



City of Milwaukee

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Meeting Minutes

CITY-COUNTY TASK FORCE ON CLIMATE AND ECONOMIC EQUITY

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11:00 AM

Virtual

Transportation and Mobility Work Group - Amended 2/25 to change to a Zoom meeting

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1. Call To Order (Time)

11:07 A.M.

2. Roll Call

Michael Anderson, Jennifer Evans, Tanya Fonseca, George Martin, Kevin Muhs, Pam Ritger, Marissa Meyer, Celia Jackson, Dennis Grzezinski, Susanna Cain, James Davies, Jeff Stone, Erick Shambarger, Matt Donath, Ted Kraig, Mitch Harris from MCTS

3. Review and Approval of Minutes

4. Remaining Introductions (anyone not present at past meetings)

Jeff Stone introduced himself.

5. Subgroup Participation and Scheduling

- 5. ICLEI Modeling –
 - a. ICLEI under contract to model strategies to show impact on emissions
 - b. Able to model 8-10 strategies
 - c. Would like to have a tentative list of strategies for next meeting
 - i. does not tie the group to this strategy as final recommendation but will inform group on the impact strategies will have
- 6. Subgroup Participation
 - a. Matt screen shared survey results for subgroup participation
 - b. Group decided to focus on one subgroup per member with breakout sessions as main group time blended with potential meetings/work outside of that

6. Presentation on Milwaukee Complete Streets Program (Marissa Meyer)

- 7. Complete Streets Presentation – Marissa Meyer – DPW MultiModel
 - a. What is complete streets
 - i. Streets for everyone
 - ii. Prioritize safety, comfort, access
 - iii. Not that same for each neighborhood
 - b. What it is not
 - i. prioritizing fast convenient car travel
 - ii. No widening streets or reducing congestions
 - iii. Also not eliminating all car travel
 - c. Benefits
 - i. Improve health and safety
 - 1. Reduce reckless driving
 - 2. More active travel
 - 3. Less pollution
 - ii. Address Disparities
 - 1. Focus on historically underserved communities
 - 2. Increase job and education access
 - 3. Active travel spur new development
 - iii. Improve environment
 - 1. Less air pollution and emissions
 - 2. More greenery and storm water management

- d. *Complete Streets in Milwaukee*
- i. *State repealed ordinance*
- ii. *City complete streets policy launched in 2018 to meet need and desire for complete streets in Milwaukee*
- e. *Milwaukee Goals*
- i. *Maximize comfort, safety, needs*
- ii. *Encourage walking, biking, transit*
- iii. *Apply policy to all phases of the project*
- iv. *Pedestrian safety is the top priority*
- v. *Equitable investment*
- vi. *Enhancing community connectedness*
- vii. *Engage with community stakeholders*
- f. *Questions*
- i. *Ted – what triggers a complete street redesign and how long will it take to reach city-wide*
 - 1. *Any street project should trigger this process, but ensuring uptake and execution by all city departments/personnel has been process*
- ii. *Kevin – Major reconstruction projects were given as examples, is there potential for lighter, faster implementation to increase pace*
 - 1. *Grants help with larger projects but do take time*
 - 2. *High impact repaving is being included*
 - 3. *Rapid implementation examples – cheaper, faster painted bump outs with plastic bollards.*
- a. *Survey results show positive improvement*
- iii. *Erick – many of the main roads/arterial state highways people think of are not under city control, how open is the state/county to complete street changes to their plans.*
 - 1. *Regulations at the state level impact level of changes that can be made. Pushing state for new regulations could be potential outcome of the workgroup*
- iv. *Celia – Any background on why State repealed Complete streets in 2015? – West Allis state representative pushed it. Had concerns about National Ave.*
- v. *Celia – how is complete streets pushing message of reducing car use/dependency?*
 - 1. *Conversations happen within groups working on these projects but the city isn't necessarily pushing this message*
 - 2. *This is a policy, not law/ordinance – but Complete Streets is creating a handbook where message could be included.*
 - a. *Marketing and outreach will happen with this handbook*
 - 3. *Reframing message at health outcomes of travel*
- vi. *Ted – what can taskforce do to increase uptake of program, remove barriers, etc*
- vii. *Celia – community outreach*

7. Review Brainstorm of Potential Big Ideas

- a. *Ted – encourage review and add any ideas that need to be discussed in subgroups*
- b. *Jennifer – how often will spreadsheet be reviewed*
- i. *Ted & Matt – spreadsheet will be starting point for subgroup discussions*

8. Work Group Process – Agreement Method and Planning Template

- a. *Consensus process – approved by group*

- b. Flowchart for policy evaluation – using template as a checklist as a way to narrow down policies but can be fleshed out more later*
- c. Discussion of Racial Equity and how to evaluate policy impact –*
 - i. Definition from task force still needed*
 - ii. Evaluation of strategies based on how they can be equitably implemented*
 - iii. Criteria/ definition of Equity can be discussed and will form as the group moves forward*
 - iv. Policies need to start being narrowed down now but full evaluation of criteria (including Equity) will be more in depth later on.*

9. Public Questions or Comments – Up to 2 minutes per speaker

10. Next Meeting Date

11. Adjourn (Time)

12:28 P.M.

Minutes provided by Ted Kraig