabilities to identify novel best practices for building and maintaining resilient infrastructure.

BICYCLE AND PEDESTRIAN PLAN - DRAFT

Michael Farrell, TPB Transportation Planner, briefed the committee on a draft of the 2022 update to the Bicycle and Pedestrian Plan for the National Capital Region. He described how the plan incorporates bicycle and pedestrian planning locally in the region alongside related COG and TPB policies.

The committee was curious to know if the plan included regional standards for consistent signage and information about bicycle parking.

CAC DISCUSSION – 2022 PRIORITIES

Bryan Hayes, TPB Transportation Planner, briefed the committee on the results of a survey that the committee took. This survey ranked possible priorities based on member perception of how important the priority is to their community. Some of the highest ranked priorities including promoting regional transportation priorities, funding for transportation maintenance, ensuring transportation equity, and improving transportation safety.

The committee divided into small groups to discuss how the CAC can work on promoting regional transportation priorities. The committee also talked about the idea of "thinking regionally and acting locally." The committee agreed that the impacts of transportation decisions are often felt by the entire region, not just those who live in a specific jurisdiction.

OTHER BUSINESS

- Bryan Hayes, TPB Transportation Planner, briefed the committee on February TPB agenda.

ATTENDEES

Members	
Ashley Hutson, CAC chair	Katherine Kortum
Daniel Papiernik	Lorena Rios
Elisa Walton	Nancy Abeles
Jeff Jamawat	Ra Amin
Jeff Parnes	Robert Jackson
Jemila Kia James Daniels	Solomon Haile
Guests	
Matthew Hernandez	
Staff	
Andrew Meese	Michael Farrell
Bryan Hayes	Rachel Beyerle
John Swanson	Stacy Cook