# TPB CITIZENS ADVISORY COMMITTEE MONTHLY REPORT

September 16, 2020

Nancy Abeles, CAC Chair

The 2020 CAC met for an online-only meeting on Thursday, September 10. At the meeting the committee discussed two items on the TPB agenda: The TPB Participation Plan Update, and the Implementation and 2022 Update of TPB's Long Range Transportation Plan, Visualize2045. The group was also briefed on and discussed potential future updates for its own mission and activities.

## TPB EQUITY RESOLUTION

Karen Armendariz, TPB Public Involvement Specialist, shared details about the TPB Equity Resolution approved by the TPB in July. The committee encouraged staff to continue thinking about how to implement the resolution and make sure that all groups have a voice at the TPB. Equity is a historic priority for the CAC and the committee is committed working with staff to make the TPB as accessible and equitable as possible.

#### **TPB PARTICIPATION PLAN**

Bryan Hayes, TPB Transportation Planner, briefed the committee on the public comment period for the TPB Participation Plan. He said that the 45-day public comment period started on August 25 and ends on October 9. He walked the group through comment submission options on TPB website. He encouraged committee members to review the plan and submit comments. The committee suggested staff work with elected officials and public information officers to get the word out about the comment period.

### **VISUALIZE 2045: IMPLEMENTATION AND 2022 PLAN UPDATE**

Stacy Cook, TPB Transportation Planner, briefed the committee on staff visits to each of the jurisdictions to support implementation of Visualize 2045. She also informed the committee of plans for the 2022 update to Visualize 2045.

The committee is curious about how the COVID-19 public health emergency might impact the 2022 Visualize 2045 update and future long-range transportation plans, in terms of both need and funding. The committee encouraged the TPB to ask Congress for more money to fund WMATA.

#### **OTHER BUSINESS**

Lyn Erickson, TPB Plan Development and Coordination Program Director, walked the committee through the September TPB agenda.

Bryan Hayes reminded the committee that staff are discussing the possibility of updating committee recruitment and structure. This would be the first change in over 20 years. The committee provided input on things that work well and provided advice on how to make committee more accessible to new members.

# **ATTENDEES**

MEMBERS		STAFF AND GUESTS
Nancy Abeles, chair	Rob Jackson	Lyn Erickson, TPB staff
Emmet Tydings	Daniel Papiernik	Bryan Hayes, TPB staff
Jeremy Martin	Jeff Parnes	John Swanson, TPB staff
Ricky Tejada	Lorena Rios	Stacy Cook, TPB staff
Tony Giancola	Elisa Walton	Abigail Zenner, TPB staff
Katherine Kortum	Chris Smariga	Karen Armendariz, TPB staff
Elisa Walton		
		Thomas Fonseca, Public
		Bill Orleans, Public

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